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(54) **STOMACH CANCER DETECTION KIT OR DEVICE, AND DETECTION METHOD**

(57) This invention relates to a kit or a device for the detection of stomach cancer and a method for detecting stomach cancer, and provides a kit or a device for the detection of stomach cancer, comprising a nucleic acid(s)

capable of specifically binding to a miRNA(s) in a sample from a subject, and a method for detecting stomach cancer, comprising measuring the miRNA(s) *in vitro*.

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Description

Technical Field

5 **[0001]** The present invention relates to a kit or a device for the detection of stomach cancer, comprising a nucleic acid(s) capable of specifically binding to a particular miRNA(s), which is used for examining the presence or absence of stomach cancer in a subject, and a method for detecting stomach cancer, comprising measuring an expression level(s) of the miRNA(s) using the nucleic acid.

10 Background Art

[0002] The stomach is a sac-like digestive organ connected to the esophagus. The stomach temporarily stores food from the esophagus and plays a role in the first step of digestion by secreting gastric juice. The stomach is divided into the cardiac end located around the inlet leading to the esophagus, the pyloric end located around the outlet leading to the duodenum, and the other site called the gastric corpus (Non-Patent Literature 1). According to the statistics of the number of cancer type-specific incidences and deaths in Japan disclosed by the Center for Cancer Control and Information Services, National Cancer Center, estimated 125,730 individuals in total involving 86,728 males and 39,002 females were affected by stomach cancer in 2010. The number of stomach cancer deaths was a total of 49,129 people involving 32,206 males and 16,923 females in 2012. Thus, stomach cancer was the second leading cause of cancer death in Japan. Also, 22,220 Americans were affected by stomach cancer in 2014, among which 10,990 people would die of stomach cancer (Non-Patent Literature 1).

[0003] The stages of stomach cancer progression are defined in Non-Patent Literature 2 and classified into stages 0, IA, IB, IIA, IIB, IIIA, IIIB, IIIC, and IV according to tumor size, infiltration, lymph node metastasis, distant metastasis, etc. The 5-year relative survival rate of stomach cancer largely depends on the stages of cancer progression and is reportedly 57 to 71% for stage I, 33 to 46% for stage II, 9 to 20% for stage III, and 4% for stage IV (Non-Patent Literature 1). Thus, the early detection of stomach cancer leads to improvement in the survival rate. Therefore, an approach that enables early detection is strongly desired.

[0004] The treatment of stomach cancer is performed by the combined use of surgical therapy, drug therapy, and radiotherapy. Particularly, in very early stomach cancer under no suspicion of lymph node metastasis, endoscopic mucosal resection (EMR) or endoscopic submucosal dissection (ESD) is often applicable and the cancer can thus be treated without any burden on patients.

[0005] With the aim of detecting stomach cancer early, Japanese men and women aged 40 or older are recommended to take stomach cancer screening once a year. The efficacy of "gastric X-ray examination" as a method for stomach cancer screening has been shown. When detailed examination is required as a result of X-ray examination, gastroscopy is carried out. Alternatively, diagnostic imaging such as CT, PET, or MRI is also utilized for detecting stomach cancer (Non-Patent Literature 1).

[0006] On the other hand, no blood marker has been established for the screening of stomach cancer. Although the association of protein tumor markers such as CEA and CA19-9 in serum with stomach cancer has been suggested (Non-Patent Literature 3), there is no enough evidence to recommend using these markers for the purpose of screening. Meanwhile, as shown in Patent Literatures 1 to 3, there are reports, albeit at a research stage, on the detection of stomach cancer using the expression levels of microRNAs (miRNAs) or combinations of the expression levels of miRNAs and the expression levels of additional protein markers in biological samples including blood.

[0007] Patent Literature 1 discloses a method for detecting cancers including stomach cancer using hsa-miR-125a-3p in blood.

45 **[0008]** Patent Literature 2 discloses a method for detecting stomach cancer using hsa-miR-23a-3p, miR-92-1, and miR-92-2 (miR-92a-1-3p and miR-92a-2-3p) and also using miR-128b (miR-128-2-3p), miR-30c (miR-30c-5p), miR-135-1, miR-135-2 (miR-135a-5p), and miR-149 (miR-149-5p), and other miRNAs in blood or tissues.

[0009] Patent Literature 3 discloses a method for detecting stomach cancer using hsa-miR-451 and 468 (hsa-miR-468-5p) in blood.

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Citation List

Patent Literature

55 **[0010]**

Patent Literature 1: International Publication No. WO 2010/062706

Patent Literature 2: JP Patent Publication (Kokai) No. 2014-060993 A (2014)

Patent Literature 3: JP Patent Publication (Kokai) No. 2013-085542 A (2013)

Non-Patent Literature

[0011]

Non-Patent Literature 1: American Cancer Society, "Stomach Cancer", 2013, p. 3, 6, and 18 to 20, <http://www.cancer.org/acs/groups/cid/documents/webcontent/003141-pdf.pdf>

Non-Patent Literature 2: Sobin, L. et al, "TNM Classification of Malignant Tumours, the 7th edition, Japanese version", 2010, p. 69 to 73

Non-Patent Literature 3: Kim, H.J. et al., Acta Oncologica, 2009, Vol. 48, p. 385 to 390

Summary of Invention

Technical Problem

[0012] An object of the present invention is to find a novel tumor marker(s) for stomach cancer and to provide a method that can effectively detect stomach cancer using a nucleic acid(s) capable of specifically binding to the marker(s). Primary tests of stomach cancer include imaging tests such as gastric X-ray examination, which is routinely used in Japan, as well as CT, PET, and MRI (Non-Patent Literature 1). In Japan, however, stomach cancer is still the second leading cause of cancer death. Thus, the imaging tests cannot always work as a deterrent against stomach cancer death.

[0013] For example, CEA and CA19-9 are known as tumor markers for the detection of stomach cancer. In general, as shown in Non-Patent Literature 3, 5 ng/mL for CEA and 37 U/mL for CA19-9 are used as reference values. Although these tumor markers may be helpful in confirming the recurrence of or therapeutic effects on stomach cancer, their expression very rarely elevates in early stomach cancer. Therefore, these markers may not be useful for the purpose of stomach cancer screening. The tumor markers such as CEA and CA19-9 may also elevate for reasons other than those due to stomach cancer. Therefore, these markers alone allegedly fail to determine the presence or absence of stomach cancer. The false diagnosis of other cancers as stomach cancer wastes appropriate therapeutic opportunity or places unnecessary economical and physical burdens on patients due to the application of wrong medicine.

[0014] As described below, there are reports, albeit at a research stage, on the determination of stomach cancer using the expression levels of microRNAs (miRNAs) in biological samples including blood, none of which, however, have yet been brought into practical use.

[0015] Patent Literature 1 discloses a method for detecting cancers including stomach cancer using hsa-miR-125a-3p and other miRNAs in blood. This detection method, however, does not describe specific detection performance such as accuracy, sensitivity, or specificity for determining stomach cancer and is thus industrially less practical.

[0016] Patent Literature 2 discloses a method for detecting stomach cancer using hsa-miR-23a-3p, miR-92-1, and miR-92-2 (miR-92a-1-3p and miR-92a-2-3p) and further using miR-128 (miR-128-2-5p), miR-30c (miR-30c-5p), miR-135-1, miR-135-2 (miR-135a-5p), miR-149 (miR-149-5p), and other miRNAs in blood or tissues.

[0017] Among them, hsa-miR-23a-3p, miR-92-1, and miR-92-2 (miR-92a-1-3p and miR-92a-2-3p) are particularly described as miRNAs for detecting stomach cancer. According to the description therein, these markers in blood, however, were not validated, and specific detection examples were given for miRNAs in tissues. This is not an easy screening test. Therefore, this detection method is industrially less practical.

[0018] As mentioned above, the existing tumor markers exhibit low performance in the detection of stomach cancer, or neither detection methods nor performance is specifically shown as to the markers at a research stage. Therefore, use of these markers might lead to carrying out needless extra examination due to the false detection of healthy subjects as being stomach cancer patients, or might waste therapeutic opportunity because of overlooking stomach cancer patients. In addition, the measurement of dozens to several hundreds of miRNAs increases examination cost and is therefore difficult to use in large-scale screening for medical checkup, etc. Furthermore, the collection of gastric tissues for measuring the tumor markers is highly invasive to patients and is not favorable. Hence, there is a demand for a highly accurate stomach cancer marker that is detectable from blood, which can be collected with limited invasiveness, and is capable of correctly discriminating a stomach cancer patient from a healthy subject. Particularly, screening based on an imaging test, such as gastric X-ray examination, which is currently carried out for the early detection of stomach cancer, presents problems associated with radiation exposure, high cost, etc. Therefore, the provision of a more convenient primary screening test of stomach cancer probably leads to benefits to subjects and the health service.

Solution to Problem

[0019] The present inventors have conducted diligent studies to attain the object and consequently completed the

present invention by finding multiple genes usable as markers for the detection of stomach cancer from blood, which can be collected with limited invasiveness, and finding that stomach cancer can be significantly detected by using a nucleic acid(s) capable of specifically binding to any of these markers.

5 <Summary of Invention>

[0020] Specifically, the present invention has the following features:

(1) A kit for the detection of stomach cancer, comprising a nucleic acid(s) capable of specifically binding to at least one or more polynucleotides selected from the group consisting of the following stomach cancer markers: miR-4257, miR-6726-5p, miR-1343-3p, miR-1247-3p, miR-6787-5p, miR-6875-5p, miR-1225-3p, miR-8063, miR-6781-5p, miR-4746-3p, miR-1908-5p, miR-6756-5p, miR-204-3p, miR-4651, miR-6757-5p, miR-6825-5p, miR-7108-5p, miR-4792, miR-7641, miR-3188, miR-3131, miR-6780b-5p, miR-8069, miR-6840-3p, miR-8072, miR-1233-5p, miR-6887-5p, miR-1231, miR-5572, miR-6738-5p, miR-6784-5p, miR-6791-5p, miR-6749-5p, miR-6741-5p, miR-128-1-5p, miR-4419b, miR-6746-5p, miR-3184-5p, miR-3679-5p, miR-7110-5p, miR-4516, miR-6717-5p, miR-6826-5p, miR-4433b-3p, miR-3679-3p, miR-3135b, miR-3622a-5p, miR-711, miR-4467, miR-6857-5p, miR-6515-3p, miR-1225-5p, miR-187-5p, miR-3185, miR-642b-3p, miR-1249, miR-744-5p, miR-4442, miR-1228-3p, miR-939-5p, miR-6845-5p, miR-887-3p, miR-7845-5p, miR-6729-5p, miR-4632-5p, miR-615-5p, miR-6724-5p, miR-4728-5p, miR-6732-5p, miR-6816-5p, miR-4695-5p, miR-6088, miR-7975, miR-3197, miR-6125, miR-4433-3p, miR-6727-5p, miR-4706, miR-7847-3p, miR-6805-3p, miR-6766-3p, miR-1913, miR-4649-5p, miR-602, miR-3663-3p, miR-6893-5p, miR-6861-5p, miR-4449, miR-6842-5p, miR-4454, miR-5195-3p, miR-663b, miR-6765-5p, miR-4513, miR-614, miR-6785-5p, miR-6777-5p, miR-940, miR-4741, miR-6870-5p, miR-6131, miR-150-3p, miR-4707-5p, miR-1915-3p, miR-3937, miR-937-5p, miR-4443, miR-1914-3p, miR-3620-5p, miR-1268b, miR-1227-5p, miR-6880-5p, miR-4417, miR-6802-5p, miR-6769a-5p, miR-663a, miR-6721-5p, miR-4532, miR-7977, miR-92b-5p, miR-371a-5p, miR-6126, miR-4734, miR-4665-3p, miR-423-5p, miR-1469, miR-4675, miR-1915-5p, miR-6716-5p, miR-718, miR-4281, miR-6820-5p, miR-6795-5p, miR-6779-5p, miR-7109-5p, miR-6798-5p, miR-4648, miR-8059, miR-6765-3p, miR-6132, miR-4492, miR-7107-5p, miR-3195, miR-3180, miR-296-3p, miR-564, miR-1268a, miR-6848-5p, miR-762, miR-2861, miR-1203, miR-1260b, miR-4476, miR-6885-5p, miR-6769b-5p, miR-23b-3p, miR-1343-5p, miR-3621, miR-4688, miR-4286, miR-4640-5p, miR-4739, miR-1260a, miR-4276, miR-7106-5p, miR-6794-5p, miR-6774-5p, miR-4707-3p, miR-4534, miR-4294, miR-6850-5p, miR-6089 and miR-671-5p.

(2) The kit according to (1), wherein miR-4257 is hsa-miR-4257, miR-6726-5p is hsa-miR-6726-5p, miR-1343-3p is hsa-miR-1343-3p, miR-1247-3p is hsa-miR-1247-3p, miR-6787-5p is hsa-miR-6787-5p, miR-6875-5p is hsa-miR-6875-5p, miR-1225-3p is hsa-miR-1225-3p, miR-8063 is hsa-miR-8063, miR-6781-5p is hsa-miR-6781-5p, miR-4746-3p is hsa-miR-4746-3p, miR-1908-5p is hsa-miR-1908-5p, miR-6756-5p is hsa-miR-6756-5p, miR-204-3p is hsa-miR-204-3p, miR-4651 is hsa-miR-4651, miR-6757-5p is hsa-miR-6757-5p, miR-6825-5p is hsa-miR-6825-5p, miR-7108-5p is hsa-miR-7108-5p, miR-4792 is hsa-miR-4792, miR-7641 is hsa-miR-7641, miR-3188 is hsa-miR-3188, miR-3131 is hsa-miR-3131, miR-6780b-5p is hsa-miR-6780b-5p, miR-8069 is hsa-miR-8069, miR-6840-3p is hsa-miR-6840-3p, miR-8072 is hsa-miR-8072, miR-1233-5p is hsa-miR-1233-5p, miR-6887-5p is hsa-miR-6887-5p, miR-1231 is hsa-miR-1231, miR-5572 is hsa-miR-5572, miR-6738-5p is hsa-miR-6738-5p, miR-6784-5p is hsa-miR-6784-5p, miR-6791-5p is hsa-miR-6791-5p, miR-6749-5p is hsa-miR-6749-5p, miR-6741-5p is hsa-miR-6741-5p, miR-128-1-5p is hsa-miR-128-1-5p, miR-4419b is hsa-miR-4419b, miR-6746-5p is hsa-miR-6746-5p, miR-3184-5p is hsa-miR-3184-5p, miR-3679-5p is hsa-miR-3679-5p, miR-7110-5p is hsa-miR-7110-5p, miR-4516 is hsa-miR-4516, miR-6717-5p is hsa-miR-6717-5p, miR-6826-5p is hsa-miR-6826-5p, miR-4433b-3p is hsa-miR-4433b-3p, miR-3679-3p is hsa-miR-3679-3p, miR-3135b is hsa-miR-3135b, miR-3622a-5p is hsa-miR-3622a-5p, miR-711 is hsa-miR-711, miR-4467 is hsa-miR-4467, miR-6857-5p is hsa-miR-6857-5p, miR-6515-3p is hsa-miR-6515-3p, miR-1225-5p is hsa-miR-1225-5p, miR-187-5p is hsa-miR-187-5p, miR-3185 is hsa-miR-3185, miR-642b-3p is hsa-miR-642b-3p, miR-1249 is hsa-miR-1249, miR-744-5p is hsa-miR-744-5p, miR-4442 is hsa-miR-4442, miR-1228-3p is hsa-miR-1228-3p, miR-939-5p is hsa-miR-939-5p, miR-6845-5p is hsa-miR-6845-5p, miR-887-3p is hsa-miR-887-3p, miR-7845-5p is hsa-miR-7845-5p, miR-6729-5p is hsa-miR-6729-5p, miR-4632-5p is hsa-miR-4632-5p, miR-615-5p is hsa-miR-615-5p, miR-6724-5p is hsa-miR-6724-5p, miR-4728-5p is hsa-miR-4728-5p, miR-6732-5p is hsa-miR-6732-5p, miR-6816-5p is hsa-miR-6816-5p, miR-4695-5p is hsa-miR-4695-5p, miR-6088 is hsa-miR-6088, miR-7975 is hsa-miR-7975, miR-3197 is hsa-miR-3197, miR-6125 is hsa-miR-6125, miR-4433-3p is hsa-miR-4433-3p, miR-6727-5p is hsa-miR-6727-5p, miR-4706 is hsa-miR-4706, miR-7847-3p is hsa-miR-7847-3p, miR-6805-3p is hsa-miR-6805-3p, miR-6766-3p is hsa-miR-6766-3p, miR-1913 is hsa-miR-1913, miR-4649-5p is hsa-miR-4649-5p, miR-602 is hsa-miR-602, miR-3663-3p is hsa-miR-3663-3p, miR-6893-5p is hsa-miR-6893-5p, miR-6861-5p is hsa-miR-6861-5p, miR-4449 is hsa-miR-4449, miR-6842-5p is hsa-miR-6842-5p, miR-4454 is hsa-miR-4454, miR-5195-3p is hsa-miR-5195-3p, miR-663b is hsa-miR-663b, miR-6765-5p is hsa-miR-

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(3) The kit according to (1) or (2), wherein the nucleic acid is a polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of the following polynucleotides (a) to (e):

(a) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(b) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642,

(c) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(d) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, and

(e) a polynucleotide hybridizing under stringent conditions to any of the polynucleotides (a) to (d).

(4) The kit according to any of (1) to (3), wherein the kit further comprises a nucleic acid(s) capable of specifically binding to at least one or more polynucleotides selected from the group consisting of the following other stomach cancer markers: miR-128-2-5p, miR-125a-3p, miR-92a-2-5p, and miR-486-3p.

(5) The kit according to (4), wherein miR-128-2-5p is hsa-miR-128-2-5p, miR-125a-3p is hsa-miR-125a-3p, miR-92a-2-5p is hsa-miR-92a-2-5p, and miR-486-3p is hsa-miR-486-3p.

(6) The kit according to (4) or (5), wherein the nucleic acid is a polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of the following polynucleotides (f) to (j):

(f) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(g) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169,

(h) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(i) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the

replacement of u with t, and

(j) a polynucleotide hybridizing under stringent conditions to any of the polynucleotides (f) to (i).

(7) The kit according to any of (1) to (6), wherein the kit further comprises a nucleic acid(s) capable of specifically binding to at least one or more polynucleotides selected from the group consisting of the following other stomach cancer markers: miR-3196, miR-211-3p, miR-4271, miR-6851-5p, miR-149-3p, miR-4667-5p, miR-135a-3p, miR-4486, miR-4697-5p, miR-4725-3p, miR-6510-5p, miR-5001-5p, miR-4673, miR-4466, miR-23a-3p, miR-3656, miR-6782-5p, miR-4689, miR-451a, miR-4446-3p, miR-3180-3p, miR-642a-3p, miR-6889-5p, miR-3178, miR-4665-5p, miR-6722-3p, miR-30c-1-3p, miR-4507, miR-3141 and miR-1199-5p.

(8) The kit according to (7), wherein miR-3196 is hsa-miR-3196, miR-211-3p is hsa-miR-211-3p, miR-4271 is hsa-miR-4271, miR-6851-5p is hsa-miR-6851-5p, miR-149-3p is hsa-miR-149-3p, miR-4667-5p is hsa-miR-4667-5p, miR-135a-3p is hsa-miR-135a-3p, miR-4486 is hsa-miR-4486, miR-4697-5p is hsa-miR-4697-5p, miR-4725-3p is hsa-miR-4725-3p, miR-6510-5p is hsa-miR-6510-5p, miR-5001-5p is hsa-miR-5001-5p, miR-4673 is hsa-miR-4673, miR-4466 is hsa-miR-4466, miR-23a-3p is hsa-miR-23a-3p, miR-3656 is hsa-miR-3656, miR-6782-5p is hsa-miR-6782-5p, miR-4689 is hsa-miR-4689, miR-451a is hsa-miR-451a, miR-4446-3p is hsa-miR-4446-3p, miR-3180-3p is hsa-miR-3180-3p, miR-642a-3p is hsa-miR-642a-3p, miR-6889-5p is hsa-miR-6889-5p, miR-3178 is hsa-miR-3178, miR-4665-5p is hsa-miR-4665-5p, miR-6722-3p is hsa-miR-6722-3p, miR-30c-1-3p is hsa-miR-30c-1-3p, miR-4507 is hsa-miR-4507, miR-3141 is hsa-miR-3141, and miR-1199-5p is hsa-miR-1199-5p.

(9) The kit according to (7) or (8), wherein the nucleic acid is a polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of the following polynucleotides (k) to (o):

(k) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(1) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199,

(m) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(n) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, and

(o) a polynucleotide hybridizing under stringent conditions to any of the polynucleotides (k) to (n).

(10) The kit according to any one of (1) to (9), wherein the kit comprises at least two or more nucleic acids capable of specifically binding to at least two or more polynucleotides, respectively, selected from all of the stomach cancer markers according to (1) or (2).

(11) A device for the detection of stomach cancer, comprising a nucleic acid(s) capable of specifically binding to at least one or more polynucleotides selected from the group consisting of the following stomach cancer markers: miR-4257, miR-6726-5p, miR-1343-3p, miR-1247-3p, miR-6787-5p, miR-6875-5p, miR-1225-3p, miR-8063, miR-6781-5p, miR-4746-3p, miR-1908-5p, miR-6756-5p, miR-204-3p, miR-4651, miR-6757-5p, miR-6825-5p, miR-7108-5p, miR-4792, miR-7641, miR-3188, miR-3131, miR-6780b-5p, miR-8069, miR-6840-3p, miR-8072, miR-1233-5p, miR-6887-5p, miR-1231, miR-5572, miR-6738-5p, miR-6784-5p, miR-6791-5p, miR-6749-5p, miR-6741-5p, miR-128-1-5p, miR-4419b, miR-6746-5p, miR-3184-5p, miR-3679-5p, miR-7110-5p, miR-4516, miR-6717-5p, miR-6826-5p, miR-4433b-3p, miR-3679-3p, miR-3135b, miR-3622a-5p, miR-711, miR-4467, miR-6857-5p, miR-6515-3p, miR-1225-5p, miR-187-5p, miR-3185, miR-642b-3p, miR-1249, miR-744-5p, miR-4442, miR-1228-3p, miR-939-5p, miR-6845-5p, miR-887-3p, miR-7845-5p, miR-6729-5p, miR-4632-5p, miR-615-5p, miR-6724-5p, miR-4728-5p, miR-6732-5p, miR-6816-5p, miR-4695-5p, miR-6088, miR-7975, miR-3197, miR-6125, miR-4433-3p, miR-6727-5p, miR-4706, miR-7847-3p, miR-6805-3p, miR-6766-3p, miR-1913, miR-4649-5p, miR-602, miR-3663-3p, miR-6893-5p, miR-6861-5p, miR-4449, miR-6842-5p, miR-4454, miR-5195-3p, miR-663b, miR-6765-5p, miR-4513, miR-614, miR-6785-5p, miR-6777-5p, miR-940, miR-4741, miR-6870-5p, miR-6131, miR-150-3p, miR-4707-5p, miR-1915-3p, miR-3937, miR-937-5p, miR-4443, miR-1914-3p, miR-3620-5p, miR-1268b, miR-1227-5p, miR-6880-5p, miR-4417, miR-6802-5p, miR-6769a-5p, miR-663a, miR-6721-5p, miR-4532, miR-7977, miR-92b-5p, miR-371a-5p, miR-6126, miR-4734, miR-4665-3p, miR-423-5p, miR-1469, miR-4675, miR-1915-5p, miR-6716-5p, miR-718, miR-4281, miR-6820-5p, miR-6795-5p, miR-6779-5p, miR-7109-5p, miR-6798-5p, miR-4648, miR-8059, miR-6765-3p, miR-6132, miR-4492, miR-7107-5p, miR-3195, miR-3180, miR-296-3p, miR-564, miR-1268a, miR-6848-5p, miR-762, miR-2861, miR-1203, miR-1260b, miR-4476, miR-6885-5p, miR-6769b-5p, miR-23b-3p, miR-1343-5p, miR-3621, miR-4688, miR-4286, miR-4640-5p, miR-4739, miR-1260a, miR-4276,

miR-7106-5p, miR-6794-5p, miR-6774-5p, miR-4707-3p, miR-4534, miR-4294, miR-6850-5p, miR-6089 and miR-671-5p.

(12) The device according to (11), wherein miR-4257 is hsa-miR-4257, miR-6726-5p is hsa-miR-6726-5p, miR-1343-3p is hsa-miR-1343-3p, miR-1247-3p is hsa-miR-1247-3p, miR-6787-5p is hsa-miR-6787-5p, miR-6875-5p is hsa-miR-6875-5p, miR-1225-3p is hsa-miR-1225-3p, miR-8063 is hsa-miR-8063, miR-6781-5p is hsa-miR-6781-5p, miR-4746-3p is hsa-miR-4746-3p, miR-1908-5p is hsa-miR-1908-5p, miR-6756-5p is hsa-miR-6756-5p, miR-204-3p is hsa-miR-204-3p, miR-4651 is hsa-miR-4651, miR-6757-5p is hsa-miR-6757-5p, miR-6825-5p is hsa-miR-6825-5p, miR-7108-5p is hsa-miR-7108-5p, miR-4792 is hsa-miR-4792, miR-7641 is hsa-miR-7641, miR-3188 is hsa-miR-3188, miR-3131 is hsa-miR-3131, miR-6780b-5p is hsa-miR-6780b-5p, miR-8069 is hsa-miR-8069, miR-6840-3p is hsa-miR-6840-3p, miR-8072 is hsa-miR-8072, miR-1233-5p is hsa-miR-1233-5p, miR-6887-5p is hsa-miR-6887-5p, miR-1231 is hsa-miR-1231, miR-5572 is hsa-miR-5572, miR-6738-5p is hsa-miR-6738-5p, miR-6784-5p is hsa-miR-6784-5p, miR-6791-5p is hsa-miR-6791-5p, 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miR-4707-3p is hsa-miR-4707-3p, miR-4534 is hsa-miR-4534, miR-4294 is hsa-miR-4294, miR-6850-5p is hsa-miR-6850-5p, miR-6089 is hsa-miR-6089, and miR-671-5p is hsa-miR-671-5p.

(13) The device according to (11) or (12), wherein the nucleic acid is a polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of the following polynucleotides (a) to (e):

- (a) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(b) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642,

(c) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(d) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, and

(e) a polynucleotide hybridizing under stringent conditions to any of the polynucleotides (a) to (d).

(14) The device according to any of (11) to (13), wherein the device further comprises a nucleic acid(s) capable of specifically binding to at least one or more polynucleotides selected from the group consisting of the following other stomach cancer markers: miR-128-2-5p, miR-125a-3p, miR-92a-2-5p, and miR-486-3p.

(15) The device according to (14), wherein miR-128-2-5p is hsa-miR-128-2-5p, miR-125a-3p is hsa-miR-125a-3p, miR-92a-2-5p is hsa-miR-92a-2-5p, and miR-486-3p is hsa-miR-486-3p.

(16) The device according to (14) or (15), wherein the nucleic acid is a polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of the following polynucleotides (f) to (j):

(f) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(g) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169,

(h) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(i) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, and

(j) a polynucleotide hybridizing under stringent conditions to any of the polynucleotides (f) to (i).

(17) The device according to any of (11) to (16), wherein the device further comprises a nucleic acid(s) capable of specifically binding to at least one or more polynucleotides selected from the group consisting of the following other stomach cancer markers: miR-3196, miR-211-3p, miR-4271, miR-6851-5p, miR-149-3p, miR-4667-5p, miR-135a-3p, miR-4486, miR-4697-5p, miR-4725-3p, miR-6510-5p, miR-5001-5p, miR-4673, miR-4466, miR-23a-3p, miR-3656, miR-6782-5p, miR-4689, miR-451a, miR-4446-3p, miR-3180-3p, miR-642a-3p, miR-6889-5p, miR-3178, miR-4665-5p, miR-6722-3p, miR-30c-1-3p, miR-4507, miR-3141 and miR-1199-5p.

(18) The device according to (17), wherein miR-3196 is hsa-miR-3196, miR-211-3p is hsa-miR-211-3p, miR-4271 is hsa-miR-4271, miR-6851-5p is hsa-miR-6851-5p, miR-149-3p is hsa-miR-149-3p, miR-4667-5p is hsa-miR-4667-5p, miR-135a-3p is hsa-miR-135a-3p, miR-4486 is hsa-miR-4486, miR-4697-5p is hsa-miR-4697-5p, miR-4725-3p is hsa-miR-4725-3p, miR-6510-5p is hsa-miR-6510-5p, miR-5001-5p is hsa-miR-5001-5p, miR-4673 is hsa-miR-4673, miR-4466 is hsa-miR-4466, miR-23a-3p is hsa-miR-23a-3p, miR-3656 is hsa-miR-3656, miR-6782-5p is hsa-miR-6782-5p, miR-4689 is hsa-miR-4689, miR-451a is hsa-miR-451a, miR-4446-3p is hsa-miR-4446-3p, miR-3180-3p is hsa-miR-3180-3p, miR-642a-3p is hsa-miR-642a-3p, miR-6889-5p is hsa-miR-6889-5p, miR-3178 is hsa-miR-3178, miR-4665-5p is hsa-miR-4665-5p, miR-6722-3p is hsa-miR-6722-3p, miR-30c-1-3p is hsa-miR-30c-1-3p, miR-4507 is hsa-miR-4507, miR-3141 is hsa-miR-3141, and miR-1199-5p is hsa-miR-1199-5p.

(19) The device according to (17) or (18), wherein the nucleic acid is a polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of the following polynucleotides (k) to (o):

(k) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(l) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199,

(m) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

- (n) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 177 to 199 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, and
 (o) a polynucleotide hybridizing under stringent conditions to any of the polynucleotides (k) to (n).

(20) The device according to any one of (11) to (19), wherein the device is for measurement based on a hybridization technique.

(21) The device according to (20), wherein the hybridization technique is a nucleic acid array technique.

(22) The device according to any one of (11) to (21), wherein the device comprises at least two or more nucleic acids capable of specifically binding to at least two or more polynucleotides, respectively, selected from all of the stomach cancer markers according to (11) or (12).

(23) A method for detecting stomach cancer, comprising measuring an expression level(s) of a target nucleic acid(s) in a sample from a subject using the kit according to any one of (1) to (10) or the device according to any one of (11) to (22), and evaluating *in vitro* whether or not the subject has stomach cancer using both of the measured expression level(s) and a control expression level(s) in a sample from a healthy subject measured in the same way.

(24) The method according to (23), wherein the subject is a human.

(25) The method according to (23) or (24), wherein the sample is blood, serum, or plasma.

<Definition of Terms>

[0021] The terms used herein are defined as follows.

[0022] Abbreviations or terms such as nucleotide, polynucleotide, DNA, and RNA abide by "Guidelines for the preparation of specification which contain nucleotide and/or amino acid sequences" (edited by Japan Patent Office) and common use in the art.

[0023] The term "polynucleotide" used herein refers to a nucleic acid including all of RNA, DNA, and RNA/DNA (chimera). The DNA includes any of cDNA, genomic DNA, and synthetic DNA. The RNA includes any of total RNA, mRNA, rRNA, miRNA, siRNA, snoRNA, snRNA, non-coding RNA and synthetic RNA. Herein, the "synthetic DNA" and the "synthetic RNA" refer to DNA and RNA artificially prepared using, for example, an automatic nucleic acid synthesizer, on the basis of predetermined nucleotide sequences (which may be any of natural and non-natural sequences). The "non-natural sequence" is intended to be used in a broad sense and includes, for example, a sequence containing substitution, deletion, insertion, and/or addition of one or more nucleotides (i.e., a variant sequence) and a sequence containing one or more modified nucleotides (i.e., a modified sequence), which are different from the natural sequence. Herein, the polynucleotide is used interchangeably with a nucleic acid.

[0024] The term "fragment" used herein is a polynucleotide having a nucleotide sequence having a consecutive portion of a polynucleotide and desirably has a length of 15 or more nucleotides, preferably 17 or more nucleotides, more preferably 19 or more nucleotides.

[0025] The term "gene" used herein is intended to include not only RNA and double-stranded DNA but also each single-stranded DNA such as a plus strand (or a sense strand) or a complementary strand (or an antisense strand) that constitutes a duplex. The gene is not particularly limited by its length.

[0026] Thus, herein, the "gene" includes any of double-stranded DNA including human genomic DNA, single-stranded DNA (plus strand) including cDNA, single-stranded DNA having a sequence complementary to the plus strand (complementary strand), microRNA (miRNA), and their fragments, and their transcripts, unless otherwise specified. The "gene" includes not only a "gene" represented by a particular nucleotide sequence (or SEQ ID NO) but "nucleic acids" encoding RNAs having biological functions equivalent to RNA encoded by the gene, for example, a congener (i.e., a homolog or an ortholog), a variant (e.g., a genetic polymorph), and a derivative. Specific examples of such a "nucleic acid" encoding a congener, a variant, or a derivative can include a "nucleic acid" having a nucleotide sequence hybridizing under stringent conditions described later to a complementary sequence of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 657 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t. The "gene" is not particularly limited by its functional region and can contain, for example, an expression regulatory region(s), a coding region(s), an exon(s), or an intron(s). The "gene" may be contained in a cell or may exist alone after being released from a cell. Alternatively, the "gene" may be enclosed in a vesicle called exosome.

[0027] The term "exosome" used herein is a vesicle that is delimited by a lipid bilayer and secreted from a cell. The exosome is derived from a multivesicular endosome and may incorporate biomaterials such as a "gene" (e.g., RNA or DNA) or a protein when released into an extracellular environment. The exosome is known to be contained in a body fluid such as blood, serum, plasma, or lymph.

[0028] The term "transcript" used herein refers to an RNA synthesized from the DNA sequence of a gene as a template. RNA polymerase binds to a site called a promoter located upstream of the gene and adds ribonucleotides complementary to the nucleotide sequence of the DNA to the 3' end to synthesize RNA. This RNA contains not only the gene itself but

also the whole sequence from a transcription initiation site to the end of a polyA sequence, including an expression regulatory region, a coding region, an exon, or an intron.

[0029] Unless otherwise specified, the term "microRNA (miRNA)" used herein is intended to mean a 15- to 25-nucleotide non-coding RNA that is involved in the suppression of translation of mRNA, and that transcribed as an RNA precursor having a hairpin-like structure, cleaved by a dsRNA-cleaving enzyme which has RNase III cleavage activity, and integrated into a protein complex called RISC. The term "miRNA" used herein includes not only a "miRNA" represented by a particular nucleotide sequence (or SEQ ID NO) but a precursor of the "miRNA" (pre-miRNA or pri-miRNA), and miRNAs having biological functions equivalent thereto, for example, a congener (i.e., a homolog or an ortholog), a variant (e.g., a genetic polymorph), and a derivative. Such a precursor, a congener, a variant, or a derivative can be specifically identified using miRBase Release 20 (<http://www.mirbase.org/>), and examples thereof can include a "miRNA" having a nucleotide sequence hybridizing under stringent conditions described later to a complementary sequence of any particular nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 657. The term "miRNA" used herein may be a gene product of a miR gene. Such a gene product includes a mature miRNA (e.g., a 15- to 25-nucleotide or 19- to 25-nucleotide non-coding RNA involved in the suppression of translation of mRNA as described above) or a miRNA precursor (e.g., pre-miRNA or pri-miRNA as described above).

[0030] The term "probe" used herein includes a polynucleotide that is used for specifically detecting RNA resulting from the expression of a gene or a polynucleotide derived from the RNA, and/or a polynucleotide complementary thereto.

[0031] The term "primer" used herein includes a polynucleotide that specifically recognizes and amplifies RNA resulting from the expression of a gene or a polynucleotide derived from the RNA, and/or a polynucleotide complementary thereto.

[0032] In this context, the complementary polynucleotide (complementary strand or reverse strand) means a polynucleotide in a complementary relationship of A:T (U) and G:C base pairs with the full-length sequence of a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence defined by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 657 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, or a partial sequence thereof (here, this full-length or partial sequence is referred to as a plus strand for the sake of convenience). However, such a complementary strand is not limited to a sequence completely complementary to the nucleotide sequence of the target plus strand and may have a complementary relationship to an extent that permits hybridization under stringent conditions to the target plus strand.

[0033] The term "stringent conditions" used herein refers to conditions under which a nucleic acid probe hybridizes to its target sequence to a larger extent (e.g., a measurement value equal to or larger than "(a mean of background measurement values) + (a standard deviation of the background measurement values) x 2") than that for other sequences. The stringent conditions are dependent on a sequence and differ depending on an environment where hybridization is performed. A target sequence that is 100% complementary to the nucleic acid probe can be identified by controlling the stringency of hybridization and/or washing conditions. Specific examples of the "stringent conditions" will be mentioned later.

[0034] The term "T_m value" used herein means a temperature at which the double-stranded moiety of a polynucleotide is denatured into single strands so that the double strands and the single strands exist at a ratio of 1:1.

[0035] The term "variant" used herein means, in the case of a nucleic acid, a natural variant attributed to polymorphism, mutation, or the like; a variant containing the deletion, substitution, addition, or insertion of 1 or 2 or more nucleotides in a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 657 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, or a partial sequence thereof; a variant that exhibits percent (%) identity of approximately 90% or higher, approximately 95% or higher, approximately 97% or higher, approximately 98% or higher, approximately 99% or higher to each of these nucleotide sequences or the partial sequences thereof; or a nucleic acid hybridizing under the stringent conditions defined above to a polynucleotide or an oligonucleotide comprising each of these nucleotide sequences or the partial sequences thereof.

[0036] The term "several" used herein means an integer of approximately 10, 9, 8, 7, 6, 5, 4, 3, or 2.

[0037] The variant used herein can be prepared by use of a well-known technique such as site-directed mutagenesis or PCR-based mutagenesis.

[0038] The term "percent (%) identity" used herein can be determined with or without an introduced gap, using a protein or gene search system based on BLAST or FASTA described above (Zheng Zhang et al., 2000, J. Comput. Biol., Vol. 7, p. 203-214; Altschul, S.F. et al., 1990, Journal of Molecular Biology, Vol. 215, p. 403-410; and Pearson, W.R. et al., 1988, Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U. S. A., Vol. 85, p. 2444-2448).

[0039] The term "derivative" used herein is meant to include a modified nucleic acid, for example, a derivative labeled with a fluorophore or the like, a derivative containing a modified nucleotide (e.g., a nucleotide containing a group such as halogen, alkyl such as methyl, alkoxy such as methoxy, thio, or carboxymethyl, and a nucleotide that has undergone base rearrangement, double bond saturation, deamination, replacement of an oxygen molecule with a sulfur atom, etc.), PNA (peptide nucleic acid; Nielsen, P.E. et al., 1991, Science, Vol. 254, p. 1497-500), and LNA (locked nucleic acid; Obika, S. et al., 1998, Tetrahedron Lett., Vol. 39, p. 5401-5404) without any limitation.

[0040] The "nucleic acid" used herein capable of specifically binding to a polynucleotide selected from the stomach cancer marker miRNAs described above is a synthesized or prepared nucleic acid and specifically includes a "nucleic

acid probe" or a "primer". The "nucleic acid" is utilized directly or indirectly for detecting the presence or absence of stomach cancer in a subject, for diagnosing the presence or absence of stomach cancer, the severity of stomach cancer, the presence or absence of amelioration or the degree of amelioration of stomach cancer, or the therapeutic sensitivity of stomach cancer, or for screening for a candidate substance useful in the prevention, amelioration, or treatment of stomach cancer. The "nucleic acid" includes a nucleotide, an oligonucleotide, and a polynucleotide capable of specifically recognizing and binding to a transcript represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 657 or a synthetic cDNA nucleic acid thereof *in vivo*, particularly, in a sample such as a body fluid (e.g., blood or urine), in relation to the development of stomach cancer. The nucleotide, the oligonucleotide, and the polynucleotide can be effectively used as probes for detecting the aforementioned gene expressed *in vivo*, in tissues, in cells, or the like on the basis of the properties described above, or as primers for amplifying the aforementioned gene expressed *in vivo*.

[0041] The term "detection" used herein is interchangeable with the term "examination", "measurement", "detection", or "decision support". The term "evaluation" used herein is meant to include diagnosis or evaluation support on the basis of examination results or measurement results.

[0042] The term "subject" used herein means a mammal such as a primate including a human and a chimpanzee, a pet animal including a dog and a cat, a livestock animal including cattle, a horse, sheep, and a goat, and a rodent including a mouse and a rat. The term "healthy subject" also means such a mammal without the cancer to be detected.

[0043] The term "P" or "P value" used herein refers to a probability at which a more extreme statistic than that actually calculated from data under null hypothesis is observed in a statistical test. Thus, smaller "P" or "P value" is regarded as being a more significant difference between subjects to be compared.

[0044] The term "sensitivity" used herein means a value of (the number of true positives) / (the number of true positives + the number of false negatives). High sensitivity allows stomach cancer to be detected early, leading to the complete resection of cancer sites and reduction in the rate of recurrence.

[0045] The term "specificity" used herein means a value of (the number of true negatives) / (the number of true negatives + the number of false positives). High specificity prevents needless extra examination for healthy subjects misjudged as being stomach cancer patients, leading to reduction in burden on patients and reduction in medical expense.

[0046] The term "accuracy" used herein means a value of (the number of true positives + the number of true negatives) / (the total number of cases). The accuracy indicates the ratio of samples that identified correctly in the discriminant results to all samples, and serves as a primary index for evaluating detection performance.

[0047] The "sample" used herein that is subject to determination, detection, or diagnosis refers to a tissue and a biological material in which the expression of the gene of the present invention varies as stomach cancer develops, as stomach cancer progresses, or as therapeutic effects on stomach cancer are exerted. Specifically, the "sample" refers to a gastric tissue, a perigastric vascular channel, lymph node, and organ, an organ suspected of having metastasis, the skin, a body fluid such as blood, urine, saliva, sweat, or tissue exudates, serum or plasma prepared from blood, feces, hair, and the like. The "sample" further refers to a biological sample extracted therefrom, specifically, a gene such as RNA or miRNA.

[0048] The term "hsa-miR-4257 gene" or "hsa-miR-4257" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4257 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0016878) described in SEQ ID NO: 1, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4257 gene can be obtained by a method described in Goff LA et al., 2009, PLoS One, Vol. 4, e7192. Also, "hsa-mir-4257" (miRBase Accession No. MI0015856, SEQ ID NO: 200) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4257".

[0049] The term "hsa-miR-6726-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6726-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6726-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027353) described in SEQ ID NO: 2, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6726-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6726" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022571, SEQ ID NO: 201) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6726-5p".

[0050] The term "hsa-miR-1343-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-1343-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-1343-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019776) described in SEQ ID NO: 3, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-1343-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Persson H et al., 2011, Cancer Res, Vol. 71, p. 78-86. Also, "hsa-mir-1343" (miRBase Accession No. MI0017320, SEQ ID NO: 202) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-1343-3p".

[0051] The term "hsa-miR-1247-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-1247-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-1247-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0022721) described in SEQ ID NO: 4, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-1247-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Morin RD et al., 2008, Genome Res, Vol. 18, p. 610-621. Also, "hsa-mir-1247" (miRBase Accession No. MI0006382, SEQ ID NO: 203) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-1247-3p".

[0052] The term "hsa-miR-6787-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6787-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6787-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027474) described in SEQ ID NO: 5, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6787-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012,

Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6787" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022632, SEQ ID NO: 204) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6787-5p".

[0053] The term "hsa-miR-6875-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6875-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6875-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027650) described in SEQ ID NO: 6, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6875-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6875" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022722, SEQ ID NO: 205) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6875-5p".

[0054] The term "hsa-miR-1225-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-1225-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-1225-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0005573) described in SEQ ID NO: 7, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-1225-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Berezikov E et al., 2007, Mol Cell, Vol. 28, p. 328-336. Also, "hsa-mir-1225" (miRBase Accession No. MI0006311, SEQ ID NO: 206) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-1225-3p".

[0055] The term "hsa-miR-8063 gene" or "hsa-miR-8063" used herein includes the hsa-miR-8063 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0030990) described in SEQ ID NO: 8, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-8063 gene can be obtained by a method described in Wang HJ et al., 2013, Shock, Vol. 39, p. 480-487. Also, "hsa-mir-8063" (miRBase Accession No. MI0025899, SEQ ID NO: 207) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-8063".

[0056] The term "hsa-miR-6781-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6781-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6781-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027462) described in SEQ ID NO: 9, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6781-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6781" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022626, SEQ ID NO: 208) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6781-5p".

[0057] The term "hsa-miR-4746-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-4746-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4746-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019881) described in SEQ ID NO: 10, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4746-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Persson H et al., 2011, Cancer Res, Vol. 71, p. 78-86. Also, "hsa-mir-4746" (miRBase Accession No. MI0017385, SEQ ID NO: 209) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4746-3p".

[0058] The term "hsa-miR-1908-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-1908-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-1908-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0007881) described in SEQ ID NO: 11, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-1908-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Bar M et al., 2008, Stem Cells, Vol. 26, p. 2496-2505. Also, "hsa-mir-1908" (miRBase Accession No. MI0008329, SEQ ID NO: 210) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-1908-5p".

[0059] The term "hsa-miR-6756-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6756-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6756-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027412) described in SEQ ID NO: 12, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6756-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6756" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022601, SEQ ID NO: 211) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6756-5p".

[0060] The term "hsa-miR-204-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-204-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-204-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0022693) described in SEQ ID NO: 13, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-204-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Lim LP et al., 2003, Science, Vol. 299, p. 1540. Also, "hsa-mir-204" (miRBase Accession No. MI0000284, SEQ ID NO: 212) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-204-3p".

[0061] The term "hsa-miR-4651 gene" or "hsa-miR-4651" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4651 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019715) described in SEQ ID NO: 14, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4651 gene can be obtained by a method described in Persson H et al., 2011, Cancer Res, Vol. 71, p. 78-86. Also, "hsa-mir-4651" (miRBase Accession No. MI0017279, SEQ ID NO: 213) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4651".

[0062] The term "hsa-miR-6757-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6757-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6757-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027414) described in SEQ ID NO: 15, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6757-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6757" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022602, SEQ ID NO: 214) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6757-5p".

[0063] The term "hsa-miR-6825-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6825-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6825-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027550) described in SEQ ID NO: 16, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6825-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6825" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022670, SEQ ID NO: 215) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6825-5p".

[0064] The term "hsa-miR-7108-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-7108-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-7108-5p gene

(miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0028113) described in SEQ ID NO: 17, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-7108-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-7108" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022959, SEQ ID NO: 216) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-7108-5p".

[0065] The term "hsa-miR-4792 gene" or "hsa-miR-4792" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4792 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019964) described in SEQ ID NO: 18, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4792 gene can be obtained by a method described in Persson H et al., 2011, Cancer Res, Vol. 71, p. 78-86. Also, "hsa-mir-4792" (miRBase Accession No. MI0017439, SEQ ID NO: 217) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4792".

[0066] The term "hsa-miR-7641 gene" or "hsa-miR-7641" used herein includes the hsa-miR-7641 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0029782) described in SEQ ID NO: 19, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-7641 gene can be obtained by a method described in Yoo JK et al., 2013, Arch Pharm Res, Vol. 36, p. 353-358. Also, "hsa-mir-7641-1 and hsa-mir-7641-2" (miRBase Accession Nos. MI0024975 and MI0024976, SEQ ID NO: 218 and 219) having a hairpin-like structure are known as precursors of "hsa-miR-7641".

[0067] The term "hsa-miR-3188 gene" or "hsa-miR-3188" used herein includes the hsa-miR-3188 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0015070) described in SEQ ID NO: 20, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-3188 gene can be obtained by a method described in Stark MS et al., 2010, PLoS One, Vol. 5, e9685. Also, "hsa-mir-3188" (miRBase Accession No. MI0014232, SEQ ID NO: 220) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-3188".

[0068] The term "hsa-miR-3131 gene" or "hsa-miR-3131" used herein includes the hsa-miR-3131 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0014996) described in SEQ ID NO: 21, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-3131 gene can be obtained by a method described in Stark MS et al., 2010, PLoS One, Vol. 5, e9685. Also, "hsa-mir-3131" (miRBase Accession No. MI0014151, SEQ ID NO: 221) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-3131".

[0069] The term "hsa-miR-6780b-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6780b-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6780b-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027572) described in SEQ ID NO: 22, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6780b-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6780b" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022681, SEQ ID NO: 222) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6780b-5p".

[0070] The term "hsa-miR-8069 gene" or "hsa-miR-8069" used herein includes the hsa-miR-8069 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0030996) described in SEQ ID NO: 23, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-8069 gene can be obtained by a method described in Wang HJ et al., 2013, Shock, Vol. 39, p. 480-487. Also, "hsa-mir-8069" (miRBase Accession No. MI0025905, SEQ ID NO: 223) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-8069".

[0071] The term "hsa-miR-6840-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-6840-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6840-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027583) described in SEQ ID NO: 24, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6840-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6840" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022686, SEQ ID NO: 224) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6840-3p".

[0072] The term "hsa-miR-8072 gene" or "hsa-miR-8072" used herein includes the hsa-miR-8072 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0030999) described in SEQ ID NO: 25, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-8072 gene can be obtained by a method described in Wang HJ et al., 2013, Shock, Vol. 39, p. 480-487. Also, "hsa-mir-8072" (miRBase Accession No. MI0025908, SEQ ID NO: 225) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-8072".

[0073] The term "hsa-miR-1233-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-1233-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-1233-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0022943) described in SEQ ID NO: 26, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-1233-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Berezikov E et al., 2007, Mol Cell, Vol. 28, p. 328-336. Also, "hsa-mir-1233-1 and hsa-mir-1233-2" (miRBase Accession Nos. MI0006323 and MI0015973, SEQ ID NOs: 226 and 227) having a hairpin-like structure are known as precursors of "hsa-miR-1233-5p".

[0074] The term "hsa-miR-6887-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6887-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6887-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027674) described in SEQ ID NO: 27, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6887-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6887" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022734, SEQ ID NO: 228) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6887-5p".

[0075] The term "hsa-miR-1231 gene" or "hsa-miR-1231" used herein includes the hsa-miR-1231 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0005586) described in SEQ ID NO: 28, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-1231 gene can be obtained by a method described in Berezikov E et al., 2007, Mol Cell, Vol. 28, p. 328-336. Also, "hsa-mir-1231" (miRBase Accession No. MI0006321, SEQ ID NO: 229) having a hairpin-like

structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-1231".

[0076] The term "hsa-miR-5572 gene" or "hsa-miR-5572" used herein includes the hsa-miR-5572 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0022260) described in SEQ ID NO: 29, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-5572 gene can be obtained by a method described in Tandon M et al., 2012, Oral Dis, Vol. 18, p. 127-131. Also, "hsa-mir-5572" (miRBase Accession No. MI0019117, SEQ ID NO: 230) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-5572".

[0077] The term "hsa-miR-6738-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6738-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6738-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027377) described in SEQ ID NO: 30, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6738-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6738" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022583, SEQ ID NO: 231) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6738-5p".

[0078] The term "hsa-miR-6784-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6784-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6784-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027468) described in SEQ ID NO: 31, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6784-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6784" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022629, SEQ ID NO: 232) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6784-5p".

[0079] The term "hsa-miR-6791-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6791-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6791-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027482) described in SEQ ID NO: 32, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6791-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6791" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022636, SEQ ID NO: 233) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6791-5p".

[0080] The term "hsa-miR-6749-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6749-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6749-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027398) described in SEQ ID NO: 33, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6749-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6749" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022594, SEQ ID NO: 234) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6749-5p".

[0081] The term "hsa-miR-6741-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6741-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6741-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027383) described in SEQ ID NO: 34, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6741-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6741" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022586, SEQ ID NO: 235) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6741-5p".

[0082] The term "hsa-miR-128-1-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-128-1-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-128-1-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0026477) described in SEQ ID NO: 35, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-128-1-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Lagos-Quintana M et al., 2002, Curr Biol, Vol. 12, p. 735-739. Also, "hsa-mir-128-1" (miRBase Accession No. MI0000447, SEQ ID NO: 236) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-128-1-5p".

[0083] The term "hsa-miR-4419b gene" or "hsa-miR-4419b" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4419b gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019034) described in SEQ ID NO: 36, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4419b gene can be obtained by a method described in Jima DD et al., 2010, Blood, Vol. 116, e118-e127. Also, "hsa-mir-4419b" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016861, SEQ ID NO: 237) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4419b".

[0084] The term "hsa-miR-6746-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6746-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6746-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027392) described in SEQ ID NO: 37, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6746-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6746" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022591, SEQ ID NO: 238) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6746-5p".

[0085] The term "hsa-miR-3184-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-3184-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-3184-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0015064) described in SEQ ID NO: 38, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-3184-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Stark MS et al., 2010, PLoS One, Vol. 5, e9685. Also, "hsa-mir-3184" (miRBase Accession No. MI0014226, SEQ ID NO: 239) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-3184-5p".

[0086] The term "hsa-miR-3679-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-3679-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-3679-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0018104) described in SEQ ID NO: 39, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-3679-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Creighton CJ et al., 2010, PLoS One, Vol. 5, e9637. Also, "hsa-mir-3679" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016080, SEQ ID NO: 240) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-3679-5p".

[0087] The term "hsa-miR-7110-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-7110-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-7110-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0028117) described in SEQ ID NO: 40, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism

species, and the like. The hsa-miR-7110-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-7110" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022961, SEQ ID NO: 241) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-7110-5p".

[0088] The term "hsa-miR-4516 gene" or "hsa-miR-4516" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4516 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019053) described in SEQ ID NO: 41, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4516 gene can be obtained by a method described in Jima DD et al., 2010, Blood, Vol. 116, e118-e127. Also, "hsa-mir-4516" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016882, SEQ ID NO: 242) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4516".

[0089] The term "hsa-miR-6717-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6717-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6717-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0025846) described in SEQ ID NO: 42, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6717-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Li Y et al., 2012, Gene, Vol. 497, p. 330-335. Also, "hsa-mir-6717" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022551, SEQ ID NO: 243) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6717-5p".

[0090] The term "hsa-miR-6826-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6826-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6826-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027552) described in SEQ ID NO: 43, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6826-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6826" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022671, SEQ ID NO: 244) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6826-5p".

[0091] The term "hsa-miR-4433b-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-4433b-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4433b-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0030414) described in SEQ ID NO: 44, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4433b-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ple H et al., 2012, PLoS One, Vol. 7, e50746. Also, "hsa-mir-4433b" (miRBase Accession No. MI0025511, SEQ ID NO: 245) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4433b-3p".

[0092] The term "hsa-miR-3679-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-3679-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-3679-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0018105) described in SEQ ID NO: 45, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-3679-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Creighton CJ et al., 2010, PLoS One, Vol. 5, e9637. Also, "hsa-mir-3679" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016080, SEQ ID NO: 240) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-3679-3p".

[0093] The term "hsa-miR-3135b gene" or "hsa-miR-3135b" used herein includes the hsa-miR-3135b gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0018985) described in SEQ ID NO: 46, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-3135b gene can be obtained by a method described in Jima DD et al., 2010, Blood, Vol. 116, e118-e127. Also, "hsa-mir-3135b" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016809, SEQ ID NO: 246) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-3135b".

[0094] The term "hsa-miR-3622a-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-3622a-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-3622a-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0018003) described in SEQ ID NO: 47, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-3622a-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Witten D et al., 2010, BMC Biol, Vol. 8, p. 58. Also, "hsa-mir-3622a" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016013, SEQ ID NO: 247) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-3622a-5p".

[0095] The term "hsa-miR-711 gene" or "hsa-miR-711" used herein includes the hsa-miR-711 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0012734) described in SEQ ID NO: 48, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-711 gene can be obtained by a method described in Artzi S et al., 2008, BMC Bioinformatics, Vol. 9, p. 39. Also, "hsa-mir-711" (miRBase Accession No. MI0012488, SEQ ID NO: 248) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-711".

[0096] The term "hsa-miR-4467 gene" or "hsa-miR-4467" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4467 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0018994) described in SEQ ID NO: 49, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4467 gene can be obtained by a method described in Jima DD et al., 2010, Blood, Vol. 116, e118-e127. Also, "hsa-mir-4467" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016818, SEQ ID NO: 249) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4467".

[0097] The term "hsa-miR-6857-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6857-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6857-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027614) described in SEQ ID NO: 50, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6857-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6857" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022703, SEQ ID NO: 250) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6857-5p".

[0098] The term "hsa-miR-6515-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-6515-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6515-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0025487) described in SEQ ID NO: 51, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6515-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Joyce CE et al., 2011, Hum Mol Genet, Vol. 20, p. 4025-4040. Also, "hsa-mir-6515" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022227, SEQ ID NO: 251) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6515-3p".

[0099] The term "hsa-miR-1225-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-1225-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-1225-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0005572) described in SEQ ID NO: 52, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-1225-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Berezikov E et al., 2007, Mol Cell, Vol. 28, p. 328-336. Also, "hsa-mir-1225" (miRBase Accession No. MI0006311, SEQ ID NO: 206) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-1225-5p".

[0100] The term "hsa-miR-187-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-187-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-187-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0004561) described in SEQ ID NO: 53, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-187-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Lim LP et al., 2003, Science, Vol. 299, p. 1540. Also, "hsa-mir-187" (miRBase Accession No. MI0000274, SEQ ID NO: 252) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-187-5p".

[0101] The term "hsa-miR-3185 gene" or "hsa-miR-3185" used herein includes the hsa-miR-3185 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0015065) described in SEQ ID NO: 54, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-3185 gene can be obtained by a method described in Stark MS et al., 2010, PLoS One, Vol. 5, e9685. Also, "hsa-mir-3185" (miRBase Accession No. MI0014227, SEQ ID NO: 253) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-3185".

[0102] The term "hsa-miR-642b-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-642b-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-642b-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0018444) described in SEQ ID NO: 55, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-642b-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Witten D et al., 2010, BMC Biol, Vol. 8, p. 58. Also, "hsa-mir-642b" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016685, SEQ ID NO: 254) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-642b-3p".

[0103] The term "hsa-miR-1249 gene" or "hsa-miR-1249" used herein includes the hsa-miR-1249 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0005901) described in SEQ ID NO: 56, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-1249 gene can be obtained by a method described in Morin RD et al., 2008, Genome Res, Vol. 18, p. 610-621. Also, "hsa-mir-1249" (miRBase Accession No. MI0006384, SEQ ID NO: 255) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-1249".

[0104] The term "hsa-miR-744-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-744-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-744-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0004945) described in SEQ ID NO: 57, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-744-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Berezikov E et al., 2006, Genome Res, Vol. 16, p. 1289-1298. Also, "hsa-mir-744" (miRBase Accession No. MI0005559, SEQ ID NO: 256) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-744-5p".

[0105] The term "hsa-miR-4442 gene" or "hsa-miR-4442" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4442 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0018960) described in SEQ ID NO: 58, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4442 gene can be obtained by a method described in Jima DD et al., 2010, Blood, Vol. 116, e118-e127. Also, "hsa-mir-4442" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016785, SEQ ID NO: 257) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4442".

[0106] The term "hsa-miR-1228-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-1228-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-1228-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0005583) described in SEQ ID NO: 59, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-1228-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Berezikov E et al., 2007, Mol Cell, Vol. 28, p. 328-336. Also, "hsa-mir-1228" (miRBase Accession No. MI0006318, SEQ ID NO: 258) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-1228-3p".

[0107] The term "hsa-miR-939-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-939-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-939-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0004982) described in SEQ ID NO: 60, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-939-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Lui WO et al., 2007, Cancer Res, Vol. 67, p. 6031-6043. Also, "hsa-mir-939" (miRBase Accession No. MI0005761, SEQ ID NO: 259) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-939-5p".

[0108] The term "hsa-miR-6845-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6845-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6845-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027590) described in SEQ ID NO: 61, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6845-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6845" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022691, SEQ ID NO: 260) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6845-5p".

[0109] The term "hsa-miR-887-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-887-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-887-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0004951) described in SEQ ID NO: 62, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-887-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Berezikov E et al., 2006, Genome Res, Vol. 16, p. 1289-1298. Also, "hsa-mir-887" (miRBase Accession No. MI0005562, SEQ ID NO: 261) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-887-3p".

[0110] The term "hsa-miR-7845-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-7845-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-7845-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0030420) described in SEQ ID NO: 63, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-7845-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ple H et al., 2012, PLoS

One, Vol. 7, e50746. Also, "hsa-mir-7845" (miRBase Accession No. MI0025515, SEQ ID NO: 262) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-7845-5p".

[0111] The term "hsa-miR-6729-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6729-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6729-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027359) described in SEQ ID NO: 64, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6729-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6729" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022574, SEQ ID NO: 263) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6729-5p".

[0112] The term "hsa-miR-4632-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-4632-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4632-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0022977) described in SEQ ID NO: 65, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4632-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Persson H et al., 2011, Cancer Res, Vol. 71, p. 78-86. Also, "hsa-mir-4632" (miRBase Accession No. MI0017259, SEQ ID NO: 264) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4632-5p".

[0113] The term "hsa-miR-615-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-615-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-615-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0004804) described in SEQ ID NO: 66, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-615-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Cummins JM et al., 2006, Proc Natl Acad Sci USA, Vol. 103, p. 3687-3692. Also, "hsa-mir-615" (miRBase Accession No. MI0003628, SEQ ID NO: 265) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-615-5p".

[0114] The term "hsa-miR-6724-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6724-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6724-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0025856) described in SEQ ID NO: 67, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6724-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Li Y et al., 2012, Gene, Vol. 497, p. 330-335. Also, "hsa-mir-6724" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022559, SEQ ID NO: 266) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6724-5p".

[0115] The term "hsa-miR-4728-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-4728-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4728-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019849) described in SEQ ID NO: 68, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4728-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Persson H et al., 2011, Cancer Res, Vol. 71, p. 78-86. Also, "hsa-mir-4728" (miRBase Accession No. MI0017365, SEQ ID NO: 267) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4728-5p".

[0116] The term "hsa-miR-6732-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6732-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6732-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027365) described in SEQ ID NO: 69, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6732-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6732" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022577, SEQ ID NO: 268) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6732-5p".

[0117] The term "hsa-miR-6816-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6816-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6816-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027532) described in SEQ ID NO: 70, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6816-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6816" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022661, SEQ ID NO: 269) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6816-5p".

[0118] The term "hsa-miR-4695-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-4695-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4695-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019788) described in SEQ ID NO: 71, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4695-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Persson H et al., 2011, Cancer Res, Vol. 71, p. 78-86. Also, "hsa-mir-4695" (miRBase Accession No. MI0017328, SEQ ID NO: 270) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4695-5p".

[0119] The term "hsa-miR-6088 gene" or "hsa-miR-6088" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6088 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0023713) described in SEQ ID NO: 72, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6088 gene can be obtained by a method described in Yoo JK et al., 2012, Stem Cells Dev, Vol. 21, p. 2049-2057. Also, "hsa-mir-6088" (miRBase Accession No. MI0020365, SEQ ID NO: 271) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6088".

[0120] The term "hsa-miR-7975 gene" or "hsa-miR-7975" used herein includes the hsa-miR-7975 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0031178) described in SEQ ID NO: 73, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-7975 gene can be obtained by a method described in Velthut-Meikas A et al., 2013, Mol Endocrinol, online. Also, "hsa-mir-7975" (miRBase Accession No. MI0025751, SEQ ID NO: 272) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-7975".

[0121] The term "hsa-miR-3197 gene" or "hsa-miR-3197" used herein includes the hsa-miR-3197 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0015082) described in SEQ ID NO: 74, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-3197 gene can be obtained by a method described in Stark MS et al., 2010, PLoS One, Vol. 5, e9685. Also, "hsa-mir-3197" (miRBase Accession No. MI0014245, SEQ ID NO: 273) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-3197".

[0122] The term "hsa-miR-6125 gene" or "hsa-miR-6125" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6125 gene (miRBase

Accession No. MIMAT0024598) described in SEQ ID NO: 75, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6125 gene can be obtained by a method described in Smith JL et al., 2012, J Virol, Vol. 86, p. 5278-5287. Also, "hsa-mir-6125" (miRBase Accession No. MI0021259, SEQ ID NO: 274) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6125".

5 **[0123]** The term "hsa-miR-4433-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-4433-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4433-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0018949) described in SEQ ID NO: 76, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4433-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Jima DD et al., 2010, Blood, Vol. 116, e118-e127. Also, "hsa-mir-4433" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016773, SEQ ID NO: 275) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4433-3p".

10 **[0124]** The term "hsa-miR-6727-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6727-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6727-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027355) described in SEQ ID NO: 77, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6727-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6727" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022572, SEQ ID NO: 276) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6727-5p".

15 **[0125]** The term "hsa-miR-4706 gene" or "hsa-miR-4706" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4706 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019806) described in SEQ ID NO: 78, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4706 gene can be obtained by a method described in Persson H et al., 2011, Cancer Res, Vol. 71, p. 78-86. Also, "hsa-mir-4706" (miRBase Accession No. MI0017339, SEQ ID NO: 277) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4706".

20 **[0126]** The term "hsa-miR-7847-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-7847-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-7847-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0030422) described in SEQ ID NO: 79, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-7847-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ple H et al., 2012, PLoS One, Vol. 7, e50746. Also, "hsa-mir-7847" (miRBase Accession No. MI0025517, SEQ ID NO: 278) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-7847-3p".

25 **[0127]** The term "hsa-miR-6805-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-6805-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6805-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027511) described in SEQ ID NO: 80, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6805-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6805" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022650, SEQ ID NO: 279) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6805-3p".

30 **[0128]** The term "hsa-miR-6766-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-6766-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6766-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027433) described in SEQ ID NO: 81, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6766-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6766" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022611, SEQ ID NO: 280) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6766-3p".

35 **[0129]** The term "hsa-miR-1913 gene" or "hsa-miR-1913" used herein includes the hsa-miR-1913 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0007888) described in SEQ ID NO: 82, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-1913 gene can be obtained by a method described in Bar M et al., 2008, Stem Cells, Vol. 26, p. 2496-2505. Also, "hsa-mir-1913" (miRBase Accession No. MI0008334, SEQ ID NO: 281) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-1913".

40 **[0130]** The term "hsa-miR-4649-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-4649-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4649-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019711) described in SEQ ID NO: 83, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4649-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Persson H et al., 2011, Cancer Res, Vol. 71, p. 78-86. Also, "hsa-mir-4649" (miRBase Accession No. MI0017276, SEQ ID NO: 282) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4649-5p".

45 **[0131]** The term "hsa-miR-602 gene" or "hsa-miR-602" used herein includes the hsa-miR-602 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0003270) described in SEQ ID NO: 84, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-602 gene can be obtained by a method described in Cummins JM et al., 2006, Proc Natl Acad Sci USA, Vol. 103, p. 3687-3692. Also, "hsa-mir-602" (miRBase Accession No. MI0003615, SEQ ID NO: 283) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-602".

50 **[0132]** The term "hsa-miR-3663-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-3663-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-3663-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0018085) described in SEQ ID NO: 85, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-3663-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Liao JY et al., 2010, PLoS One, Vol. 5, e10563. Also, "hsa-mir-3663" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016064, SEQ ID NO: 284) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-3663-3p".

55 **[0133]** The term "hsa-miR-6893-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6893-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6893-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027686) described in SEQ ID NO: 86, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6893-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6893" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022740, SEQ ID NO: 285)

having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6893-5p".

[0134] The term "hsa-miR-6861-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6861-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6861-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027623) described in SEQ ID NO: 87, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6861-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6861" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022708, SEQ ID NO: 286) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6861-5p".

[0135] The term "hsa-miR-4449 gene" or "hsa-miR-4449" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4449 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0018968) described in SEQ ID NO: 88, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4449 gene can be obtained by a method described in Jima DD et al., 2010, Blood, Vol. 116, e118-e127. Also, "hsa-mir-4449" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016792, SEQ ID NO: 287) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4449".

[0136] The term "hsa-miR-6842-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6842-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6842-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027586) described in SEQ ID NO: 89, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6842-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6842" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022688, SEQ ID NO: 288) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6842-5p".

[0137] The term "hsa-miR-4454 gene" or "hsa-miR-4454" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4454 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0018976) described in SEQ ID NO: 90, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4454 gene can be obtained by a method described in Jima DD et al., 2010, Blood, Vol. 116, e118-e127. Also, "hsa-mir-4454" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016800, SEQ ID NO: 289) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4454".

[0138] The term "hsa-miR-5195-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-5195-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-5195-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0021127) described in SEQ ID NO: 91, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-5195-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Schotte D et al., 2011, Leukemia, Vol. 25, p. 1389-1399. Also, "hsa-mir-5195" (miRBase Accession No. MI0018174, SEQ ID NO: 290) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-5195-3p".

[0139] The term "hsa-miR-663b gene" or "hsa-miR-663b" used herein includes the hsa-miR-663b gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0005867) described in SEQ ID NO: 92, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-663b gene can be obtained by a method described in Takada S et al., 2008, Leukemia, Vol. 22, p. 1274-1278. Also, "hsa-mir-663b" (miRBase Accession No. MI0006336, SEQ ID NO: 291) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-663b".

[0140] The term "hsa-miR-6765-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6765-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6765-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027430) described in SEQ ID NO: 93, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6765-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6765" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022610, SEQ ID NO: 292) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6765-5p".

[0141] The term "hsa-miR-4513 gene" or "hsa-miR-4513" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4513 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019050) described in SEQ ID NO: 94, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4513 gene can be obtained by a method described in Jima DD et al., 2010, Blood, Vol. 116, e118-e127. Also, "hsa-mir-4513" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016879, SEQ ID NO: 293) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4513".

[0142] The term "hsa-miR-614 gene" or "hsa-miR-614" used herein includes the hsa-miR-614 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0003282) described in SEQ ID NO: 95, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-614 gene can be obtained by a method described in Cummins JM et al., 2006, Proc Natl Acad Sci USA, Vol. 103, p. 3687-3692. Also, "hsa-mir-614" (miRBase Accession No. MI0003627, SEQ ID NO: 294) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-614".

[0143] The term "hsa-miR-6785-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6785-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6785-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027470) described in SEQ ID NO: 96, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6785-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6785" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022630, SEQ ID NO: 295) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6785-5p".

[0144] The term "hsa-miR-6777-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6777-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6777-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027454) described in SEQ ID NO: 97, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6777-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6777" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022622, SEQ ID NO: 296) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6777-5p".

[0145] The term "hsa-miR-940 gene" or "hsa-miR-940" used herein includes the hsa-miR-940 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0004983) described in SEQ ID NO: 98, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and

the like. The hsa-miR-940 gene can be obtained by a method described in Lui WO et al., 2007, Cancer Res, Vol. 67, p. 6031-6043. Also, "hsa-mir-940" (miRBase Accession No. MI0005762, SEQ ID NO: 297) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-940".

[0146] The term "hsa-miR-4741 gene" or "hsa-miR-4741" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4741 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019871) described in SEQ ID NO: 99, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4741 gene can be obtained by a method described in Persson H et al., 2011, Cancer Res, Vol. 71, p. 78-86. Also, "hsa-mir-4741" (miRBase Accession No. MI0017379, SEQ ID NO: 298) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4741".

[0147] The term "hsa-miR-6870-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6870-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6870-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027640) described in SEQ ID NO: 100, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6870-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6870" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022717, SEQ ID NO: 299) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6870-5p".

[0148] The term "hsa-miR-6131 gene" or "hsa-miR-6131" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6131 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0024615) described in SEQ ID NO: 101, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6131 gene can be obtained by a method described in Dannemann M et al., 2012, Genome Biol Evol, Vol. 4, p. 552-564. Also, "hsa-mir-6131" (miRBase Accession No. MI0021276, SEQ ID NO: 300) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6131".

[0149] The term "hsa-miR-150-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-150-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-150-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0004610) described in SEQ ID NO: 102, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-150-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Lagos-Quintana M et al., 2002, Curr Biol, Vol. 12, p. 735-739. Also, "hsa-mir-150" (miRBase Accession No. MI0000479, SEQ ID NO: 301) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-150-3p".

[0150] The term "hsa-miR-4707-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-4707-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4707-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019807) described in SEQ ID NO: 103, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4707-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Persson H et al., 2011, Cancer Res, Vol. 71, p. 78-86. Also, "hsa-mir-4707" (miRBase Accession No. MI0017340, SEQ ID NO: 302) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4707-5p".

[0151] The term "hsa-miR-1915-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-1915-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-1915-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0007892) described in SEQ ID NO: 104, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-1915-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Bar M et al., 2008, Stem Cells, Vol. 26, p. 2496-2505. Also, "hsa-mir-1915" (miRBase Accession No. MI0008336, SEQ ID NO: 303) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-1915-3p".

[0152] The term "hsa-miR-3937 gene" or "hsa-miR-3937" used herein includes the hsa-miR-3937 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0018352) described in SEQ ID NO: 105, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-3937 gene can be obtained by a method described in Liao JY et al., 2010, PLoS One, Vol. 5, e10563. Also, "hsa-mir-3937" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016593, SEQ ID NO: 304) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-3937".

[0153] The term "hsa-miR-937-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-937-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-937-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0022938) described in SEQ ID NO: 106, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-937-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Lui WO et al., 2007, Cancer Res, Vol. 67, p. 6031-6043. Also, "hsa-mir-937" (miRBase Accession No. MI0005759, SEQ ID NO: 305) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-937-5p".

[0154] The term "hsa-miR-4443 gene" or "hsa-miR-4443" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4443 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0018961) described in SEQ ID NO: 107, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4443 gene can be obtained by a method described in Jima DD et al., 2010, Blood, Vol. 116, e118-e127. Also, "hsa-mir-4443" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016786, SEQ ID NO: 306) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4443".

[0155] The term "hsa-miR-1914-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-1914-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-1914-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0007890) described in SEQ ID NO: 108, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-1914-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Bar M et al., 2008, Stem Cells, Vol. 26, p. 2496-2505. Also, "hsa-mir-1914" (miRBase Accession No. MI0008335, SEQ ID NO: 307) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-1914-3p".

[0156] The term "hsa-miR-3620-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-3620-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-3620-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0022967) described in SEQ ID NO: 109, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-3620-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Witten D et al., 2010, BMC Biol, Vol. 8, p. 58. Also, "hsa-mir-3620" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016011, SEQ ID NO: 308) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-3620-5p".

[0157] The term "hsa-miR-1268b gene" or "hsa-miR-1268b" used herein includes the hsa-miR-1268b gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0018925) described in SEQ ID NO: 110, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-1268b gene can be obtained by a method described in Jima DD et al., 2010, Blood, Vol. 116, e118-e127. Also, "hsa-mir-1268b" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016748, SEQ ID NO: 309) having a hairpin-like structure

is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-1268b".
[0158] The term "hsa-miR-1227-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-1227-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-1227-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0022941) described in SEQ ID NO: 111, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-1227-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Berezikov E et al., 2007, Mol Cell, Vol. 28, p. 328-336. Also, "hsa-mir-1227" (miRBase Accession No. MI0006316, SEQ ID NO: 310) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-1227-5p".

[0159] The term "hsa-miR-6880-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6880-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6880-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027660) described in SEQ ID NO: 112, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6880-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6880" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022727, SEQ ID NO: 311) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6880-5p".

[0160] The term "hsa-miR-4417 gene" or "hsa-miR-4417" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4417 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0018929) described in SEQ ID NO: 113, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4417 gene can be obtained by a method described in Jima DD et al., 2010, Blood, Vol. 116, e118-e127. Also, "hsa-mir-4417" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016753, SEQ ID NO: 312) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4417".

[0161] The term "hsa-miR-6802-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6802-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6802-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027504) described in SEQ ID NO: 114, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6802-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6802" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022647, SEQ ID NO: 313) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6802-5p".

[0162] The term "hsa-miR-6769a-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6769a-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6769a-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027438) described in SEQ ID NO: 115, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6769a-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6769a" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022614, SEQ ID NO: 314) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6769a-5p".

[0163] The term "hsa-miR-663a gene" or "hsa-miR-663a" used herein includes the hsa-miR-663a gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0003326) described in SEQ ID NO: 116, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-663a gene can be obtained by a method described in Cummins JM et al., 2006, Proc Natl Acad Sci USA, Vol. 103, p. 3687-3692. Also, "hsa-mir-663a" (miRBase Accession No. MI0003672, SEQ ID NO: 315) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-663a".

[0164] The term "hsa-miR-6721-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6721-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6721-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0025852) described in SEQ ID NO: 117, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6721-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Li Y et al., 2012, Gene, Vol. 497, p. 330-335. Also, "hsa-mir-6721" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022556, SEQ ID NO: 316) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6721-5p".

[0165] The term "hsa-miR-4532 gene" or "hsa-miR-4532" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4532 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019071) described in SEQ ID NO: 118, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4532 gene can be obtained by a method described in Jima DD et al., 2010, Blood, Vol. 116, e118-e127. Also, "hsa-mir-4532" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016899, SEQ ID NO: 317) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4532".

[0166] The term "hsa-miR-7977 gene" or "hsa-miR-7977" used herein includes the hsa-miR-7977 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0031180) described in SEQ ID NO: 119, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-7977 gene can be obtained by a method described in Velthut-Meikas A et al., 2013, Mol Endocrinol, online. Also, "hsa-mir-7977" (miRBase Accession No. MI0025753, SEQ ID NO: 318) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-7977".

[0167] The term "hsa-miR-92b-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-92b-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-92b-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0004792) described in SEQ ID NO: 120, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-92b-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Cummins JM et al., 2006, Proc Natl Acad Sci USA, Vol. 103, p. 3687-3692. Also, "hsa-mir-92b" (miRBase Accession No. MI0003560, SEQ ID NO: 319) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-92b-5p".

[0168] The term "hsa-miR-371a-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-371a-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-371a-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0004687) described in SEQ ID NO: 121, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-371a-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Suh MR et al., 2004, Dev

Biol, Vol. 270, p. 488-498. Also, "hsa-mir-371a" (miRBase Accession No. MI0000779, SEQ ID NO: 320) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-371a-5p".

[0169] The term "hsa-miR-6126 gene" or "hsa-miR-6126" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6126 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0024599) described in SEQ ID NO: 122, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6126 gene can be obtained by a method described in Smith JL et al., 2012, J Virol, Vol. 86, p. 5278-5287. Also, "hsa-mir-6126" (miRBase Accession No. MI0021260, SEQ ID NO: 321) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6126".

[0170] The term "hsa-miR-4734 gene" or "hsa-miR-4734" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4734 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019859) described in SEQ ID NO: 123, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4734 gene can be obtained by a method described in Persson H et al., 2011, Cancer Res, Vol. 71, p. 78-86. Also, "hsa-mir-4734" (miRBase Accession No. MI0017371, SEQ ID NO: 322) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4734".

[0171] The term "hsa-miR-4665-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-4665-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4665-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019740) described in SEQ ID NO: 124, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4665-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Persson H et al., 2011, Cancer Res, Vol. 71, p. 78-86. Also, "hsa-mir-4665" (miRBase Accession No. MI0017295, SEQ ID NO: 323) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4665-3p".

[0172] The term "hsa-miR-423-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-423-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-423-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0004748) described in SEQ ID NO: 125, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-423-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Kasashima K et al., 2004, Biochem Biophys Res Commun, Vol. 322, p. 403-410. Also, "hsa-mir-423" (miRBase Accession No. MI0001445, SEQ ID NO: 324) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-423-5p".

[0173] The term "hsa-miR-1469 gene" or "hsa-miR-1469" used herein includes the hsa-miR-1469 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0007347) described in SEQ ID NO: 126, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-1469 gene can be obtained by a method described in Kawaji H et al., 2008, BMC Genomics, Vol. 9, p. 157. Also, "hsa-mir-1469" (miRBase Accession No. MI0007074, SEQ ID NO: 325) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-1469".

[0174] The term "hsa-miR-4675 gene" or "hsa-miR-4675" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4675 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019757) described in SEQ ID NO: 127, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4675 gene can be obtained by a method described in Persson H et al., 2011, Cancer Res, Vol. 71, p. 78-86. Also, "hsa-mir-4675" (miRBase Accession No. MI0017306, SEQ ID NO: 326) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4675".

[0175] The term "hsa-miR-1915-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-1915-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-1915-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0007891) described in SEQ ID NO: 128, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-1915-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Bar M et al., 2008, Stem Cells, Vol. 26, p. 2496-2505. Also, "hsa-mir-1915" (miRBase Accession No. MI0008336, SEQ ID NO: 303) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-1915-5p".

[0176] The term "hsa-miR-6716-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6716-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6716-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0025844) described in SEQ ID NO: 129, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6716-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Li Y et al., 2012, Gene, Vol. 497, p. 330-335. Also, "hsa-mir-6716" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022550, SEQ ID NO: 327) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6716-5p".

[0177] The term "hsa-miR-718 gene" or "hsa-miR-718" used herein includes the hsa-miR-718 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0012735) described in SEQ ID NO: 130, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-718 gene can be obtained by a method described in Artzi S et al., 2008, BMC Bioinformatics, Vol. 9, p. 39. Also, "hsa-mir-718" (miRBase Accession No. MI0012489, SEQ ID NO: 328) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-718".

[0178] The term "hsa-miR-4281 gene" or "hsa-miR-4281" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4281 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0016907) described in SEQ ID NO: 131, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4281 gene can be obtained by a method described in Goff LA et al., 2009, PLoS One, Vol. 4, e7192. Also, "hsa-mir-4281" (miRBase Accession No. MI0015885, SEQ ID NO: 329) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4281".

[0179] The term "hsa-miR-6820-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6820-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6820-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027540) described in SEQ ID NO: 132, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6820-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6820" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022665, SEQ ID NO: 330) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6820-5p".

[0180] The term "hsa-miR-6795-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6795-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6795-5p gene

(miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027490) described in SEQ ID NO: 133, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6795-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6795" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022640, SEQ ID NO: 331) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6795-5p".

[0181] The term "hsa-miR-6779-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6779-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6779-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027458) described in SEQ ID NO: 134, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6779-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6779" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022624, SEQ ID NO: 332) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6779-5p".

[0182] The term "hsa-miR-7109-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-7109-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-7109-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0028115) described in SEQ ID NO: 135, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-7109-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-7109" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022960, SEQ ID NO: 333) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-7109-5p".

[0183] The term "hsa-miR-6798-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6798-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6798-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027496) described in SEQ ID NO: 136, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6798-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6798" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022643, SEQ ID NO: 334) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6798-5p".

[0184] The term "hsa-miR-4648 gene" or "hsa-miR-4648" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4648 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019710) described in SEQ ID NO: 137, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4648 gene can be obtained by a method described in Persson H et al., 2011, Cancer Res, Vol. 71, p. 78-86. Also, "hsa-mir-4648" (miRBase Accession No. MI0017275, SEQ ID NO: 335) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4648".

[0185] The term "hsa-miR-8059 gene" or "hsa-miR-8059" used herein includes the hsa-miR-8059 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0030986) described in SEQ ID NO: 138, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-8059 gene can be obtained by a method described in Wang HJ et al., 2013, Shock, Vol. 39, p. 480-487. Also, "hsa-mir-8059" (miRBase Accession No. MI0025895, SEQ ID NO: 336) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-8059".

[0186] The term "hsa-miR-6765-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-6765-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6765-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027431) described in SEQ ID NO: 139, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6765-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6765" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022610, SEQ ID NO: 292) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6765-3p".

[0187] The term "hsa-miR-6132 gene" or "hsa-miR-6132" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6132 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0024616) described in SEQ ID NO: 140, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6132 gene can be obtained by a method described in Dannemann M et al., 2012, Genome Biol Evol, Vol. 4, p. 552-564. Also, "hsa-mir-6132" (miRBase Accession No. MI0021277, SEQ ID NO: 337) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6132".

[0188] The term "hsa-miR-4492 gene" or "hsa-miR-4492" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4492 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019027) described in SEQ ID NO: 141, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4492 gene can be obtained by a method described in Jima DD et al., 2010, Blood, Vol. 116, e118-e127. Also, "hsa-mir-4492" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016854, SEQ ID NO: 338) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4492".

[0189] The term "hsa-miR-7107-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-7107-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-7107-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0028111) described in SEQ ID NO: 142, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-7107-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-7107" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022958, SEQ ID NO: 339) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-7107-5p".

[0190] The term "hsa-miR-3195 gene" or "hsa-miR-3195" used herein includes the hsa-miR-3195 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0015079) described in SEQ ID NO: 143, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-3195 gene can be obtained by a method described in Stark MS et al., 2010, PLoS One, Vol. 5, e9685. Also, "hsa-mir-3195" (miRBase Accession No. MI0014240, SEQ ID NO: 340) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-3195".

[0191] The term "hsa-miR-3180 gene" or "hsa-miR-3180" used herein includes the hsa-miR-3180 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0018178) described in SEQ ID NO: 144, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-3180 gene can be obtained by a method described in Creighton CJ et al., 2010, PLoS One, Vol. 5, e9637. Also, "hsa-mir-3180-4 and hsa-mir-3180-5" (miRBase Accession Nos. MI0016408 and MI0016409, SEQ

ID NOs: 341 and 342) having a hairpin-like structure are known as precursors of "hsa-miR-3180".

[0192] The term "hsa-miR-296-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-296-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-296-3p gene (miR-Base Accession No. MIMAT0004679) described in SEQ ID NO: 145, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-296-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Houbaviy HB et al., 2003, Dev Cell, Vol. 5, p. 351-358. Also, "hsa-mir-296" (miRBase Accession No. MI0000747, SEQ ID NO: 343) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-296-3p".

[0193] The term "hsa-miR-564 gene" or "hsa-miR-564" used herein includes the hsa-miR-564 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0003228) described in SEQ ID NO: 146, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-564 gene can be obtained by a method described in Cummins JM et al., 2006, Proc Natl Acad Sci USA, Vol. 103, p. 3687-3692. Also, "hsa-mir-564" (miRBase Accession No. MI0003570, SEQ ID NO: 344) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-564".

[0194] The term "hsa-miR-1268a gene" or "hsa-miR-1268a" used herein includes the hsa-miR-1268a gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0005922) described in SEQ ID NO: 147, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-1268a gene can be obtained by a method described in Morin RD et al., 2008, Genome Res, Vol. 18, p. 610-621. Also, "hsa-mir-1268a" (miRBase Accession No. MI0006405, SEQ ID NO: 345) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-1268a".

[0195] The term "hsa-miR-6848-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6848-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6848-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027596) described in SEQ ID NO: 148, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6848-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6848" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022694, SEQ ID NO: 346) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6848-5p".

[0196] The term "hsa-miR-762 gene" or "hsa-miR-762" used herein includes the hsa-miR-762 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0010313) described in SEQ ID NO: 149, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-762 gene can be obtained by a method described in Berezikov E et al., 2006, Genome Res, Vol. 16, p. 1289-1298. Also, "hsa-mir-762" (miRBase Accession No. MI0003892, SEQ ID NO: 347) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-762".

[0197] The term "hsa-miR-2861 gene" or "hsa-miR-2861" used herein includes the hsa-miR-2861 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0013802) described in SEQ ID NO: 150, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-2861 gene can be obtained by a method described in Li H et al., 2009, J Clin Invest, Vol. 119, p. 3666-3677. Also, "hsa-mir-2861" (miRBase Accession No. MI0013006, SEQ ID NO: 348) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-2861".

[0198] The term "hsa-miR-1203 gene" or "hsa-miR-1203" used herein includes the hsa-miR-1203 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0005866) described in SEQ ID NO: 151, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-1203 gene can be obtained by a method described in Marton S et al., 2008, Leukemia, Vol. 22, p. 330-338. Also, "hsa-mir-1203" (miRBase Accession No. MI0006335, SEQ ID NO: 349) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-1203".

[0199] The term "hsa-miR-1260b gene" or "hsa-miR-1260b" used herein includes the hsa-miR-1260b gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0015041) described in SEQ ID NO: 152, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-1260b gene can be obtained by a method described in Stark MS et al., 2010, PLoS One, Vol. 5, e9685. Also, "hsa-mir-1260b" (miRBase Accession No. MI0014197, SEQ ID NO: 350) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-1260b".

[0200] The term "hsa-miR-4476 gene" or "hsa-miR-4476" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4476 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019003) described in SEQ ID NO: 153, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4476 gene can be obtained by a method described in Jima DD et al., 2010, Blood, Vol. 116, e118-e127. Also, "hsa-mir-4476" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016828, SEQ ID NO: 351) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4476".

[0201] The term "hsa-miR-6885-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6885-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6885-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027670) described in SEQ ID NO: 154, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6885-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6885" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022732, SEQ ID NO: 352) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6885-5p".

[0202] The term "hsa-miR-6769b-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6769b-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6769b-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027620) described in SEQ ID NO: 155, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6769b-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6769b" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022706, SEQ ID NO: 353) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6769b-5p".

[0203] The term "hsa-miR-23b-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-23b-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-23b-3p gene (miR-Base Accession No. MIMAT0000418) described in SEQ ID NO: 156, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism

species, and the like. The hsa-miR-23b-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Lagos-Quintana M et al., 2002, Curr Biol, Vol. 12, p. 735-739. Also, "hsa-mir-23b" (miRBase Accession No. MI0000439, SEQ ID NO: 354) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-23b-3p".

[0204] The term "hsa-miR-1343-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-1343-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-1343-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027038) described in SEQ ID NO: 157, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-1343-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Persson H et al., 2011, Cancer Res, Vol. 71, p. 78-86. Also, "hsa-mir-1343" (miRBase Accession No. MI0017320, SEQ ID NO: 202) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-1343-5p".

[0205] The term "hsa-miR-3621 gene" or "hsa-miR-3621" used herein includes the hsa-miR-3621 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0018002) described in SEQ ID NO: 158, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-3621 gene can be obtained by a method described in Witten D et al., 2010, BMC Biol, Vol. 8, p. 58. Also, "hsa-mir-3621" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016012, SEQ ID NO: 355) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-3621".

[0206] The term "hsa-miR-4688 gene" or "hsa-miR-4688" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4688 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019777) described in SEQ ID NO: 159, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4688 gene can be obtained by a method described in Persson H et al., 2011, Cancer Res, Vol. 71, p. 78-86. Also, "hsa-mir-4688" (miRBase Accession No. MI0017321, SEQ ID NO: 356) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4688".

[0207] The term "hsa-miR-4286 gene" or "hsa-miR-4286" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4286 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0016916) described in SEQ ID NO: 160, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4286 gene can be obtained by a method described in Goff LA et al., 2009, PLoS One, Vol. 4, e7192. Also, "hsa-mir-4286" (miRBase Accession No. MI0015894, SEQ ID NO: 357) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4286".

[0208] The term "hsa-miR-4640-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-4640-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4640-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019699) described in SEQ ID NO: 161, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4640-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Persson H et al., 2011, Cancer Res, Vol. 71, p. 78-86. Also, "hsa-mir-4640" (miRBase Accession No. MI0017267, SEQ ID NO: 358) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4640-5p".

[0209] The term "hsa-miR-4739 gene" or "hsa-miR-4739" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4739 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019868) described in SEQ ID NO: 162, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4739 gene can be obtained by a method described in Persson H et al., 2011, Cancer Res, Vol. 71, p. 78-86. Also, "hsa-mir-4739" (miRBase Accession No. MI0017377, SEQ ID NO: 359) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4739".

[0210] The term "hsa-miR-1260a gene" or "hsa-miR-1260a" used herein includes the hsa-miR-1260a gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0005911) described in SEQ ID NO: 163, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-1260a gene can be obtained by a method described in Morin RD et al., 2008, Genome Res, Vol. 18, p. 610-621. Also, "hsa-mir-1260a" (miRBase Accession No. MI0006394, SEQ ID NO: 360) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-1260a".

[0211] The term "hsa-miR-4276 gene" or "hsa-miR-4276" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4276 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0016904) described in SEQ ID NO: 164, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4276 gene can be obtained by a method described in Goff LA et al., 2009, PLoS One, Vol. 4, e7192. Also, "hsa-mir-4276" (miRBase Accession No. MI0015882, SEQ ID NO: 361) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4276".

[0212] The term "hsa-miR-7106-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-7106-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-7106-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0028109) described in SEQ ID NO: 165, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-7106-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-7106" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022957, SEQ ID NO: 362) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-7106-5p".

[0213] The term "hsa-miR-128-2-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-128-2-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-128-2-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0031095) described in SEQ ID NO: 166, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-128-2-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Lagos-Quintana M et al., 2002, Curr Biol, Vol. 12, p. 735-739. Also, "hsa-mir-128-2" (miRBase Accession No. MI0000727, SEQ ID NO: 363) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-128-2-5p".

[0214] The term "hsa-miR-125a-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-125a-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-125a-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0004602) described in SEQ ID NO: 167, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-125a-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Lagos-Quintana M et al., 2002, Curr Biol, Vol. 12, p. 735-739. Also, "hsa-mir-125a" (miRBase Accession No. MI0000469, SEQ ID NO: 364) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-125a-3p".

[0215] The term "hsa-miR-92a-2-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-92a-2-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-92a-2-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0004508) described in SEQ ID NO: 168, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-92a-2-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Mourelatos Z et al., 2002, Genes Dev, Vol. 16, p. 720-728. Also, "hsa-mir-92a-2" (miRBase Accession No. MI0000094, SEQ ID NO: 365) having

a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-92a-2-5p".

[0216] The term "hsa-miR-486-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-486-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-486-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0004762) described in SEQ ID NO: 169, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-486-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Fu H et al., 2005, FEBS Lett, Vol. 579, p. 3849-3854. Also, "hsa-mir-486 and hsa-mir-486-2" (miRBase Accession Nos. MI0002470 and MI0023622, SEQ ID NOs: 366 and 367) having a hairpin-like structure are known as precursors of "hsa-miR-486-3p".

[0217] The term "hsa-miR-3196 gene" or "hsa-miR-3196" used herein includes the hsa-miR-3196 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0015080) described in SEQ ID NO: 170, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-3196 gene can be obtained by a method described in Stark MS et al., 2010, PLoS One, Vol. 5, e9685. Also, "hsa-mir-3196" (miRBase Accession No. MI0014241, SEQ ID NO: 368) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-3196".

[0218] The term "hsa-miR-211-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-211-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-211-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0022694) described in SEQ ID NO: 171, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-211-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Lim LP et al., 2003, Science, Vol. 299, p. 1540. Also, "hsa-mir-211" (miRBase Accession No. MI0000287, SEQ ID NO: 369) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-211-3p".

[0219] The term "hsa-miR-4271 gene" or "hsa-miR-4271" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4271 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0016901) described in SEQ ID NO: 172, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4271 gene can be obtained by a method described in Goff LA et al., 2009, PLoS One, Vol. 4, e7192. Also, "hsa-mir-4271" (miRBase Accession No. MI0015879, SEQ ID NO: 370) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4271".

[0220] The term "hsa-miR-6851-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6851-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6851-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027602) described in SEQ ID NO: 173, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6851-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6851" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022697, SEQ ID NO: 371) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6851-5p".

[0221] The term "hsa-miR-149-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-149-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-149-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0004609) described in SEQ ID NO: 174, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-149-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Lagos-Quintana M et al., 2002, Curr Biol, Vol. 12, p. 735-739. Also, "hsa-mir-149" (miRBase Accession No. MI0000478, SEQ ID NO: 372) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-149-3p".

[0222] The term "hsa-miR-4667-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-4667-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4667-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019743) described in SEQ ID NO: 175, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4667-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Persson H et al., 2011, Cancer Res, Vol. 71, p. 78-86. Also, "hsa-mir-4667" (miRBase Accession No. MI0017297, SEQ ID NO: 373) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4667-5p".

[0223] The term "hsa-miR-135a-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-135a-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-135a-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0004595) described in SEQ ID NO: 176, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-135a-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Lagos-Quintana M et al., 2002, Curr Biol, Vol. 12, p. 735-739. Also, "hsa-mir-135a-1" (miRBase Accession No. MI0000452, SEQ ID NO: 374) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-135a-3p".

[0224] The term "hsa-miR-4486 gene" or "hsa-miR-4486" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4486 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019020) described in SEQ ID NO: 177, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4486 gene can be obtained by a method described in Jima DD et al., 2010, Blood, Vol. 116, e118-e127. Also, "hsa-mir-4486" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016847, SEQ ID NO: 375) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4486".

[0225] The term "hsa-miR-4697-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-4697-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4697-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019791) described in SEQ ID NO: 178, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4697-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Persson H et al., 2011, Cancer Res, Vol. 71, p. 78-86. Also, "hsa-mir-4697" (miRBase Accession No. MI0017330, SEQ ID NO: 376) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4697-5p".

[0226] The term "hsa-miR-4725-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-4725-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4725-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019844) described in SEQ ID NO: 179, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4725-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Persson H et al., 2011,

Cancer Res, Vol. 71, p. 78-86. Also, "hsa-mir-4725" (miRBase Accession No. MI0017362, SEQ ID NO: 377) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4725-3p".

[0227] The term "hsa-miR-6510-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6510-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6510-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0025476) described in SEQ ID NO: 180, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6510-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Joyce CE et al., 2011, Hum Mol Genet, Vol. 20, p. 4025-4040. Also, "hsa-mir-6510" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022222, SEQ ID NO: 378) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6510-5p".

[0228] The term "hsa-miR-5001-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-5001-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-5001-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0021021) described in SEQ ID NO: 181, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-5001-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Hansen TB et al., 2011, RNA Biol, Vol. 8, p. 378-383. Also, "hsa-mir-5001" (miRBase Accession No. MI0017867, SEQ ID NO: 379) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-5001-5p".

[0229] The term "hsa-miR-4673 gene" or "hsa-miR-4673" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4673 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019755) described in SEQ ID NO: 182, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4673 gene can be obtained by a method described in Persson H et al., 2011, Cancer Res, Vol. 71, p. 78-86. Also, "hsa-mir-4673" (miRBase Accession No. MI0017304, SEQ ID NO: 380) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4673".

[0230] The term "hsa-miR-4466 gene" or "hsa-miR-4466" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4466 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0018993) described in SEQ ID NO: 183, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4466 gene can be obtained by a method described in Jima DD et al., 2010, Blood, Vol. 116, e118-e127. Also, "hsa-mir-4466" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016817, SEQ ID NO: 381) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4466".

[0231] The term "hsa-miR-23a-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-23a-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-23a-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0000078) described in SEQ ID NO: 184, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-23a-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Lagos-Quintana M et al., 2001, Science, Vol. 294, p. 853-858. Also, "hsa-mir-23a" (miRBase Accession No. MI0000079, SEQ ID NO: 382) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-23a-3p".

[0232] The term "hsa-miR-3656 gene" or "hsa-miR-3656" used herein includes the hsa-miR-3656 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0018076) described in SEQ ID NO: 185, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-3656 gene can be obtained by a method described in Meiri E et al., 2010, Nucleic Acids Res, Vol. 38, p. 6234-6246. Also, "hsa-mir-3656" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016056, SEQ ID NO: 383) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-3656".

[0233] The term "hsa-miR-6782-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6782-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6782-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027464) described in SEQ ID NO: 186, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6782-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6782" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022627, SEQ ID NO: 384) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6782-5p".

[0234] The term "hsa-miR-4689 gene" or "hsa-miR-4689" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4689 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019778) described in SEQ ID NO: 187, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4689 gene can be obtained by a method described in Persson H et al., 2011, Cancer Res, Vol. 71, p. 78-86. Also, "hsa-mir-4689" (miRBase Accession No. MI0017322, SEQ ID NO: 385) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4689".

[0235] The term "hsa-miR-451a gene" or "hsa-miR-451a" used herein includes the hsa-miR-451a gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0001631) described in SEQ ID NO: 188, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-451a gene can be obtained by a method described in Altuvia Y et al., 2005, Nucleic Acids Res, Vol. 33, p. 2697-2706. Also, "hsa-mir-451a" (miRBase Accession No. MI0001729, SEQ ID NO: 386) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-451a".

[0236] The term "hsa-miR-4446-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-4446-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4446-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0018965) described in SEQ ID NO: 189, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4446-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Jima DD et al., 2010, Blood, Vol. 116, e118-e127. Also, "hsa-mir-4446" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016789, SEQ ID NO: 387) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4446-3p".

[0237] The term "hsa-miR-3180-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-3180-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-3180-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0015058) described in SEQ ID NO: 190, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-3180-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Creighton CJ et al., 2010, PLoS One, Vol. 5, e9637. Also, "hsa-mir-3180-1, hsa-mir-3180-2, and hsa-mir-3180-3" (miRBase Accession Nos. MI0014214, MI0014215, and MI0014217, SEQ ID NOs: 388, 389, and 390) having a hairpin-like structure are known as precursors of "hsa-miR-3180-3p".

[0238] The term "hsa-miR-642a-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-642a-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-642a-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0020924) described in SEQ ID NO: 191, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-642a-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Cummins JM et al., 2006, Proc Natl Acad Sci USA, Vol. 103, p. 3687-3692. Also, "hsa-mir-642a" (miRBase Accession No. MI0003657, SEQ ID NO: 391) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-642a-3p".

[0239] The term "hsa-miR-6889-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6889-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6889-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027678) described in SEQ ID NO: 192, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6889-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6889" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022736, SEQ ID NO: 392) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6889-5p".

[0240] The term "hsa-miR-3178 gene" or "hsa-miR-3178" used herein includes the hsa-miR-3178 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0015055) described in SEQ ID NO: 193, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-3178 gene can be obtained by a method described in Stark MS et al., 2010, PLoS One, Vol. 5, e9685. Also, "hsa-mir-3178" (miRBase Accession No. MI0014212, SEQ ID NO: 393) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-3178".

[0241] The term "hsa-miR-4665-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-4665-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4665-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019739) described in SEQ ID NO: 194, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4665-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Persson H et al., 2011, Cancer Res, Vol. 71, p. 78-86. Also, "hsa-mir-4665" (miRBase Accession No. MI0017295, SEQ ID NO: 323) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4665-5p".

[0242] The term "hsa-miR-6722-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-6722-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6722-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0025854) described in SEQ ID NO: 195, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6722-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Li Y et al., 2012, Gene, Vol. 497, p. 330-335. Also, "hsa-mir-6722" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022557, SEQ ID NO: 394) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6722-3p".

[0243] The term "hsa-miR-30c-1-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-30c-1-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-30c-1-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0004674) described in SEQ ID NO: 196, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-30c-1-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Lagos-Quintana M et al., 2002, Curr Biol, Vol. 12, p. 735-739. Also, "hsa-mir-30c-1" (miRBase Accession No. MI0000736, SEQ ID NO: 395) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-30c-1-3p".

[0244] The term "hsa-miR-4507 gene" or "hsa-miR-4507" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4507 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019044) described in SEQ ID NO: 197, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4507 gene can be obtained by a method described in Jima DD et al., 2010, Blood, Vol. 116, e118-e127. Also, "hsa-mir-4507" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016871, SEQ ID NO: 396) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4507".

[0245] The term "hsa-miR-3141 gene" or "hsa-miR-3141" used herein includes the hsa-miR-3141 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0015010) described in SEQ ID NO: 198, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-3141 gene can be obtained by a method described in Stark MS et al., 2010, PLoS One, Vol. 5, e9685. Also, "hsa-mir-3141" (miRBase Accession No. MI0014165, SEQ ID NO: 397) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-3141".

[0246] The term "hsa-miR-1199-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-1199-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-1199-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0031119) described in SEQ ID NO: 199, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-1199-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Salvi A et al., 2013, Int J Oncol, Vol. 42, p. 391-402. Also, "hsa-mir-1199" (miRBase Accession No. MI0020340, SEQ ID NO: 398) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-1199-5p".

[0247] The term "hsa-miR-6794-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6794-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6794-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027488) described in SEQ ID NO: 635, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6794-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6794" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022639, SEQ ID NO: 643) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6794-5p".

[0248] The term "hsa-miR-6774-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6774-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6774-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027448) described in SEQ ID NO: 636, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6774-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res, Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6774" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022619, SEQ ID NO: 644) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6774-5p".

[0249] The term "hsa-miR-4707-3p gene" or "hsa-miR-4707-3p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4707-3p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019808) described in SEQ ID NO: 637, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4707-3p gene can be obtained by a method described in Persson H et al., 2011,

Cancer Res, Vol. 71, p. 78-86. Also, "hsa-mir-4707" (miRBase Accession No. MI0017340, SEQ ID NO: 645) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4707-3p".

[0250] The term "hsa-miR-4534 gene" or "hsa-miR-4534" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4534 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0019073) described in SEQ ID NO: 638, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4534 gene can be obtained by a method described in Jima DD et al., 2010, Blood., Vol. 116, e118-e127. Also, "hsa-mir-4534" (miRBase Accession No. MI0016901, SEQ ID NO: 646) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4534".

[0251] The term "hsa-miR-4294 gene" or "hsa-miR-4294" used herein includes the hsa-miR-4294 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0016849) described in SEQ ID NO: 639, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-4294 gene can be obtained by a method described in Goff LA et al., 2009, PLoS One., Vol. 4, e7192. Also, "hsa-mir-4294" (miRBase Accession No. MI0015827, SEQ ID NO: 647) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-4294".

[0252] The term "hsa-miR-6850-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-6850-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6850-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0027600) described in SEQ ID NO: 640, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6850-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Ladewig E et al., 2012, Genome Res., Vol. 22, p. 1634-1645. Also, "hsa-mir-6850" (miRBase Accession No. MI0022696, SEQ ID NO: 648) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-6850-5p".

[0253] The term "hsa-miR-6089 gene" or "hsa-miR-6089" used herein includes the hsa-miR-6089 gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0023714) described in SEQ ID NO: 641, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-6089 gene can be obtained by a method described in Yoo JK et al., 2012, Stem Cells Dev, Vol. 21, p. 2049-2057. Also, "hsa-mir-6089-1 and hsa-mir-6089-2" (miRBase Accession Nos. MI0020366 and MI0023563, SEQ ID NOs: 649 and 650) having a hairpin-like structure are known as precursors of "hsa-miR-6089".

[0254] The term "hsa-miR-671-5p gene" or "hsa-miR-671-5p" used herein includes the hsa-miR-671-5p gene (miRBase Accession No. MIMAT0003880) described in SEQ ID NO: 642, a homolog or an ortholog of a different organism species, and the like. The hsa-miR-671-5p gene can be obtained by a method described in Berezikov E et al., 2006, Genome Res, Vol. 16, p. 1289-1298. Also, "hsa-mir-671" (miRBase Accession No. MI0003760, SEQ ID NO: 651) having a hairpin-like structure is known as a precursor of "hsa-miR-671-5p".

[0255] A mature miRNA may become a variant due to the sequence cleaved shorter or longer by one to several flanking nucleotides or due to substitution of nucleotides when cleaved as the mature miRNA from its RNA precursor having a hairpin-like structure. This variant is called isomiR (Morin RD. et al., 2008, Genome Res., Vol. 18, p. 610-621). The miRBase Release 20 shows the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 199 and 635 to 642 as well as a large number of the nucleotide sequence variants and fragments represented by SEQ ID NOs: 399 to 634 and 652 to 657, called isomiRs. These variants can also be obtained as miRNAs having a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 199 and 635 to 642.

[0256] Specifically, among the variants of polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 3, 4, 11, 13, 14, 18, 20, 21, 26, 29, 35, 36, 39, 41, 42, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 51, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 62, 65, 66, 67, 68, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 78, 82, 83, 88, 90, 91, 92, 94, 95, 98, 99, 101, 102, 103, 104, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 113, 116, 117, 118, 120, 121, 122, 123, 125, 128, 129, 130, 131, 137, 140, 141, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 150, 152, 153, 156, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 174, 175, 176, 177, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 193, 194, 196, 197, 198, 637, 641 and 642 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t according to the present invention, examples of the longest variants registered in the miRBase Release 20 include polynucleotides represented by SEQ ID NOs: 399, 401, 403, 405, 407, 409, 411, 413, 415, 417, 419, 421, 423, 425, 427, 429, 431, 433, 435, 437, 439, 441, 443, 445, 447, 449, 451, 453, 455, 457, 459, 461, 463, 465, 467, 469, 471, 473, 475, 477, 479, 481, 483, 485, 487, 489, 491, 493, 495, 497, 499, 501, 503, 505, 507, 509, 511, 513, 515, 517, 519, 521, 523, 525, 527, 529, 531, 533, 535, 537, 539, 541, 543, 545, 547, 549, 551, 553, 555, 557, 559, 561, 563, 565, 567, 569, 571, 573, 575, 577, 579, 581, 583, 585, 587, 589, 591, 593, 595, 597, 599, 601, 603, 605, 607, 609, 611, 613, 615, 617, 619, 621, 623, 625, 627, 629, 631, 633, 652, 654 and 656, respectively.

[0257] Also, among the variants of polynucleotides consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 3, 4, 11, 13, 14, 18, 20, 21, 26, 29, 35, 36, 39, 41, 42, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 51, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 62, 65, 66, 67, 68, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 78, 82, 83, 88, 90, 91, 92, 94, 95, 98, 99, 101, 102, 103, 104, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 113, 116, 117, 118, 120, 121, 122, 123, 125, 128, 129, 130, 131, 137, 140, 141, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 150, 152, 153, 156, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 174, 175, 176, 177, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 193, 194, 196, 197, 198, 637, 641 and 642 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t according to the present invention, examples of the shortest variants registered in the miRBase Release 20 include polynucleotides having sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs: 400, 402, 404, 406, 408, 410, 412, 414, 416, 418, 420, 422, 424, 426, 428, 430, 432, 434, 436, 438, 440, 442, 444, 446, 448, 450, 452, 454, 456, 458, 460, 462, 464, 466, 468, 470, 472, 474, 476, 478, 480, 482, 484, 486, 488, 490, 492, 494, 496,

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[0258] The terms and miRBase Accession Nos. (registration numbers) of the genes represented by SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 657 are shown in Table 1.

[0259] The term "capable of specifically binding" used herein means that the nucleic acid probe or the primer used in the present invention binds to a particular target nucleic acid and cannot substantially bind to other nucleic acids.

[Table 1]

SEQ ID NO:	Gene name	miRBase registration No.
1	hsa-miR-4257	MIMAT0016878
2	hsa-miR-6726-5p	MIMAT0027353
3	hsa-miR-1343-3p	MIMAT0019776
4	hsa-miR-1247-3p	MIMAT0022721
5	hsa-miR-6787-5p	MIMAT0027474
6	hsa-miR-6875-5p	MIMAT0027650
7	hsa-miR-1225-3p	MIMAT0005573
8	hsa-miR-8063	MIMAT0030990
9	hsa-miR-6781-5p	MIMAT0027462
10	hsa-miR-4746-3p	MIMAT0019881
11	hsa-miR-1908-5p	MIMAT0007881
12	hsa-miR-6756-5p	MIMAT0027412
13	hsa-miR-204-3p	MIMAT0022693
14	hsa-miR-4651	MIMAT0019715
15	hsa-miR-6757-5p	MIMAT0027414
16	hsa-miR-6825-5p	MIMAT0027550
17	hsa-miR-7108-5p	MIMAT0028113
18	hsa-miR-4792	MIMAT0019964
19	hsa-miR-7641	MIMAT0029782
20	hsa-miR-3188	MIMAT0015070
21	hsa-miR-3131	MIMAT0014996
22	hsa-miR-6780b-5p	MIMAT0027572
23	hsa-miR-8069	MIMAT0030996
24	hsa-miR-6840-3p	MIMAT0027583
25	hsa-miR-8072	MIMAT0030999
26	hsa-miR-1233-5p	MIMAT0022943
27	hsa-miR-6887-5p	MIMAT0027674
28	hsa-miR-1231	MIMAT0005586
29	hsa-miR-5572	MIMAT0022260
30	hsa-miR-6738-5p	MIMAT0027377

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34	hsa-miR-6741-5p	MIMAT0027383
35	hsa-miR-128-1-5p	MIMAT0026477
36	hsa-miR-4419b	MIMAT0019034
37	hsa-miR-6746-5p	MIMAT0027392
38	hsa-miR-3184-5p	MIMAT0015064
39	hsa-miR-3679-5p	MIMAT0018104
40	hsa-miR-7110-5p	MIMAT0028117
41	hsa-miR-4516	MIMAT0019053
42	hsa-miR-6717-5p	MIMAT0025846
43	hsa-miR-6826-5p	MIMAT0027552
44	hsa-miR-4433b-3p	MIMAT0030414
45	hsa-miR-3679-3p	MIMAT0018105
46	hsa-miR-3135b	MIMAT0018985
47	hsa-miR-3622a-5p	MIMAT0018003
48	hsa-miR-711	MIMAT0012734
49	hsa-miR-4467	MIMAT0018994
50	hsa-miR-6857-5p	MIMAT0027614
51	hsa-miR-6515-3p	MIMAT0025487
52	hsa-miR-1225-5p	MIMAT0005572
53	hsa-miR-187-5p	MIMAT0004561
54	hsa-miR-3185	MIMAT0015065
55	hsa-miR-642b-3p	MIMAT0018444
56	hsa-miR-1249	MIMAT0005901
57	hsa-miR-744-5p	MIMAT0004945
58	hsa-miR-4442	MIMAT0018960
59	hsa-miR-1228-3p	MIMAT0005583
60	hsa-miR-939-5p	MIMAT0004982
61	hsa-miR-6845-5p	MIMAT0027590
62	hsa-miR-887-3p	MIMAT0004951
63	hsa-miR-7845-5p	MIMAT0030420
64	hsa-miR-6729-5p	MIMAT0027359
65	hsa-miR-4632-5p	MIMAT0022977
66	hsa-miR-615-5p	MIMAT0004804
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72	hsa-miR-6088	MIMAT0023713
73	hsa-miR-7975	MIMAT0031178
74	hsa-miR-3197	MIMAT0015082
75	hsa-miR-6125	MIMAT0024598
76	hsa-miR-4433-3p	MIMAT0018949
77	hsa-miR-6727-5p	MIMAT0027355
78	hsa-miR-4706	MIMAT0019806
79	hsa-miR-7847-3p	MIMAT0030422
80	hsa-miR-6805-3p	MIMAT0027511
81	hsa-miR-6766-3p	MIMAT0027433
82	hsa-miR-1913	MIMAT0007888
83	hsa-miR-4649-5p	MIMAT0019711
84	hsa-miR-602	MIMAT0003270
85	hsa-miR-3663-3p	MIMAT0018085
86	hsa-miR-6893-5p	MIMAT0027686
87	hsa-miR-6861-5p	MIMAT0027623
88	hsa-miR-4449	MIMAT0018968
89	hsa-miR-6842-5p	MIMAT0027586
90	hsa-miR-4454	MIMAT0018976
91	hsa-miR-5195-3p	MIMAT0021127
92	hsa-miR-663b	MIMAT0005867
93	hsa-miR-6765-5p	MIMAT0027430
94	hsa-miR-4513	MIMAT0019050
95	hsa-miR-614	MIMAT0003282
96	hsa-miR-6785-5p	MIMAT0027470
97	hsa-miR-6777-5p	MIMAT0027454
98	hsa-miR-940	MIMAT0004983
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101	hsa-miR-6131	MIMAT0024615
102	hsa-miR-150-3p	MIMAT0004610
103	hsa-miR-4707-5p	MIMAT0019807
104	hsa-miR-1915-3p	MIMAT0007892
105	hsa-miR-3937	MIMAT0018352
106	hsa-miR-937-5p	MIMAT0022938

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111	hsa-miR-1227-5p	MIMAT0022941
112	hsa-miR-6880-5p	MIMAT0027660
113	hsa-miR-4417	MIMAT0018929
114	hsa-miR-6802-5p	MIMAT0027504
115	hsa-miR-6769a-5p	MIMAT0027438
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121	hsa-miR-371a-5p	MIMAT0004687
122	hsa-miR-6126	MIMAT0024599
123	hsa-miR-4734	MIMAT0019859
124	hsa-miR-4665-3p	MIMAT0019740
125	hsa-miR-423-5p	MIMAT0004748
126	hsa-miR-1469	MIMAT0007347
127	hsa-miR-4675	MIMAT0019757
128	hsa-miR-1915-5p	MIMAT0007891
129	hsa-miR-6716-5p	MIMAT0025844
130	hsa-miR-718	MIMAT0012735
131	hsa-miR-4281	MIMAT0016907
132	hsa-miR-6820-5p	MIMAT0027540
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135	hsa-miR-7109-5p	MIMAT0028115
136	hsa-miR-6798-5p	MIMAT0027496
137	hsa-miR-4648	MIMAT0019710
138	hsa-miR-8059	MIMAT0030986
139	hsa-miR-6765-3p	MIMAT0027431
140	hsa-miR-6132	MIMAT0024616
141	hsa-miR-4492	MIMAT0019027
142	hsa-miR-7107-5p	MIMAT0028111
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148	hsa-miR-6848-5p	MIMAT0027596
149	hsa-miR-762	MIMAT0010313
150	hsa-miR-2861	MIMAT0013802
151	hsa-miR-1203	MIMAT0005866
152	hsa-miR-1260b	MIMAT0015041
153	hsa-miR-4476	MIMAT0019003
154	hsa-miR-6885-5p	MIMAT0027670
155	hsa-miR-6769b-5p	MIMAT0027620
156	hsa-miR-23b-3p	MIMAT0000418
157	hsa-miR-1343-5p	MIMAT0027038
158	hsa-miR-3621	MIMAT0018002
159	hsa-miR-4688	MIMAT0019777
160	hsa-miR-4286	MIMAT0016916
161	hsa-miR-4640-5p	MIMAT0019699
162	hsa-miR-4739	MIMAT0019868
163	hsa-miR-1260a	MIMAT0005911
164	hsa-miR-4276	MIMAT0016904
165	hsa-miR-7106-5p	MIMAT0028109
166	hsa-miR-128-2-5p	MIMAT0031095
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177	hsa-miR-4486	MIMAT0019020
178	hsa-miR-4697-5p	MIMAT0019791
179	hsa-miR-4725-3p	MIMAT0019844
180	hsa-miR-6510-5p	MIMAT0025476
181	hsa-miR-5001-5p	MIMAT0021021
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186	hsa-miR-6782-5p	MIMAT0027464
187	hsa-miR-4689	MIMAT0019778
188	hsa-miR-451a	MIMAT0001631
189	hsa-miR-4446-3p	MIMAT0018965
190	hsa-miR-3180-3p	MIMAT0015058
191	hsa-miR-642a-3p	MIMAT0020924
192	hsa-miR-6889-5p	MIMAT0027678
193	hsa-miR-3178	MIMAT0015055
194	hsa-miR-4665-5p	MIMAT0019739
195	hsa-miR-6722-3p	MIMAT0025854
196	hsa-miR-30c-1-3p	MIMAT0004674
197	hsa-miR-4507	MIMAT0019044
198	hsa-miR-3141	MIMAT0015010
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206	hsa-mir-1225	MI0006311
207	hsa-mir-8063	MI0025899
208	hsa-mir-6781	MI0022626
209	hsa-mir-4746	M10017385
210	hsa-mir-1908	MI0008329
211	hsa-mir-6756	MI0022601
212	hsa-mir-204	MI0000284
213	hsa-mir-4651	MI0017279
214	hsa-mir-6757	MI0022602
215	hsa-mir-6825	MI0022670
216	hsa-mir-7108	MI0022959
217	hsa-mir-4792	MI0017439
218	hsa-mir-7641-1	MI0024975
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225	hsa-mir-8072	MI0025908
226	hsa-mir-1233-1	MI0006323
227	hsa-mir-1233-2	M10015973
228	hsa-mir-6887	MI0022734
229	hsa-mir-1231	MI0006321
230	hsa-mir-5572	MI0019117
231	hsa-mir-6738	MI0022583
232	hsa-mir-6784	MI0022629
233	hsa-mir-6791	MI0022636
234	hsa-mir-6749	MI0022594
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236	hsa-mir-128-1	MI0000447
237	hsa-mir-4419b	MI0016861
238	hsa-mir-6746	MI0022591
239	hsa-mir-3184	MI0014226
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241	hsa-mir-7110	MI0022961
242	hsa-mir-4516	MI0016882
243	hsa-mir-6717	MI0022551
244	hsa-mir-6826	MI0022671
245	hsa-mir-4433b	MI0025511
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249	hsa-mir-4467	MI0016818
250	hsa-mir-6857	MI0022703
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252	hsa-mir-187	MI0000274
253	hsa-mir-3185	MI0014227
254	hsa-mir-642b	MI0016685
255	hsa-mir-1249	MI0006384
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263	hsa-mir-6729	MI0022574
264	hsa-mir-4632	MI0017259
265	hsa-mir-615	MI0003628
266	hsa-mir-6724	MI0022559
267	hsa-mir-4728	MI0017365
268	hsa-mir-6732	MI0022577
269	hsa-mir-6816	MI0022661
270	hsa-mir-4695	MI0017328
271	hsa-mir-6088	MI0020365
272	hsa-mir-7975	MI0025751
273	hsa-mir-3197	MI0014245
274	hsa-mir-6125	MI0021259
275	hsa-mir-4433	MI0016773
276	hsa-mir-6727	MI0022572
277	hsa-mir-4706	MI0017339
278	hsa-mir-7847	MI0025517
279	hsa-mir-6805	MI0022650
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281	hsa-mir-1913	MI0008334
282	hsa-mir-4649	MI0017276
283	hsa-mir-602	MI0003615
284	hsa-mir-3663	MI0016064
285	hsa-mir-6893	MI0022740
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287	hsa-mir-4449	MI0016792
288	hsa-mir-6842	MI0022688
289	hsa-mir-4454	MI0016800
290	hsa-mir-5195	MI0018174
291	hsa-mir-663b	MI0006336
292	hsa-mir-6765	MI0022610
293	hsa-mir-4513	MI0016879
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305	hsa-mir-937	MI0005759
306	hsa-mir-4443	MI0016786
307	hsa-mir-1914	MI0008335
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314	hsa-mir-6769a	MI0022614
315	hsa-mir-663a	MI0003672
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318	hsa-mir-7977	MI0025753
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324	hsa-mir-423	MI0001445
325	hsa-mir-1469	MI0007074
326	hsa-mir-4675	MI0017306
327	hsa-mir-6716	MI0022550
328	hsa-mir-718	MI0012489
329	hsa-mir-4281	MI0015885
330	hsa-mir-6820	MI0022665
331	hsa-mir-6795	MI0022640
332	hsa-mir-6779	MI0022624
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334	hsa-mir-6798	MI0022643

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339	hsa-mir-7107	MI0022958
340	hsa-mir-3195	MI0014240
341	hsa-mir-3180-4	MI0016408
342	hsa-mir-3180-5	MI0016409
343	hsa-mir-296	MI0000747
344	hsa-mir-564	MI0003570
345	hsa-mir-1268a	MI0006405
346	hsa-mir-6848	MI0022694
347	hsa-mir-762	MI0003892
348	hsa-mir-2861	MI0013006
349	hsa-mir-1203	MI0006335
350	hsa-mir-1260b	MI0014197
351	hsa-mir-4476	MI0016828
352	hsa-mir-6885	MI0022732
353	hsa-mir-6769b	MI0022706
354	hsa-mir-23b	MI0000439
355	hsa-mir-3621	MI0016012
356	hsa-mir-4688	M10017321
357	hsa-mir-4286	MI0015894
358	hsa-mir-4640	MI0017267
359	hsa-mir-4739	MI0017377
360	hsa-mir-1260a	MI0006394
361	hsa-mir-4276	MI0015882
362	hsa-mir-7106	MI0022957
363	hsa-mir-128-2	MI0000727
364	hsa-mir-125a	MI0000469
365	hsa-mir-92a-2	MI0000094
366	hsa-mir-486	MI0002470
367	hsa-mir-486-2	MI0023622
368	hsa-mir-3196	MI0014241
369	hsa-mir-211	MI0000287
370	hsa-mir-4271	MI0015879
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377	hsa-mir-4725	MI0017362
378	hsa-mir-6510	MI0022222
379	hsa-mir-5001	MI0017867
380	hsa-mir-4673	MI0017304
381	hsa-mir-4466	MI0016817
382	hsa-mir-23a	MI0000079
383	hsa-mir-3656	MI0016056
384	hsa-mir-6782	MI0022627
385	hsa-mir-4689	MI0017322
386	hsa-mir-451a	MI0001729
387	hsa-mir-4446	MI0016789
388	hsa-mir-3180-1	MI0014214
389	hsa-mir-3180-2	MI0014215
390	hsa-mir-3180-3	MI0014217
391	hsa-mir-642a	MI0003657
392	hsa-mir-6889	MI0022736
393	hsa-mir-3178	MI0014212
394	hsa-mir-6722	MI0022557
395	hsa-mir-30c-1	MI0000736
396	hsa-mir-4507	MI0016871
397	hsa-mir-3141	MI0014165
398	hsa-mir-1199	MI0020340
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638	hsa-miR-4534	MIMAT0019073

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645	hsa-mir-4707	MI0017340
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[0260] The present specification encompasses the contents described in the specifications and/or drawings of Japanese Patent Application Nos. 2014-123224 and 2015-071485 from which the present application claims priority.

Advantageous Effects of Invention

[0261] According to the present invention, stomach cancer can be detected easily and in high accuracy.

[0262] For example, the presence or absence of stomach cancer in a patient(s) can be easily detected by using, as an indicator(s), the measurement values of several miRNAs in blood, serum, and/or plasma of the patient(s), which can be collected with limited invasiveness.

Brief Description of Drawings

[0263]

[Figure 1] This figure shows the relationship between the nucleotide sequences of hsa-miR-1225-3p represented by SEQ ID NO: 7 and hsa-miR-1225-5p represented by SEQ ID NO: 52, which are produced from a precursor hsa-mir-1225 represented by SEQ ID NO: 206.

[Figure 2] Left diagram: the measurement values of hsa-miR-4257 (SEQ ID NO: 1) in healthy subjects (100 persons) and stomach cancer patients (34 persons) selected as a training cohort were each plotted on the ordinate. The horizontal line in the diagram depicts a threshold (6.29) that was optimized by Fisher's discriminant analysis and discriminated between the two groups. Right diagram: the measurement values of hsa-miR-4257 (SEQ ID NO: 1) in healthy subjects (50 persons) and stomach cancer patients (16 persons) selected as a validation cohort were each plotted on the ordinate. The horizontal line in the diagram depicts the threshold (6.29) that was set in the training cohort and discriminated between the two groups.

[Figure 3] Left diagram: the measurement values of hsa-miR-4257 (SEQ ID NO: 1) in healthy subjects (100 persons, circles) and stomach cancer patients (34 persons, triangles) selected as a training cohort were each plotted on the

abscissa against their measurement values of hsa-miR-6726-5p (SEQ ID NO: 2) on the ordinate. The line in the diagram depicts a discriminant function ($0 = 0.83x + y - 14.78$) that was optimized by Fisher's discriminant analysis and discriminated between the two groups. Right diagram: the measurement values of hsa-miR-4257 (SEQ ID NO: 1) in healthy subjects (50 persons, circles) and stomach cancer patients (16 persons, triangles) selected as a validation cohort were each plotted on the abscissa against their measurement values of hsa-miR-6726-5p (SEQ ID NO: 2) on the ordinate. The line in the diagram depicts the threshold ($0 = 0.83x + y - 14.78$) that was set for the training cohort and discriminated between the two groups.

[Figure 4] Upper diagram: a discriminant ($2.51 \times \text{hsa-miR-6781-5p} - 0.63 \times \text{hsa-miR-4419b} + 0.98 \times \text{hsa-miR-940} + 0.63 \times \text{hsa-miR-4294} - 0.70 \times \text{hsa-miR-6769b-5p} + 0.85 \times \text{hsa-miR-1914-3p} - 37.81$) was prepared by use of Fisher's discriminant analysis from the measurement values of hsa-miR-6781-5p (SEQ ID NO: 9), hsa-miR-204-3p (SEQ ID NO: 13), hsa-miR-3195 (SEQ ID NO: 143), hsa-miR-6769b-5p (SEQ ID NO: 155), hsa-miR-4665-5p (SEQ ID NO: 194), and hsa-miR-4294 (SEQ ID NO: 639) in 34 stomach cancer patients, 102 healthy subjects, 63 pancreatic cancer patients, 65 bile duct cancer patients, 35 colorectal cancer patients, 32 liver cancer patients, and 17 benign pancreaticobiliary disease patients selected as a training cohort, and discriminant scores obtained from the discriminant were plotted on the ordinate against the sample groups on the abscissa. The dotted line in the diagram depicts a discriminant boundary that offered a discriminant score of 0 and discriminated between the groups. Lower diagram: discriminant scores obtained from the discriminant prepared from the training cohort as to the measurement values of hsa-miR-6781-5p (SEQ ID NO: 9), hsa-miR-204-3p (SEQ ID NO: 13), hsa-miR-3195 (SEQ ID NO: 143), hsa-miR-6769b-5p (SEQ ID NO: 155), hsa-miR-4665-5p (SEQ ID NO: 194), and hsa-miR-4294 (SEQ ID NO: 639) in 16 stomach cancer patients, 48 healthy subjects, 37 pancreatic cancer patients, 33 bile duct cancer patients, 15 colorectal cancer patients, 20 liver cancer patients, and 4 benign pancreaticobiliary disease patients selected as a validation cohort were plotted on the ordinate against the sample groups on the abscissa. The dotted line in the diagram depicts the discriminant boundary that offered a discriminant score of 0 and discriminated between both of the groups.

Description of Embodiments

[0264] Hereinafter, the present invention will be further described in detail.

1. Target nucleic acid for stomach cancer

[0265] Primary target nucleic acids as a stomach cancer marker(s) for detecting the presence and/or absence of stomach cancer or stomach cancer cells using the nucleic acid probe(s) or the primer(s) for the detection of stomach cancer defined above according to the present invention comprises at least one or more miRNAs selected from the group consisting of hsa-miR-4257, hsa-miR-6726-5p, hsa-miR-1343-3p, hsa-miR-1247-3p, hsa-miR-6787-5p, hsa-miR-6875-5p, hsa-miR-1225-3p, hsa-miR-8063, hsa-miR-6781-5p, hsa-miR-4746-3p, hsa-miR-1908-5p, hsa-miR-6756-5p, hsa-miR-204-3p, hsa-miR-4651, hsa-miR-6757-5p, hsa-miR-6825-5p, hsa-miR-7108-5p, hsa-miR-4792, hsa-miR-7641, hsa-miR-3188, hsa-miR-3131, hsa-miR-6780b-5p, hsa-miR-8069, hsa-miR-6840-3p, hsa-miR-8072, hsa-miR-1233-5p, hsa-miR-6887-5p, hsa-miR-1231, hsa-miR-5572, hsa-miR-6738-5p, hsa-miR-6784-5p, hsa-miR-6791-5p, hsa-miR-6749-5p, hsa-miR-6741-5p, hsa-miR-128-1-5p, hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-6746-5p, hsa-miR-3184-5p, hsa-miR-3679-5p, hsa-miR-7110-5p, hsa-miR-4516, hsa-miR-6717-5p, hsa-miR-6826-5p, hsa-miR-4433b-3p, hsa-miR-3679-3p, hsa-miR-3135b, hsa-miR-3622a-5p, hsa-miR-711, hsa-miR-4467, hsa-miR-6857-5p, hsa-miR-6515-3p, hsa-miR-1225-5p, hsa-miR-187-5p, hsa-miR-3185, hsa-miR-642b-3p, hsa-miR-1249, hsa-miR-744-5p, hsa-miR-4442, hsa-miR-1228-3p, hsa-miR-939-5p, hsa-miR-6845-5p, hsa-miR-887-3p, hsa-miR-7845-5p, hsa-miR-6729-5p, hsa-miR-4632-5p, hsa-miR-615-5p, hsa-miR-6724-5p, hsa-miR-4728-5p, hsa-miR-6732-5p, hsa-miR-6816-5p, hsa-miR-4695-5p, hsa-miR-6088, hsa-miR-7975, hsa-miR-3197, hsa-miR-6125, hsa-miR-4433-3p, hsa-miR-6727-5p, hsa-miR-4706, hsa-miR-7847-3p, hsa-miR-6805-3p, hsa-miR-6766-3p, hsa-miR-1913, hsa-miR-4649-5p, hsa-miR-602, hsa-miR-3663-3p, hsa-miR-6893-5p, hsa-miR-6861-5p, hsa-miR-4449, hsa-miR-6842-5p, hsa-miR-4454, hsa-miR-5195-3p, hsa-miR-663b, hsa-miR-6765-5p, hsa-miR-4513, hsa-miR-614, hsa-miR-6785-5p, hsa-miR-6777-5p, hsa-miR-940, hsa-miR-4741, hsa-miR-6870-5p, hsa-miR-6131, hsa-miR-150-3p, hsa-miR-4707-5p, hsa-miR-1915-3p, hsa-miR-3937, hsa-miR-937-5p, hsa-miR-4443, hsa-miR-1914-3p, hsa-miR-3620-5p, hsa-miR-1268b, hsa-miR-1227-5p, hsa-miR-6880-5p, hsa-miR-4417, hsa-miR-6802-5p, hsa-miR-6769a-5p, hsa-miR-663a, hsa-miR-6721-5p, hsa-miR-4532, hsa-miR-7977, hsa-miR-92b-5p, hsa-miR-371a-5p, hsa-miR-6126, hsa-miR-4734, hsa-miR-4665-3p, hsa-miR-423-5p, hsa-miR-1469, hsa-miR-4675, hsa-miR-1915-5p, hsa-miR-6716-5p, hsa-miR-718, hsa-miR-4281, hsa-miR-6820-5p, hsa-miR-6795-5p, hsa-miR-6779-5p, hsa-miR-7109-5p, hsa-miR-6798-5p, hsa-miR-4648, hsa-miR-8059, hsa-miR-6765-3p, hsa-miR-6132, hsa-miR-4492, hsa-miR-7107-5p, hsa-miR-3195, hsa-miR-3180, hsa-miR-296-3p, hsa-miR-564, hsa-miR-1268a, hsa-miR-6848-5p, hsa-miR-762, hsa-miR-2861, hsa-miR-1203, hsa-miR-1260b, hsa-miR-4476, hsa-miR-6885-5p, hsa-miR-6769b-5p, hsa-miR-23b-3p, hsa-miR-1343-5p, hsa-miR-3621, hsa-miR-4688, hsa-miR-4286, hsa-miR-4640-5p, hsa-

miR-4739, hsa-miR-1260a, hsa-miR-4276, hsa-miR-7106, hsa-miR-6794-5p, hsa-miR-6774-5p, hsa-miR-4707-3p, hsa-miR-4534, hsa-miR-4294, hsa-miR-6850-5p, hsa-miR-6089 and hsa-miR-671-5p. Furthermore, at least one or more miRNAs selected from the group consisting of other stomach cancer markers that can be combined with these miRNAs, i.e., hsa-miR-128-2-5p, hsa-miR-125a-3p, hsa-miR-92a-2-5p, and hsa-miR-486-3p can also be preferably used as a target nucleic acid. Moreover, at least one or more miRNAs selected from the group consisting of other stomach cancer markers that can be combined with these miRNAs, i.e., hsa-miR-3196, hsa-miR-211-3p, hsa-miR-4271, hsa-miR-6851-5p, hsa-miR-149-3p, hsa-miR-4667-5p, hsa-miR-135a-3p, hsa-miR-4486, hsa-miR-4697-5p, hsa-miR-4725-3p, hsa-miR-6510-5p, hsa-miR-5001-5p, hsa-miR-4673, hsa-miR-4466, hsa-miR-23a-3p, hsa-miR-3656, hsa-miR-6782-5p, hsa-miR-4689, hsa-miR-451a, hsa-miR-4446-3p, hsa-miR-3180-3p, hsa-miR-642a-3p, hsa-miR-6889-5p, hsa-miR-3178, hsa-miR-4665-5p, hsa-miR-6722-3p, hsa-miR-30c-1-3p, hsa-miR-4507, hsa-miR-3141 and hsa-miR-1199-5p can also be preferably used as a target nucleic acid(s).

[0266] These miRNAs include, for example, a human gene comprising a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 199 and 635 to 642 (i.e., hsa-miR-4257, hsa-miR-6726-5p, hsa-miR-1343-3p, hsa-miR-1247-3p, hsa-miR-6787-5p, hsa-miR-6875-5p, hsa-miR-1225-3p, hsa-miR-8063, hsa-miR-6781-5p, hsa-miR-4746-3p, hsa-miR-1908-5p, hsa-miR-6756-5p, hsa-miR-204-3p, hsa-miR-4651, hsa-miR-6757-5p, hsa-miR-6825-5p, hsa-miR-7108-5p, hsa-miR-4792, hsa-miR-7641, hsa-miR-3188, hsa-miR-3131, hsa-miR-6780b-5p, hsa-miR-8069, hsa-miR-6840-3p, hsa-miR-8072, hsa-miR-1233-5p, hsa-miR-6887-5p, hsa-miR-1231, hsa-miR-5572, hsa-miR-6738-5p, hsa-miR-6784-5p, hsa-miR-6791-5p, hsa-miR-6749-5p, hsa-miR-6741-5p, hsa-miR-128-1-5p, hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-6746-5p, hsa-miR-3184-5p, hsa-miR-3679-5p, hsa-miR-7110-5p, hsa-miR-4516, hsa-miR-6717-5p, hsa-miR-6826-5p, hsa-miR-4433b-3p, hsa-miR-3679-3p, hsa-miR-3135b, hsa-miR-3622a-5p, hsa-miR-711, hsa-miR-4467, hsa-miR-6857-5p, hsa-miR-6515-3p, hsa-miR-1225-5p, hsa-miR-187-5p, hsa-miR-3185, hsa-miR-642b-3p, hsa-miR-1249, hsa-miR-744-5p, hsa-miR-4442, hsa-miR-1228-3p, hsa-miR-939-5p, hsa-miR-6845-5p, hsa-miR-887-3p, hsa-miR-7845-5p, hsa-miR-6729-5p, hsa-miR-4632-5p, hsa-miR-615-5p, hsa-miR-6724-5p, hsa-miR-4728-5p, hsa-miR-6732-5p, hsa-miR-6816-5p, hsa-miR-4695-5p, hsa-miR-6088, hsa-miR-7975, hsa-miR-3197, hsa-miR-6125, hsa-miR-4433-3p, hsa-miR-6727-5p, hsa-miR-4706, hsa-miR-7847-3p, hsa-miR-6805-3p, hsa-miR-6766-3p, hsa-miR-1913, hsa-miR-4649-5p, hsa-miR-602, hsa-miR-3663-3p, hsa-miR-6893-5p, hsa-miR-6861-5p, hsa-miR-4449, hsa-miR-6842-5p, hsa-miR-4454, hsa-miR-5195-3p, hsa-miR-663b, hsa-miR-6765-5p, hsa-miR-4513, hsa-miR-614, hsa-miR-6785-5p, hsa-miR-6777-5p, hsa-miR-940, hsa-miR-4741, hsa-miR-6870-5p, hsa-miR-6131, hsa-miR-150-3p, hsa-miR-4707-5p, hsa-miR-1915-3p, hsa-miR-3937, hsa-miR-937-5p, hsa-miR-4443, hsa-miR-1914-3p, hsa-miR-3620-5p, hsa-miR-1268b, hsa-miR-1227-5p, hsa-miR-6880-5p, hsa-miR-4417, hsa-miR-6802-5p, hsa-miR-6769a-5p, hsa-miR-663a, hsa-miR-6721-5p, hsa-miR-4532, hsa-miR-7977, hsa-miR-92b-5p, hsa-miR-371a-5p, hsa-miR-6126, hsa-miR-4734, hsa-miR-4665-3p, hsa-miR-423-5p, hsa-miR-1469, hsa-miR-4675, hsa-miR-1915-5p, hsa-miR-6716-5p, hsa-miR-718, hsa-miR-4281, hsa-miR-6820-5p, hsa-miR-6795-5p, hsa-miR-6779-5p, hsa-miR-7109-5p, hsa-miR-6798-5p, hsa-miR-4648, hsa-miR-8059, hsa-miR-6765-3p, hsa-miR-6132, hsa-miR-4492, hsa-miR-7107-5p, hsa-miR-3195, hsa-miR-3180, hsa-miR-296-3p, hsa-miR-564, hsa-miR-1268a, hsa-miR-6848-5p, hsa-miR-762, hsa-miR-2861, hsa-miR-1203, hsa-miR-1260b, hsa-miR-4476, hsa-miR-6885-5p, hsa-miR-6769b-5p, hsa-miR-23b-3p, hsa-miR-1343-5p, hsa-miR-3621, hsa-miR-4688, hsa-miR-4286, hsa-miR-4640-5p, hsa-miR-4739, hsa-miR-1260a, hsa-miR-4276, hsa-miR-7106, hsa-miR-6794-5p, hsa-miR-6774-5p, hsa-miR-4707-3p, hsa-miR-4534, hsa-miR-4294, hsa-miR-6850-5p, hsa-miR-6089, hsa-miR-671-5p, hsa-miR-128-2-5p, hsa-miR-125a-3p, hsa-miR-92a-2-5p, hsa-miR-486-3p, hsa-miR-3196, hsa-miR-211-3p, hsa-miR-4271, hsa-miR-6851-5p, hsa-miR-149-3p, hsa-miR-4667-5p, hsa-miR-135a-3p, hsa-miR-4486, hsa-miR-4697-5p, hsa-miR-4725-3p, hsa-miR-6510-5p, hsa-miR-5001-5p, hsa-miR-4673, hsa-miR-4466, hsa-miR-23a-3p, hsa-miR-3656, hsa-miR-6782-5p, hsa-miR-4689, hsa-miR-451a, hsa-miR-4446-3p, hsa-miR-3180-3p, hsa-miR-642a-3p, hsa-miR-6889-5p, hsa-miR-3178, hsa-miR-4665-5p, hsa-miR-6722-3p, hsa-miR-30c-1-3p, hsa-miR-4507, hsa-miR-3141 and hsa-miR-1199-5p, respectively), a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, and a variant or a derivative thereof. In this context, the gene, the congener, the transcript, the variant, and the derivative are as defined above.

[0267] The target nucleic acid is preferably a human gene comprising a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 657 or a transcript thereof, more preferably the transcript, i.e., a miRNA or its precursor RNA (pri-miRNA or pre-miRNA).

[0268] The first target gene is the hsa-miR-4257 gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. None of the previously known reports show that change in the expression of the gene or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer.

[0269] The second target gene is the hsa-miR-6726-5p gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. None of the previously known reports show that change in the expression of the gene or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer.

[0270] The third target gene is the hsa-miR-1343-3p gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. None of the previously known reports show that change in the expression of the gene or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer.

[0271] The fourth target gene is the hsa-miR-1247-3p gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or

[0426] The 159th target gene is the hsa-miR-4688 gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. None of the previously known reports show that change in the expression of the gene or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer.

[0427] The 160th target gene is the hsa-miR-4286 gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. None of the previously known reports show that change in the expression of the gene or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer.

[0428] The 161st target gene is the hsa-miR-4640-5p gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. None of the previously known reports show that change in the expression of the gene or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer.

[0429] The 162nd target gene is the hsa-miR-4739 gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. None of the previously known reports show that change in the expression of the gene or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer.

[0430] The 163rd target gene is the hsa-miR-1260a gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. None of the previously known reports show that change in the expression of the gene or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer.

[0431] The 164th target gene is the hsa-miR-4276 gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. None of the previously known reports show that change in the expression of the gene or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer.

[0432] The 165th target gene is the hsa-miR-7106-5p gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. None of the previously known reports show that change in the expression of the gene or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer.

[0433] The 166th target gene is the hsa-miR-128-2-5p gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. The previously known report shows that change in the expression of the hsa-miR-128b (hsa-miR-128-2-3p) gene, which is derived from the same precursor, or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer (Patent Literature 2).

[0434] The 167th target gene is the hsa-miR-125a-3p gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. The previously known report shows that change in the expression of the gene or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer (Patent Literature 1).

[0435] The 168th target gene is the hsa-miR-92a-2-5p gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. The previously known report shows that change in the expression of the hsa-miR-92-2 (hsa-miR-92a-2-3p) gene, which is derived from the same precursor, or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer (Patent Literature 2).

[0436] The 169th target gene is the hsa-miR-486-3p gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. The previously known report shows that change in the expression of the hsa-miR-486-5p gene, which is derived from the same precursor, or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer (Patent Literature 3).

[0437] The 170th target gene is the hsa-miR-3196 gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. None of the previously known reports show that change in the expression of the gene or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer.

[0438] The 171st target gene is the hsa-miR-211-3p gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. The previously known report shows that change in the expression of the hsa-miR-211 (hsa-miR-211-5p) gene, which is derived from the same precursor, or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer (Patent Literature 2).

[0439] The 172nd target gene is the hsa-miR-4271 gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. None of the previously known reports show that change in the expression of the gene or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer.

[0440] The 173rd target gene is the hsa-miR-6851-5p gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. None of the previously known reports show that change in the expression of the gene or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer.

[0441] The 174th target gene is the hsa-miR-149-3p gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. None of the previously known reports show that change in the expression of the gene or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer.

[0442] The 175th target gene is the hsa-miR-4667-5p gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. None of the previously known reports show that change in the expression of the gene or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer.

[0443] The 176th target gene is the hsa-miR-135a-3p gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. None of the previously known reports show that change in the expression of the gene or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer.

[0444] The 177th target gene is the hsa-miR-4486 gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a

30c-1-5p) gene, which is derived from the same precursor, or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer (Patent Literature 2).

[0464] The 197th target gene is the hsa-miR-4507 gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. None of the previously known reports show that change in the expression of the gene or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer.

[0465] The 198th target gene is the hsa-miR-3141 gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. None of the previously known reports show that change in the expression of the gene or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer.

[0466] The 199th target gene is the hsa-miR-1199-5p gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. None of the previously known reports show that change in the expression of the gene or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer.

[0467] The 200th target gene is the hsa-miR-6794-5p gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. None of the previously known reports show that change in the expression of the gene or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer.

[0468] The 201st target gene is the hsa-miR-6774-5p gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. None of the previously known reports show that change in the expression of the gene or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer.

[0469] The 202nd target gene is the hsa-miR-4707-3p gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. None of the previously known reports show that change in the expression of the gene or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer.

[0470] The 203rd target gene is the hsa-miR-4534 gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. None of the previously known reports show that change in the expression of the gene or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer.

[0471] The 204th target gene is the hsa-miR-4294 gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. None of the previously known reports show that change in the expression of the gene or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer.

[0472] The 205th target gene is the hsa-miR-6850-5p gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. None of the previously known reports show that change in the expression of the gene or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer.

[0473] The 206th target gene is the hsa-miR-6089 gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. None of the previously known reports show that change in the expression of the gene or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer.

[0474] The 207th target gene is the hsa-miR-671-5p gene, a congener thereof, a transcript thereof, or a variant or a derivative thereof. None of the previously known reports show that change in the expression of the gene or the transcript thereof can serve as a marker for stomach cancer.

2. Nucleic acid probe or primer for detection of stomach cancer

[0475] In the present invention, a nucleic acid(s) capable of specifically binding to any of the target nucleic acid(s) as the stomach cancer marker(s) described above can be used as a nucleic acid(s), for example, a nucleic acid probe(s) or a primer(s), for the detection or diagnosis of stomach cancer.

[0476] In the present invention, the nucleic acid probe(s) or the primer(s) that can be used for detecting stomach cancer or for diagnosing stomach cancer enables qualitative and/or quantitative measurement of the presence, expression level, or abundance of any of the target nucleic acids as the stomach cancer markers described above, for example: human-derived hsa-miR-4257, hsa-miR-6726-5p, hsa-miR-1343-3p, hsa-miR-1247-3p, hsa-miR-6787-5p, hsa-miR-6875-5p, hsa-miR-1225-3p, hsa-miR-8063, hsa-miR-6781-5p, hsa-miR-4746-3p, hsa-miR-1908-5p, hsa-miR-6756-5p, hsa-miR-204-3p, hsa-miR-4651, hsa-miR-6757-5p, hsa-miR-6825-5p, hsa-miR-7108-5p, hsa-miR-4792, hsa-miR-7641, hsa-miR-3188, hsa-miR-3131, hsa-miR-6780b-5p, hsa-miR-8069, hsa-miR-6840-3p, hsa-miR-8072, hsa-miR-1233-5p, hsa-miR-6887-5p, hsa-miR-1231, hsa-miR-5572, hsa-miR-6738-5p, hsa-miR-6784-5p, hsa-miR-6791-5p, hsa-miR-6749-5p, hsa-miR-6741-5p, hsa-miR-128-1-5p, hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-6746-5p, hsa-miR-3184-5p, hsa-miR-3679-5p, hsa-miR-7110-5p, hsa-miR-4516, hsa-miR-6717-5p, hsa-miR-6826-5p, hsa-miR-4433b-3p, hsa-miR-3679-3p, hsa-miR-3135b, hsa-miR-3622a-5p, hsa-miR-711, hsa-miR-4467, hsa-miR-6857-5p, hsa-miR-6515-3p, hsa-miR-1225-5p, hsa-miR-187-5p, hsa-miR-3185, hsa-miR-642b-3p, hsa-miR-1249, hsa-miR-744-5p, hsa-miR-4442, hsa-miR-1228-3p, hsa-miR-939-5p, hsa-miR-6845-5p, hsa-miR-887-3p, hsa-miR-7845-5p, hsa-miR-6729-5p, hsa-miR-4632-5p, hsa-miR-615-5p, hsa-miR-6724-5p, hsa-miR-4728-5p, hsa-miR-6732-5p, hsa-miR-6816-5p, hsa-miR-4695-5p, hsa-miR-6088, hsa-miR-7975, hsa-miR-3197, hsa-miR-6125, hsa-miR-4433-3p, hsa-miR-6727-5p, hsa-miR-4706, hsa-miR-7847-3p, hsa-miR-6805-3p, hsa-miR-6766-3p, hsa-miR-1913, hsa-miR-4649-5p, hsa-miR-602, hsa-miR-3663-3p, hsa-miR-6893-5p, hsa-miR-6861-5p, hsa-miR-4449, hsa-miR-6842-5p, hsa-miR-4454, hsa-miR-5195-3p, hsa-miR-663b,

hsa-miR-6765-5p, hsa-miR-4513, hsa-miR-614, hsa-miR-6785-5p, hsa-miR-6777-5p, hsa-miR-940, hsa-miR-4741, hsa-miR-6870-5p, hsa-miR-6131, hsa-miR-150-3p, hsa-miR-4707-5p, hsa-miR-1915-3p, hsa-miR-3937, hsa-miR-937-5p, hsa-miR-4443, hsa-miR-1914-3p, hsa-miR-3620-5p, hsa-miR-1268b, hsa-miR-1227-5p, hsa-miR-6880-5p, hsa-miR-4417, hsa-miR-6802-5p, hsa-miR-6769a-5p, hsa-miR-663a, hsa-miR-6721-5p, hsa-miR-4532, hsa-miR-7977, hsa-miR-92b-5p, hsa-miR-371a-5p, hsa-miR-6126, hsa-miR-4734, hsa-miR-4665-3p, hsa-miR-423-5p, hsa-miR-1469, hsa-miR-4675, hsa-miR-1915-5p, hsa-miR-6716-5p, hsa-miR-718, hsa-miR-4281, hsa-miR-6820-5p, hsa-miR-6795-5p, hsa-miR-6779-5p, hsa-miR-7109-5p, hsa-miR-6798-5p, hsa-miR-4648, hsa-miR-8059, hsa-miR-6765-3p, hsa-miR-6132, hsa-miR-4492, hsa-miR-7107-5p, hsa-miR-3195, hsa-miR-3180, hsa-miR-296-3p, hsa-miR-564, hsa-miR-1268a, hsa-miR-6848-5p, hsa-miR-762, hsa-miR-2861, hsa-miR-1203, hsa-miR-1260b, hsa-miR-4476, hsa-miR-6885-5p, hsa-miR-6769b-5p, hsa-miR-23b-3p, hsa-miR-1343-5p, hsa-miR-3621, hsa-miR-4688, hsa-miR-4286, hsa-miR-4640-5p, hsa-miR-4739, hsa-miR-1260a, hsa-miR-4276, hsa-miR-7106, hsa-miR-6794-5p, hsa-miR-6774-5p, hsa-miR-4707-3p, hsa-miR-4534, hsa-miR-4294, hsa-miR-6850-5p, hsa-miR-6089 and hsa-miR-671-5p or a combination thereof, congeners thereof, transcripts thereof, or variants or derivatives thereof; and, optionally combined therewith, hsa-miR-128-2-5p, hsa-miR-125a-3p, hsa-miR-92a-2-5p, and hsa-miR-486-3p or a combination thereof, congeners thereof, transcripts thereof, or variants or derivatives thereof; and, optionally combined therewith, hsa-miR-3196, hsa-miR-211-3p, hsa-miR-4271, hsa-miR-6851-5p, hsa-miR-149-3p, hsa-miR-4667-5p, hsa-miR-135a-3p, hsa-miR-4486, hsa-miR-4697-5p, hsa-miR-4725-3p, hsa-miR-6510-5p, hsa-miR-5001-5p, hsa-miR-4673, hsa-miR-4466, hsa-miR-23a-3p, hsa-miR-3656, hsa-miR-6782-5p, hsa-miR-4689, hsa-miR-451a, hsa-miR-4446-3p, hsa-miR-3180-3p, hsa-miR-642a-3p, hsa-miR-6889-5p, hsa-miR-3178, hsa-miR-4665-5p, hsa-miR-6722-3p, hsa-miR-30c-1-3p, hsa-miR-4507, hsa-miR-3141 and hsa-miR-1199-5p or a combination thereof, congeners thereof, transcripts thereof, or variants or derivatives thereof.

[0477] The expression level of each target nucleic acid described above is increased or decreased (hereinafter, referred to as "increased/decreased") depending on the type of the target nucleic acid in a subject having stomach cancer as compared with a healthy subject. Hence, the nucleic acid of the present invention can be effectively used for measuring the expression level of the target nucleic acid described above in a body fluid derived from a subject (e.g., a human) suspected of having stomach cancer and a body fluid derived from a healthy subject and thereby detecting stomach cancer by the comparison thereof.

[0478] The nucleic acid probe(s) or the primer(s) that can be used in the present invention is a nucleic acid probe(s) capable of specifically binding to at least one polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642, or a primer for amplifying at least one polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642.

[0479] The nucleic acid probe(s) or the primer(s) that can be used in the present invention may further comprise a nucleic acid probe capable of specifically binding to at least one polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169, or a primer for amplifying at least one polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169.

[0480] The nucleic acid probe(s) or the primer(s) that can be used in the present invention may further comprise a nucleic acid probe capable of specifically binding to at least one polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199, or a primer for amplifying at least one polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199.

[0481] Specifically, these nucleic acid probes or primers comprise a combination of one or more polynucleotides selected from a group of polynucleotides comprising nucleotide sequences represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 657, or nucleotide sequences derived from the nucleotide sequences by the replacement of u with t, and a group of complementary polynucleotides thereof, a group of polynucleotides respectively hybridizing under stringent conditions (mentioned later) to DNAs consisting of nucleotide sequences complementary to these nucleotide sequences, and a group of complementary polynucleotides thereof, and a group of polynucleotides comprising 15 or more, preferably 17 or more consecutive nucleotides in the nucleotide sequences of these polynucleotide groups. These polynucleotides can be used as nucleic acid probes and primers for detecting the stomach cancer markers as target nucleic acids.

[0482] More specifically, examples of the nucleic acid probe(s) or the primer(s) that can be used in the present invention include one or more polynucleotides selected from the group consisting of the following polynucleotides (a) to (e):

- (a) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,
- (b) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642,
- (c) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642, or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,
- (d) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by

any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642, or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, and

(e) a polynucleotide hybridizing under stringent conditions to any of the polynucleotides (a) to (d).

[0483] In addition to at least one or more polynucleotides selected from the group consisting of the polynucleotides (a) to (e), the nucleic acid probe(s) or the primer(s) that can be used in the present invention may further comprise polynucleotides selected from the group consisting of the following polynucleotides (f) to (j):

(f) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(g) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169,

(h) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(i) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, and

(j) a polynucleotide hybridizing under stringent conditions to any of the polynucleotides (f) to (i).

[0484] In addition to at least one or more polynucleotide(s) selected from the group consisting of the polynucleotides (a) to (j), the nucleic acid probe(s) or the primer(s) that can be used in the present invention may further comprise polynucleotides selected from the group consisting of the following polynucleotides (k) to (o):

(k) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(l) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199,

(m) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(n) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, and

(o) a polynucleotide hybridizing under stringent conditions to any of the polynucleotides (k) to (n).

[0485] For the above-mentioned polynucleotides, the "fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides" can comprise, but not limited to, the number of nucleotides in the range from, for example, 15 consecutive nucleotides to less than the total number of nucleotides of the sequence, from 17 consecutive nucleotides to less than the total number of nucleotides of the sequence, or from 19 consecutive nucleotides to less than the total number of nucleotides of the sequence, or the like, in the nucleotide sequence of each polynucleotide.

[0486] These polynucleotides or fragments thereof used in the present invention may each be DNA or may each be RNA.

[0487] The polynucleotides that can be used in the present invention can each be prepared by use of a general technique such as a DNA recombination technique, PCR, or a method using an automatic DNA/RNA synthesizer.

[0488] The DNA recombination technique and the PCR method may employ a technique described in, for example, Ausubel et al., Current Protocols in Molecular Biology, John Wiley & Sons, US (1993); and Sambrook et al., Molecular Cloning - A Laboratory Manual, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, US (1989).

[0489] The human-derived hsa-miR-4257, hsa-miR-6726-5p, hsa-miR-1343-3p, hsa-miR-1247-3p, hsa-miR-6787-5p, hsa-miR-6875-5p, hsa-miR-1225-3p, hsa-miR-8063, hsa-miR-6781-5p, hsa-miR-4746-3p, hsa-miR-1908-5p, hsa-miR-6756-5p, hsa-miR-204-3p, hsa-miR-4651, hsa-miR-6757-5p, hsa-miR-6825-5p, hsa-miR-7108-5p, hsa-miR-4792, hsa-miR-7641, hsa-miR-3188, hsa-miR-3131, hsa-miR-6780b-5p, hsa-miR-8069, hsa-miR-6840-3p, hsa-miR-8072, hsa-miR-1233-5p, hsa-miR-6887-5p, hsa-miR-1231, hsa-miR-5572, hsa-miR-6738-5p, hsa-miR-6784-5p, hsa-miR-6791-5p, hsa-miR-6749-5p, hsa-miR-6741-5p, hsa-miR-128-1-5p, hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-6746-5p, hsa-miR-3184-5p, hsa-miR-3679-5p, hsa-miR-7110-5p, hsa-miR-4516, hsa-miR-6717-5p, hsa-miR-6826-5p, hsa-miR-4433b-3p, hsa-miR-3679-3p, hsa-miR-3135b, hsa-miR-3622a-5p, hsa-miR-711, hsa-miR-4467, hsa-miR-6857-5p, hsa-miR-6515-3p, hsa-miR-1225-5p, hsa-miR-187-5p, hsa-miR-3185, hsa-miR-642b-3p, hsa-miR-1249, hsa-miR-744-5p, hsa-miR-4442, hsa-miR-1228-3p, hsa-miR-939-5p, hsa-miR-6845-5p, hsa-miR-887-3p, hsa-miR-7845-5p, hsa-miR-6729-5p, hsa-miR-4632-5p, hsa-miR-615-5p, hsa-miR-6724-5p, hsa-miR-4728-5p, hsa-miR-6732-5p, hsa-miR-6816-5p, hsa-miR-

4695-5p, hsa-miR-6088, hsa-miR-7975, hsa-miR-3197, hsa-miR-6125, hsa-miR-4433-3p, hsa-miR-6727-5p, hsa-miR-4706, hsa-miR-7847-3p, hsa-miR-6805-3p, hsa-miR-6766-3p, hsa-miR-1913, hsa-miR-4649-5p, hsa-miR-602, hsa-miR-3663-3p, hsa-miR-6893-5p, hsa-miR-6861-5p, hsa-miR-4449, hsa-miR-6842-5p, hsa-miR-4454, hsa-miR-5195-3p, hsa-miR-663b, hsa-miR-6765-5p, hsa-miR-4513, hsa-miR-614, hsa-miR-6785-5p, hsa-miR-6777-5p, hsa-miR-940, hsa-miR-4741, hsa-miR-6870-5p, hsa-miR-6131, hsa-miR-150-3p, hsa-miR-4707-5p, hsa-miR-1915-3p, hsa-miR-3937, hsa-miR-937-5p, hsa-miR-4443, hsa-miR-1914-3p, hsa-miR-3620-5p, hsa-miR-1268b, hsa-miR-1227-5p, hsa-miR-6880-5p, hsa-miR-4417, hsa-miR-6802-5p, hsa-miR-6769a-5p, hsa-miR-663a, hsa-miR-6721-5p, hsa-miR-4532, hsa-miR-7977, hsa-miR-92b-5p, hsa-miR-371a-5p, hsa-miR-6126, hsa-miR-4734, hsa-miR-4665-3p, hsa-miR-423-5p, hsa-miR-1469, hsa-miR-4675, hsa-miR-1915-5p, hsa-miR-6716-5p, hsa-miR-718, hsa-miR-4281, hsa-miR-6820-5p, hsa-miR-6795-5p, hsa-miR-6779-5p, hsa-miR-7109-5p, hsa-miR-6798-5p, hsa-miR-4648, hsa-miR-8059, hsa-miR-6765-3p, hsa-miR-6132, hsa-miR-4492, hsa-miR-7107-5p, hsa-miR-3195, hsa-miR-3180, hsa-miR-296-3p, hsa-miR-564, hsa-miR-1268a, hsa-miR-6848-5p, hsa-miR-762, hsa-miR-2861, hsa-miR-1203, hsa-miR-1260b, hsa-miR-4476, hsa-miR-6885-5p, hsa-miR-6769b-5p, hsa-miR-23b-3p, hsa-miR-1343-5p, hsa-miR-3621, hsa-miR-4688, hsa-miR-4286, hsa-miR-4640-5p, hsa-miR-4739, hsa-miR-1260a, hsa-miR-4276, hsa-miR-7106, hsa-miR-6794-5p, hsa-miR-6774-5p, hsa-miR-4707-3p, hsa-miR-4534, hsa-miR-4294, hsa-miR-6850-5p, hsa-miR-6089 and hsa-miR-671-5p, hsa-miR-128-2-5p, hsa-miR-125a-3p, hsa-miR-92a-2-5p, hsa-miR-486-3p, hsa-miR-3196, hsa-miR-211-3p, hsa-miR-4271, hsa-miR-6851-5p, hsa-miR-149-3p, hsa-miR-4667-5p, hsa-miR-135a-3p, hsa-miR-4486, hsa-miR-4697-5p, hsa-miR-4725-3p, hsa-miR-6510-5p, hsa-miR-5001-5p, hsa-miR-4673, hsa-miR-4466, hsa-miR-23a-3p, hsa-miR-3656, hsa-miR-6782-5p, hsa-miR-4689, hsa-miR-451a, hsa-miR-4446-3p, hsa-miR-3180-3p, hsa-miR-642a-3p, hsa-miR-6889-5p, hsa-miR-3178, hsa-miR-4665-5p, hsa-miR-6722-3p, hsa-miR-30c-1-3p, hsa-miR-4507, hsa-miR-3141 and hsa-miR-1199-5p represented by SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 199 and 635 to 642 are known in the art, and their acquisition methods are also known as mentioned above. Therefore, each polynucleotide that can be used as a nucleic acid probe(s) or a primer(s) in the present invention can be prepared by cloning the gene.

[0490] Such a nucleic acid probe(s) or a primer(s) can be chemically synthesized using an automatic DNA synthesizer. In general, a phosphoramidite method is used in this synthesis, and single-stranded DNA up to approximately 100 nucleotides can be automatically synthesized by this method. The automatic DNA synthesizer is commercially available from, for example, Polygen GmbH, ABI, or Applied Biosystems, Inc.

[0491] Alternatively, the polynucleotide of the present invention can also be prepared by a cDNA cloning method. The cDNA cloning technique may employ, for example, microRNA Cloning Kit Wako.

[0492] In this context, the sequences of the nucleic acid probe(s) and the primer(s) for detecting the polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 199 and 635 to 642 do not exist as miRNAs or precursors thereof in the living body or *in vivo*. For example, the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NO: 7 and SEQ ID NO: 52 are produced from the precursor represented by SEQ ID NO: 206. This precursor has a hairpin-like structure as shown in Figure 1, and the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NO: 7 and SEQ ID NO: 52 have mismatch sequences with each other. As such, a nucleotide sequence completely complementary to the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 7 or SEQ ID NO: 52 is not naturally produced *in vivo*. Therefore, the nucleic acid probe and the primer for detecting the nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 199 and 635 to 642 each have an artificial nucleotide sequence that does not exist in the living body or *in vivo*.

3. Kit or device for detection of stomach cancer

[0493] The present invention also provides a kit or a device for the detection of stomach cancer, comprising one or more polynucleotides (which may include a variant, a fragment, or a derivative thereof; hereinafter, also referred to as a polynucleotide for detection) that can be used as a nucleic acid probe(s) or a primer(s) in the present invention for measuring a target nucleic acid(s) as a stomach cancer marker(s).

[0494] The target nucleic acid(s) as a stomach cancer marker(s) according to the present invention is selected from the following group 1:

miR-4257, miR-6726-5p, miR-1343-3p, miR-1247-3p, miR-6787-5p, miR-6875-5p, miR-1225-3p, miR-8063, miR-6781-5p, miR-4746-3p, miR-1908-5p, miR-6756-5p, miR-204-3p, miR-4651, miR-6757-5p, miR-6825-5p, miR-7108-5p, miR-4792, miR-7641, miR-3188, miR-3131, miR-6780b-5p, miR-8069, miR-6840-3p, miR-8072, miR-1233-5p, miR-6887-5p, miR-1231, miR-5572, miR-6738-5p, miR-6784-5p, miR-6791-5p, miR-6749-5p, miR-6741-5p, miR-128-1-5p, miR-4419b, miR-6746-5p, miR-3184-5p, miR-3679-5p, miR-7110-5p, miR-4516, miR-6717-5p, miR-6826-5p, miR-4433b-3p, miR-3679-3p, miR-3135b, miR-3622a-5p, miR-711, miR-4467, miR-6857-5p, miR-6515-3p, miR-1225-5p, miR-187-5p, miR-3185, miR-642b-3p, miR-1249, miR-744-5p, miR-4442, miR-1228-3p, miR-939-5p, miR-6845-5p, miR-887-3p, miR-7845-5p, miR-6729-5p, miR-4632-5p, miR-615-5p, miR-6724-5p, miR-4728-5p, miR-6732-5p, miR-6816-5p, miR-4695-5p, miR-6088, miR-7975, miR-3197, miR-6125, miR-4433-3p, miR-6727-5p, miR-4706, miR-7847-3p, miR-6805-3p, miR-6766-3p, miR-1913, miR-4649-5p, miR-602,

miR-3663-3p, miR-6893-5p, miR-6861-5p, miR-4449, miR-6842-5p, miR-4454, miR-5195-3p, miR-663b, miR-6765-5p, miR-4513, miR-614, miR-6785-5p, miR-6777-5p, miR-940, miR-4741, miR-6870-5p, miR-6131, miR-150-3p, miR-4707-5p, miR-1915-3p, miR-3937, miR-937-5p, miR-4443, miR-1914-3p, miR-3620-5p, miR-1268b, miR-1227-5p, miR-6880-5p, miR-4417, miR-6802-5p, miR-6769a-5p, miR-663a, miR-6721-5p, miR-4532, miR-7977, miR-92b-5p, miR-371a-5p, miR-6126, miR-4734, miR-4665-3p, miR-423-5p, miR-1469, miR-4675, miR-1915-5p, miR-6716-5p, miR-718, miR-4281, miR-6820-5p, miR-6795-5p, miR-6779-5p, miR-7109-5p, miR-6798-5p, miR-4648, miR-8059, miR-6765-3p, miR-6132, miR-4492, miR-7107-5p, miR-3195, miR-3180, miR-296-3p, miR-564, miR-1268a, miR-6848-5p, miR-762, miR-2861, miR-1203, miR-1260b, miR-4476, miR-6885-5p, miR-6769b-5p, miR-23b-3p, miR-1343-5p, miR-3621, miR-4688, miR-4286, miR-4640-5p, miR-4739, miR-1260a, miR-4276, miR-7106-5p, miR-6794-5p, miR-6774-5p, miR-4707-3p, miR-4534, miR-4294, miR-6850-5p, miR-6089 and miR-671-5p.

[0495] Additional target nucleic acid(s) that may be optionally used in the measurement is preferably selected from the following group 2: miR-128-2-5p, miR-125a-3p, miR-92a-2-5p, and miR-486-3p. Additional target nucleic acid(s) that may be optionally further used in the measurement is preferably selected from the following group 3: miR-3196, miR-211-3p, miR-4271, miR-6851-5p, miR-149-3p, miR-4667-5p, miR-135a-3p, miR-4486, miR-4697-5p, miR-4725-3p, miR-6510-5p, miR-5001-5p, miR-4673, miR-4466, miR-23a-3p, miR-3656, miR-6782-5p, miR-4689, miR-451a, miR-4446-3p, miR-3180-3p, miR-642a-3p, miR-6889-5p, miR-3178, miR-4665-5p, miR-6722-3p, miR-30c-1-3p, miR-4507, miR-3141 and miR-1199-5p.

[0496] The kit or the device of the present invention comprises a nucleic acid(s) capable of specifically binding to any of the target nucleic acids as the stomach cancer markers described above, preferably one or more polynucleotides selected from the nucleic acid probes or the primers described in the preceding Section 2, specifically, the polynucleotides described in the preceding Section 2 or variant(s) thereof.

[0497] Specifically, the kit or the device of the present invention can comprise at least one or more polynucleotides comprising (or consisting of) a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, polynucleotide(s) comprising (or consisting of) a complementary sequence thereof, polynucleotide(s) hybridizing under stringent conditions to any of these polynucleotides, or variant(s) or fragment(s) comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides of any of these polynucleotide sequences.

[0498] The kit or the device of the present invention can further comprise one or more polynucleotides comprising (or consisting of) a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, polynucleotide(s) comprising (or consisting of) a complementary sequence thereof, polynucleotide(s) hybridizing under stringent conditions to any of these polynucleotides, variant(s) or fragment(s) comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides of any of these polynucleotide sequences.

[0499] The kit or the device of the present invention can further comprise one or more polynucleotides comprising (or consisting of) a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, polynucleotide(s) comprising (or consisting of) a complementary sequence thereof, polynucleotide(s) hybridizing under stringent conditions to any of these polynucleotides, variant(s) or fragment(s) comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides of any of these polynucleotide sequences.

[0500] The fragment(s) that can be contained in the kit or the device of the present invention is, for example, one or more, preferably two or more polynucleotides selected from the group consisting of the following polynucleotides (1) to (3):

(1) a polynucleotide comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides that are from a nucleotide sequence derived from a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642 by the replacement of u with t, or a complementary sequence thereof;

(2) a polynucleotide comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides that are from a nucleotide sequence derived from a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169 by the replacement of u with t, or a complementary sequence thereof; and

(3) a polynucleotide comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides that are from a nucleotide sequence derived from a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199 by the replacement of u with t, or a complementary sequence thereof.

[0501] In a preferred embodiment, the polynucleotide is a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a polynucleotide consisting of a complementary sequence thereof, a polynucleotide hybridizing under stringent conditions to any of these polynucleotides, or a variant thereof comprising 15 or more, preferably 17 or more, more preferably 19 or more consecutive nucleotides.

[0502] In a preferred embodiment, the polynucleotide is a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence repre-

sented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a polynucleotide consisting of a complementary sequence thereof, a polynucleotide hybridizing under stringent conditions to any of these polynucleotides, or a variant thereof comprising 15 or more, preferably 17 or more, more preferably 19 or more consecutive nucleotides.

[0503] In a preferred embodiment, the polynucleotide is a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a polynucleotide consisting of a complementary sequence thereof, a polynucleotide hybridizing under stringent conditions to any of these polynucleotides, or a variant thereof comprising 15 or more, preferably 17 or more, more preferably 19 or more consecutive nucleotides.

[0504] In a preferred embodiment, the fragment can be a polynucleotide comprising 15 or more, preferably 17 or more, more preferably 19 or more consecutive nucleotides.

[0505] In the present invention, the size of the polynucleotide fragment is the number of nucleotides in the range from, for example, 15 consecutive nucleotides to less than the total number of nucleotides of the sequence, from 17 consecutive nucleotides to less than the total number of nucleotides of the sequence, or from 19 consecutive nucleotides to less than the total number of nucleotides of the sequence, in the nucleotide sequence of each polynucleotide.

[0506] Specific examples of the aforementioned polynucleotide combination as target nucleic acids for the kit or the device of the present invention can include combinations of the polynucleotides consisting of nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs shown in Table 1 (SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 199 and 635 to 642 corresponding to the miRNA markers in Table 1). However, these are given merely for illustrative purposes, and all of various other possible combinations are included in the present invention.

[0507] The combination of the target nucleic acids for the kit or the device for discriminating a stomach cancer patient from a healthy subject according to the present invention is desirably, for example, a combination of two or more polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs shown in Table 1. Usually, a combination of two of these polynucleotides can produce adequate performance.

[0508] The specific combination of two polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequences or the complementary sequences thereof for discriminating a stomach cancer patient from a healthy subject is preferably a combination comprising at least one or more of the newly found polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642, among the combinations of two of the aforementioned polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 199 and 635 to 642.

[0509] The combination of polynucleotides with cancer type specificity capable of discriminating a stomach cancer patient not only from a healthy subject but also from other cancer patients is preferably, for example, a combination of multiple polynucleotides comprising at least one polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of polynucleotides of SEQ ID NOs: 9, 13, 21, 27, 34, 36, 66, 75, 95, 98, 108, 130, 135, 143, 155, 183, 185, 187, 191, 193, 194, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641 and 642 (hereinafter, this group is referred to as "cancer type-specific polynucleotide group 1"), with any of the polynucleotides of the other SEQ ID NOs.

[0510] The combination of polynucleotides with cancer type specificity capable of discriminating a stomach cancer patient not only from a healthy subject but also from other cancer patients is more preferably a combination of multiple polynucleotides selected from the cancer type-specific polynucleotide group 1.

[0511] The combination of polynucleotides with cancer type specificity capable of discriminating a stomach cancer patient not only from a healthy subject but also from other cancer patients is more preferably a combination comprising at least one or more polynucleotides selected from the group consisting of polynucleotides of SEQ ID NOs: 21, 34, 36, 98, and 155 (hereinafter, this group is referred to as "cancer type-specific polynucleotide group 2") included in the cancer type-specific polynucleotide group 1, among the combinations of multiple polynucleotides selected from the cancer type-specific polynucleotide group 1.

[0512] The number of the polynucleotides with cancer type specificity may be 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 or more in the combination and is more preferably 6 or more in the combination. Usually, the combination of 6 of these polynucleotides can produce adequate performance.

[0513] Non-limiting examples of the combination of the polynucleotide consisting of the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 21 or a complementary sequence thereof with polynucleotides consisting of nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs of five polynucleotides selected from the cancer type-specific polynucleotide group 1 or complementary sequences thereof are listed below.

(1) a combination of SEQ ID NOs: 9, 21, 36, 98, 130, and 637 (markers: hsa-miR-6781-5p, hsa-miR-3131, hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-940, hsa-miR-718, and hsa-miR-4707-3p);

(2) a combination of SEQ ID NOs: 9, 21, 34, 36, 98, and 637 (markers: hsa-miR-6781-5p, hsa-miR-3131, hsa-miR-6741-5p, hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-940, and hsa-miR-4707-3p);

(3) a combination of SEQ ID NOs: 9, 21, 34, 36, 98, and 155 (markers: hsa-miR-6781-5p, hsa-miR-3131, hsa-miR-6741-5p, hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-940, and hsa-miR-6769b-5p);

- (4) a combination of SEQ ID NOs: 21, 36, 75, 98, 155, and 635 (markers: hsa-miR-3131, hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-6125, hsa-miR-940, hsa-miR-6769b-5p, and hsa-miR-6794-5p); and
 (5) a combination of SEQ ID NOs: 9, 21, 36, 98, 108, and 155 (markers: hsa-miR-6781-5p, hsa-miR-3131, hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-940, hsa-miR-1914-3p, and hsa-miR-6769b-5p).

[0514] Non-limiting examples of the combination of the polynucleotide consisting of the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 34 or a complementary sequence thereof with polynucleotides consisting of nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs of five polynucleotides selected from the cancer type-specific polynucleotide group 1 or complementary sequences thereof are further listed.

- (1) a combination of SEQ ID NOs: 34, 36, 143, 155, 187, and 635 (markers: hsa-miR-6741-5p, hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-3195, hsa-miR-6769b-5p, hsa-miR-4689, and hsa-miR-6794-5p);
 (2) a combination of SEQ ID NOs: 9, 34, 36, 66, 98, and 187 (markers: hsa-miR-6781-5p, hsa-miR-6741-5p, hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-615-5p, hsa-miR-940, and hsa-miR-4689);
 (3) a combination of SEQ ID NOs: 9, 34, 36, 98, 187, and 637 (markers: hsa-miR-6781-5p, hsa-miR-6741-5p, hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-940, hsa-miR-4689, and hsa-miR-4707-3p);
 (4) a combination of SEQ ID NOs: 9, 34, 36, 98, 185, and 637 (markers: hsa-miR-6781-5p, hsa-miR-6741-5p, hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-940, hsa-miR-3656, and hsa-miR-4707-3p); and
 (5) a combination of SEQ ID NOs: 9, 34, 36, 98, 637, and 639 (markers: hsa-miR-6781-5p, hsa-miR-6741-5p, hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-940, hsa-miR-4707-3p, and hsa-miR-4294).

[0515] Non-limiting examples of the combination of the polynucleotide consisting of the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 36 or a complementary sequence thereof with polynucleotides consisting of nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs of five polynucleotides selected from the cancer type-specific polynucleotide group 1 or complementary sequences thereof are further listed.

- (1) a combination of SEQ ID NOs: 9, 36, 98, 108, 638, and 639 (markers: hsa-miR-6781-5p, hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-940, hsa-miR-1914-3p, hsa-miR-4534, and hsa-miR-4294);
 (2) a combination of SEQ ID NOs: 36, 98, 155, 194, 635, and 642 (markers: hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-940, hsa-miR-6769b-5p, hsa-miR-4665-5p, hsa-miR-6794-5p, and hsa-miR-671-5p);
 (3) a combination of SEQ ID NOs: 9, 34, 36, 75, 98, and 637 (markers: hsa-miR-6781-5p, hsa-miR-6741-5p, hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-6125, hsa-miR-940, and hsa-miR-4707-3p);
 (4) a combination of SEQ ID NOs: 21, 36, 98, 155, 185, and 635 (markers: hsa-miR-3131, hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-940, hsa-miR-6769b-5p, hsa-miR-3656, and hsa-miR-6794-5p); and
 (5) a combination of SEQ ID NOs: 9, 36, 98, 108, 155, and 635 (markers: hsa-miR-6781-5p, hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-940, hsa-miR-1914-3p, hsa-miR-6769b-5p, and hsa-miR-6794-5p).

[0516] Non-limiting examples of the combination of the polynucleotide consisting of the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 98 or a complementary sequence thereof with polynucleotides consisting of nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs of five polynucleotides selected from the cancer type-specific polynucleotide group 1 or complementary sequences thereof are further listed.

- (1) a combination of SEQ ID NOs: 9, 36, 98, 130, 194, and 637 (markers: hsa-miR-6781-5p, hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-940, hsa-miR-718, hsa-miR-4665-5p, and hsa-miR-4707-3p);
 (2) a combination of SEQ ID NOs: 21, 36, 98, 108, 155, and 635 (markers: hsa-miR-3131, hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-940, hsa-miR-1914-3p, hsa-miR-6769b-5p, and hsa-miR-6794-5p);
 (3) a combination of SEQ ID NOs: 9, 36, 98, 108, 155, and 639 (markers: hsa-miR-6781-5p, hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-940, hsa-miR-1914-3p, hsa-miR-6769b-5p, and hsa-miR-4294);
 (4) a combination of SEQ ID NOs: 9, 36, 98, 155, 187, and 639 (markers: hsa-miR-6781-5p, hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-940, hsa-miR-6769b-5p, hsa-miR-4689, and hsa-miR-4294); and
 (5) a combination of SEQ ID NOs: 9, 36, 98, 155, 187, and 637 (markers: hsa-miR-6781-5p, hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-940, hsa-miR-6769b-5p, hsa-miR-4689, and hsa-miR-4707-3p).

[0517] Non-limiting examples of the combination of the polynucleotide consisting of the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 155 or a complementary sequence thereof with polynucleotides consisting of nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs of five polynucleotides selected from the cancer type-specific polynucleotide group 1 or complementary sequences thereof are further listed.

- (1) a combination of SEQ ID NOs: 9, 36, 75, 98, 155, and 635 (markers: hsa-miR-6781-5p, hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-6125, hsa-miR-940, hsa-miR-6769b-5p, and hsa-miR-6794-5p);
- (2) a combination of SEQ ID NOs: 36, 98, 130, 155, 185, and 635 (markers: hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-940, hsa-miR-718, hsa-miR-6769b-5p, hsa-miR-3656, and hsa-miR-6794-5p);
- (3) a combination of SEQ ID NOs: 9, 13, 143, 155, 194, and 639 (markers: hsa-miR-6781-5p, hsa-miR-204-3p, hsa-miR-3195, hsa-miR-6769b-5p, hsa-miR-4665-5p, and hsa-miR-4294);
- (4) a combination of SEQ ID NOs: 9, 13, 34, 36, 98, and 155 (markers: hsa-miR-6781-5p, hsa-miR-204-3p, hsa-miR-6741-5p, hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-940, and hsa-miR-6769b-5p); and
- (5) a combination of SEQ ID NOs: 36, 98, 108, 155, 193, and 635 (markers: hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-940, hsa-miR-1914-3p, hsa-miR-6769b-5p, hsa-miR-3178, and hsa-miR-6794-5p).

[0518] The kit or the device of the present invention can also comprise a polynucleotide(s) that is already known or that will be found in the future, to enable detection of stomach cancer, in addition to the polynucleotide(s) (which may include a variant(s), a fragment(s), and a derivative(s)) as described above according to the present invention.

[0519] The kit of the present invention can also comprise an antibody for measuring a marker(s) for stomach cancer examination known in the art, such as CEA, or CA19-9, in addition to the polynucleotide(s) according to the present invention as described above, and a variant(s) thereof or a fragment(s) thereof.

[0520] These polynucleotides contained in the kit of the present invention may be packaged in different containers either individually or in any combination.

[0521] The kit of the present invention may comprise a kit for extracting a nucleic acid(s) (e.g., total RNA) from body fluids, cells, or tissues, a fluorescent material for labeling, an enzyme and a medium for nucleic acid amplification, an instruction manual, etc.

[0522] The device of the present invention is a device for cancer marker measurement in which nucleic acids such as the polynucleotides according to the present invention described above are bonded or attached to, for example, a solid phase. Examples of the material for the solid phase include plastics, paper, glass, and silicon. The material for the solid phase is preferably a plastic from the viewpoint of easy processability. The solid phase has any shape and is, for example, square, round, reed-shaped, or film-shaped. The device of the present invention includes, for example, a device for measurement by a hybridization technique. Specific examples thereof include blotting devices and nucleic acid arrays (e.g., microarrays, DNA chips, and RNA chips).

[0523] The nucleic acid array technique is a technique which involves bonding or attaching the nucleic acids one by one by use of a method [e.g., a method of spotting the nucleic acids using a high-density dispenser called spotter or arrayer onto the surface of the solid phase surface-treated, if necessary, by coating with L-lysine or the introduction of a functional group such as an amino group or a carboxyl group, a method of spraying the nucleic acids onto the solid phase using an inkjet which injects very small liquid droplets by a piezoelectric element or the like from a nozzle, or a method of sequentially synthesizing nucleotides on the solid phase] to prepare an array such as a chip and measuring target nucleic acids through the use of hybridization using this array.

[0524] The kit or the device of the present invention comprises nucleic acids capable of specifically binding to the polynucleotides of at least one or more, preferably at least two or more, more preferably at least three or more, most preferably at least five or more to all of the stomach cancer marker miRNAs, respectively, of the group 1 described above. The kit or the device of the present invention can optionally further comprise nucleic acids capable of specifically binding to the polynucleotides of at least one or more, preferably at least two or more, more preferably at least three or more, most preferably at least five or more to all of the stomach cancer marker miRNAs, respectively, of the group 2 described above. The kit or the device of the present invention can optionally further comprise nucleic acids capable of specifically binding to the polynucleotides of at least one or more, preferably at least two or more, more preferably at least three or more, most preferably at least five or more to all of the stomach cancer marker miRNAs, respectively, of the group 3 described above.

[0525] The kit or the device of the present invention can be used for detecting stomach cancer as described in the Section 4 below.

4. Method for detecting stomach cancer

[0526] The present invention further provides a method for detecting stomach cancer, comprising using the kit or the device of the present invention (comprising the nucleic acid(s) that can be used in the present invention) described in the preceding Section 3 above to measure an expression level(s) of one or more stomach cancer-derived genes represented by: an expression level(s) of stomach cancer-derived gene(s) selected from the following group: miR-4257, miR-6726-5p, miR-1343-3p, miR-1247-3p, miR-6787-5p, miR-6875-5p, miR-1225-3p, miR-8063, miR-6781-5p, miR-4746-3p, miR-1908-5p, miR-6756-5p, miR-204-3p, miR-4651, miR-6757-5p, miR-6825-5p, miR-7108-5p, miR-4792, miR-7641, miR-3188, miR-3131, miR-6780b-5p, miR-8069, miR-6840-3p, miR-8072, miR-1233-5p, miR-6887-5p, miR-

1231, miR-5572, miR-6738-5p, miR-6784-5p, miR-6791-5p, miR-6749-5p, miR-6741-5p, miR-128-1-5p, miR-4419b, miR-6746-5p, miR-3184-5p, miR-3679-5p, miR-7110-5p, miR-4516, miR-6717-5p, miR-6826-5p, miR-4433b-3p, miR-3679-3p, miR-3135b, miR-3622a-5p, miR-711, miR-4467, miR-6857-5p, miR-6515-3p, miR-1225-5p, miR-187-5p, miR-3185, miR-642b-3p, miR-1249, miR-744-5p, miR-4442, miR-1228-3p, miR-939-5p, miR-6845-5p, miR-887-3p, miR-7845-5p, miR-6729-5p, miR-4632-5p, miR-615-5p, miR-6724-5p, miR-4728-5p, miR-6732-5p, miR-6816-5p, miR-4695-5p, miR-6088, miR-7975, miR-3197, miR-6125, miR-4433-3p, miR-6727-5p, miR-4706, miR-7847-3p, miR-6805-3p, miR-6766-3p, miR-1913, miR-4649-5p, miR-602, miR-3663-3p, miR-6893-5p, miR-6861-5p, miR-4449, miR-6842-5p, miR-4454, miR-5195-3p, miR-663b, miR-6765-5p, miR-4513, miR-614, miR-6785-5p, miR-6777-5p, miR-940, miR-4741, miR-6870-5p, miR-6131, miR-150-3p, miR-4707-5p, miR-1915-3p, miR-3937, miR-937-5p, miR-4443, miR-1914-3p, miR-3620-5p, miR-1268b, miR-1227-5p, miR-6880-5p, miR-4417, miR-6802-5p, miR-6769a-5p, miR-663a, miR-6721-5p, miR-4532, miR-7977, miR-92b-5p, miR-371a-5p, miR-6126, miR-4734, miR-4665-3p, miR-423-5p, miR-1469, miR-4675, miR-1915-5p, miR-6716-5p, miR-718, miR-4281, miR-6820-5p, miR-6795-5p, miR-6779-5p, miR-7109-5p, miR-6798-5p, miR-4648, miR-8059, miR-6765-3p, miR-6132, miR-4492, miR-7107-5p, miR-3195, miR-3180, miR-296-3p, miR-564, miR-1268a, miR-6848-5p, miR-762, miR-2861, miR-1203, miR-1260b, miR-4476, miR-6885-5p, miR-6769b-5p, miR-23b-3p, miR-1343-5p, miR-3621, miR-4688, miR-4286, miR-4640-5p, miR-4739, miR-1260a, miR-4276, miR-7106-5p, miR-6794-5p, miR-6774-5p, miR-4707-3p, miR-4534, miR-4294, miR-6850-5p, miR-6089 and miR-671-5p; and optionally an expression level(s) of stomach cancer-derived gene(s) selected from the following group: miR-128-2-5p, miR-125a-3p, miR-92a-2-5p, and miR-486-3p; and optionally an expression level(s) of stomach cancer-derived gene(s) selected from the following group: miR-3196, miR-211-3p, miR-4271, miR-6851-5p, miR-149-3p, miR-4667-5p, miR-135a-3p, miR-4486, miR-4697-5p, miR-4725-3p, miR-6510-5p, miR-5001-5p, miR-4673, miR-4466, miR-23a-3p, miR-3656, miR-6782-5p, miR-4689, miR-451a, miR-4446-3p, miR-3180-3p, miR-642a-3p, miR-6889-5p, miR-3178, miR-4665-5p, miR-6722-3p, miR-30c-1-3p, miR-4507, miR-3141 and miR-1199-5p in a sample *in vitro*, further comparing, for example, the expression level(s) of the gene(s) in the sample (e.g., blood, serum, or plasma) collected from a subject suspected of having stomach cancer with a control expression level in the sample collected from a healthy subject (including a non-stomach cancer patient), and evaluating the subject as having stomach cancer when the expression level of the target nucleic acid is statistically significantly different between the samples.

[0527] This method of the present invention enables a limitedly invasive, early diagnosis of cancer with high sensitivity and specificity and thereby brings about early treatment and improved prognosis. In addition, exacerbation of the disease or the effectiveness of surgical, radiotherapeutic, and chemotherapeutic treatments can be monitored.

[0528] The method for extracting the stomach cancer-derived gene(s) from the sample such as blood, serum, or plasma according to the present invention is particularly preferably prepared by the addition of a reagent for RNA extraction in 3D-Gene[™] RNA extraction reagent from liquid sample kit (Toray Industries, Inc.). A general acidic phenol method (acid guanidinium-phenolchloroform (AGPC)) may be used, or Trizol[™] (Life Technologies Corp.) may be used. The stomach cancer-derived gene(s) may be prepared by the addition of a reagent for RNA extraction containing acidic phenol, such as Trizol (Life Technologies Corp.) or Isogen (Nippon Gene Co., Ltd.). Alternatively, a kit such as miRNeasy[™] Mini Kit (Qiagen N.V.) may be used, though the method is not limited thereto.

[0529] The present invention also provides use of the kit or the device of the present invention for detecting *in vitro* an expression product(s) of a stomach cancer-derived miRNA gene(s) in a sample derived from a subject.

[0530] In the method of the present invention, the kit or the device described above comprises a single polynucleotide or any possible combination of polynucleotides that can be used in the present invention as described above.

[0531] In the detection or (genetic) diagnosis of stomach cancer according to the present invention, each polynucleotide contained in the kit or the device of the present invention can be used as a probe or a primer. In the case of using the polynucleotide as a primer, TaqMan[™] MicroRNA Assays from Life Technologies Corp., miScript PCR System from Qiagen N.V., or the like can be used, though the method is not limited thereto.

[0532] The polynucleotide contained in the kit or the device of the present invention can be used as a primer or a probe according to a routine method in a method known in the art for specifically detecting the particular gene, for example, a hybridization technique such as Northern blot, Southern blot, *in situ* hybridization, Northern hybridization, or Southern hybridization, or a quantitative amplification technique such as quantitative RT-PCR. A body fluid such as blood, serum, plasma, or urine from a subject is collected as a sample to be assayed according to the type of the detection method used. Alternatively, total RNA prepared from such a body fluid by the method described above may be used, and various polynucleotides including cDNA prepared on the basis of the RNA may be used.

[0533] The kit or the device of the present invention is useful for the diagnosis of stomach cancer or the detection of the presence or absence of stomach cancer. Specifically, the detection of stomach cancer using the kit or the device can be performed by detecting *in vitro* an expression level(s) of a gene(s) using the nucleic acid probe(s) or the primer(s) contained in the kit or the device in a sample such as blood, serum, plasma, or urine from a subject suspected of having stomach cancer. The subject suspected of having stomach cancer can be evaluated as having stomach cancer when the expression level(s) of a target miRNA marker(s) measured using polynucleotide(s) (including a variant(s), a fragment(s), and a derivative(s) thereof) consisting of a nucleotide sequence(s) represented by at least one or more of SEQ

ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642 or a complementary sequence(s) thereof, optionally a nucleotide sequence(s) represented by one or more of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169 or a complementary sequence(s) thereof, and optionally a nucleotide sequence(s) represented by one or more of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199 or a complementary sequence(s) thereof in the sample such as blood, serum, plasma, or urine of the subject is statistically significantly different from the expression level(s) thereof in the sample such as blood, serum, or plasma, or urine of a healthy subject.

[0534] The method of the present invention can be combined with gastric X-ray examination and gastroscopy as well as a diagnostic imaging method such as CT, PET, or MRI. The method of the present invention is capable of specifically detecting stomach cancer and can substantially discriminate stomach cancer from other cancers.

[0535] The method for detecting the absence of an expression product(s) of a stomach cancer-derived gene(s) or the presence of the expression product(s) of a stomach cancer-derived gene(s) in a sample using the kit or the device of the present invention comprises collecting a body fluid such as blood, serum, plasma, or urine of a subject, and measuring the expression level(s) of the target gene(s) contained therein using one or more polynucleotide(s) (including a variant(s), a fragment(s), and a derivative(s)) selected from the polynucleotide group of the present invention, to evaluate the presence or absence of stomach cancer or to detect stomach cancer. Using the method for detecting stomach cancer according to the present invention, for example, the presence or absence of amelioration of the disease or the degree of amelioration thereof in a stomach cancer patient to whom a therapeutic drug for the amelioration of the disease is administered can be also evaluated or diagnosed.

[0536] The method of the present invention can comprise, for example, the following steps (a), (b), and (c):

- (a) contacting a sample derived from a subject with a polynucleotide(s) in the kit or the device of the present invention *in vitro*;
- (b) measuring an expression level(s) of the target nucleic acid(s) in the sample using the polynucleotide(s) as a nucleic acid probe(s) or a primer(s); and
- (c) evaluating the presence or absence of stomach cancer (cells) in the subject on the basis of the result in the step (b).

[0537] Specifically, the present invention provides a method for detecting stomach cancer, comprising measuring an expression level(s) of a target nucleic acid(s) in a sample of a subject using a nucleic acid(s) capable of specifically binding to at least one or more (preferably at least two or more) polynucleotide(s) selected from the group consisting of miR-4257, miR-6726-5p, miR-1343-3p, miR-1247-3p, miR-6787-5p, miR-6875-5p, miR-1225-3p, miR-8063, miR-6781-5p, miR-4746-3p, miR-1908-5p, miR-6756-5p, miR-204-3p, miR-4651, miR-6757-5p, miR-6825-5p, miR-7108-5p, miR-4792, miR-7641, miR-3188, miR-3131, miR-6780b-5p, miR-8069, miR-6840-3p, miR-8072, miR-1233-5p, miR-6887-5p, miR-1231, miR-5572, miR-6738-5p, miR-6784-5p, miR-6791-5p, miR-6749-5p, miR-6741-5p, miR-128-1-5p, miR-4419b, miR-6746-5p, miR-3184-5p, miR-3679-5p, miR-7110-5p, miR-4516, miR-6717-5p, miR-6826-5p, miR-4433b-3p, miR-3679-3p, miR-3135b, miR-3622a-5p, miR-711, miR-4467, miR-6857-5p, miR-6515-3p, miR-1225-5p, miR-187-5p, miR-3185, miR-642b-3p, miR-1249, miR-744-5p, miR-4442, miR-1228-3p, miR-939-5p, miR-6845-5p, miR-887-3p, miR-7845-5p, miR-6729-5p, miR-4632-5p, miR-615-5p, miR-6724-5p, miR-4728-5p, miR-6732-5p, miR-6816-5p, miR-4695-5p, miR-6088, miR-7975, miR-3197, miR-6125, miR-4433-3p, miR-6727-5p, miR-4706, miR-7847-3p, miR-6805-3p, miR-6766-3p, miR-1913, miR-4649-5p, miR-602, miR-3663-3p, miR-6893-5p, miR-6861-5p, miR-4449, miR-6842-5p, miR-4454, miR-5195-3p, miR-663b, miR-6765-5p, miR-4513, miR-614, miR-6785-5p, miR-6777-5p, miR-940, miR-4741, miR-6870-5p, miR-6131, miR-150-3p, miR-4707-5p, miR-1915-3p, miR-3937, miR-937-5p, miR-4443, miR-1914-3p, miR-3620-5p, miR-1268b, miR-1227-5p, miR-6880-5p, miR-4417, miR-6802-5p, miR-6769a-5p, miR-663a, miR-6721-5p, miR-4532, miR-7977, miR-92b-5p, miR-371a-5p, miR-6126, miR-4734, miR-4665-3p, miR-423-5p, miR-1469, miR-4675, miR-1915-5p, miR-6716-5p, miR-718, miR-4281, miR-6820-5p, miR-6795-5p, miR-6779-5p, miR-7109-5p, miR-6798-5p, miR-4648, miR-8059, miR-6765-3p, miR-6132, miR-4492, miR-7107-5p, miR-3195, miR-3180, miR-296-3p, miR-564, miR-1268a, miR-6848-5p, miR-762, miR-2861, miR-1203, miR-1260b, miR-4476, miR-6885-5p, miR-6769b-5p, miR-23b-3p, miR-1343-5p, miR-3621, miR-4688, miR-4286, miR-4640-5p, miR-4739, miR-1260a, miR-4276, miR-7106-5p, miR-6794-5p, miR-6774-5p, miR-4707-3p, miR-4534, miR-4294, miR-6850-5p, miR-6089 and miR-671-5p and evaluating *in vitro* whether or not the subject has stomach cancer using the measured expression level(s) and a control expression level(s) of a healthy subject measured in the same way as above.

[0538] The term "evaluation" used herein is evaluation support based on results of *in vitro* examination, not physician's judgment.

[0539] As described above, as for the target nucleic acids in a preferred embodiment of the method of the present invention, specifically, miR-4257 is hsa-miR-4257, miR-6726-5p is hsa-miR-6726-5p, miR-1343-3p is hsa-miR-1343-3p, miR-1247-3p is hsa-miR-1247-3p, miR-6787-5p is hsa-miR-6787-5p, miR-6875-5p is hsa-miR-6875-5p, miR-1225-3p is hsa-miR-1225-3p, miR-8063 is hsa-miR-8063, miR-6781-5p is hsa-miR-6781-5p, miR-4746-3p is hsa-miR-4746-3p, miR-1908-5p is hsa-miR-1908-5p, miR-6756-5p is hsa-miR-6756-5p, miR-204-3p is hsa-miR-204-3p, miR-4651 is hsa-miR-4651, miR-6757-5p is hsa-miR-6757-5p, miR-6825-5p is hsa-miR-6825-5p, miR-7108-5p is hsa-miR-7108-5p, miR-

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[0540] In a preferred embodiment of the method of the present invention, specifically, the nucleic acid(s) (specifically, probe(s) or primer(s)) is selected from the group consisting of the following polynucleotides (a) to (e):

(a) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(b) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642,

(c) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(d) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, and

(e) a polynucleotide hybridizing under stringent conditions to any of the polynucleotides (a) to (d).

[0541] The method of the present invention can further employ a nucleic acid(s) capable of specifically binding to at least one or more polynucleotides selected from miR-128-2-5p, miR-125a-3p, miR-92a-2-5p, and miR-486-3p.

[0542] In a preferred embodiment, as for such a nucleic acid, specifically, miR-128-2-5p is hsa-miR-128-2-5p, miR-125a-3p is hsa-miR-125a-3p, miR-92a-2-5p is hsa-miR-92a-2-5p, and miR-486-3p is hsa-miR-486-3p.

[0543] In a preferred embodiment, such a nucleic acid(s) is specifically selected from the group consisting of the following polynucleotides (f) to (j):

(f) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(g) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169,

(h) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(i) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, and

(j) a polynucleotide hybridizing under stringent conditions to any of the polynucleotides (f) to (i).

[0544] The method of the present invention can further employ a nucleic acid(s) capable of specifically binding to at least one or more polynucleotides selected from the group consisting of miR-3196, miR-211-3p, miR-4271, miR-6851-5p, miR-149-3p, miR-4667-5p, miR-135a-3p, miR-4486, miR-4697-5p, miR-4725-3p, miR-6510-5p, miR-5001-5p, miR-4673, miR-4466, miR-23a-3p, miR-3656, miR-6782-5p, miR-4689, miR-451a, miR-4446-3p, miR-3180-3p, miR-642a-3p, miR-6889-5p, miR-3178, miR-4665-5p, miR-6722-3p, miR-30c-1-3p, miR-4507, miR-3141, and miR-1199-5p.

[0545] In a preferred embodiment, as for such a nucleic acid, specifically, miR-3196 is hsa-miR-3196, miR-211-3p is hsa-miR-211-3p, miR-4271 is hsa-miR-4271, miR-6851-5p is hsa-miR-6851-5p, miR-149-3p is hsa-miR-149-3p, miR-4667-5p is hsa-miR-4667-5p, miR-135a-3p is hsa-miR-135a-3p, miR-4486 is hsa-miR-4486, miR-4697-5p is hsa-miR-4697-5p, miR-4725-3p is hsa-miR-4725-3p, miR-6510-5p is hsa-miR-6510-5p, miR-5001-5p is hsa-miR-5001-5p, miR-4673 is hsa-miR-4673, miR-4466 is hsa-miR-4466, miR-23a-3p is hsa-miR-23a-3p, miR-3656 is hsa-miR-3656, miR-6782-5p is hsa-miR-6782-5p, miR-4689 is hsa-miR-4689, miR-451a is hsa-miR-451a, miR-4446-3p is hsa-miR-4446-3p, miR-3180-3p is hsa-miR-3180-3p, miR-642a-3p is hsa-miR-642a-3p, miR-6889-5p is hsa-miR-6889-5p, miR-3178 is hsa-miR-3178, miR-4665-5p is hsa-miR-4665-5p, miR-6722-3p is hsa-miR-6722-3p, miR-30c-1-3p is hsa-miR-30c-1-3p, miR-4507 is hsa-miR-4507, miR-3141 is hsa-miR-3141, and miR-1199-5p is hsa-miR-1199-5p.

[0546] Specifically, the nucleic acid(s) further used is a polynucleotide(s) selected from the group consisting of the following polynucleotides (k) to (o):

(k) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(l) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199,

(m) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(n) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, and

(o) a polynucleotide hybridizing under stringent conditions to any of the polynucleotides (k) to (n).

[0547] Examples of the sample used in the method of the present invention can include samples prepared from a living tissue (preferably a stomach tissue) or a body fluid such as blood, serum, plasma, or urine from the subject. Specifically, for example, an RNA-containing sample prepared from the tissue, a polynucleotide-containing sample further prepared therefrom, a body fluid such as blood, serum, plasma, or urine, a portion or the whole of a living tissue collected from the subject by biopsy or the like, or a living tissue excised by surgery can be used, and the sample for measurement can be prepared therefrom.

[0548] The subject used herein refers to a mammal, for example, a human, a monkey, a mouse or a rat without any limitation, and is preferably a human.

[0549] The steps of the method of the present invention can be changed according to the type of the sample to be assayed.

[0550] In the case of using RNA as an analyte, the detection of stomach cancer (cells) can comprise, for example, the following steps (a), (b), and (c):

- (a) binding RNA(s) prepared from the sample of the subject or a complementary polynucleotide(s) (cDNA(s)) transcribed therefrom to a polynucleotide(s) in the kit or the device of the present invention;
- (b) measuring the sample-derived RNA or the cDNA(s) synthesized from the RNA, bound with the polynucleotide by hybridization using the polynucleotide as a nucleic acid probe(s) or by quantitative RT-PCR using the polynucleotide(s) as a primer(s); and
- (c) evaluating the presence or absence of stomach cancer (or stomach cancer-derived gene expression) on the basis of the measurement results of the step (b).

[0551] For example, various hybridization methods can be used for detecting, examining, evaluating, or diagnosing stomach cancer (or stomach cancer-derived gene expression) *in vitro* according to the present invention. For example, Northern blot, Southern blot, RT-PCR, DNA chip analysis, *in situ* hybridization, Northern hybridization, or Southern hybridization can be used as such a hybridization method.

[0552] In the case of using the Northern blot, the presence or absence of expression of each gene or the expression level thereof in the RNA can be detected or measured by use of the nucleic acid probe(s) that can be used in the present invention. Specific examples thereof can include a method which comprises labeling the nucleic acid probe (or a complementary strand) with a radioisotope (^{32}P , ^{33}P , ^{35}S , etc.), a fluorescent material, or the like, hybridizing the labeled product with the tissue-derived RNA of the subject, which is transferred to a nylon membrane or the like according to a routine method, and then detecting and measuring a signal derived from the label (radioisotope or fluorescent material) on the formed DNA/RNA duplex using a radiation detector (examples thereof can include BAS-1800 II (Fujifilm Corp.)) or a fluorescence detector (examples thereof can include STORM 865 (GE Healthcare Japan Corp.)).

[0553] In the case of using the quantitative RT-PCR, the presence or absence of expression of each gene or the expression level thereof in the RNA can be detected or measured by use of the primer that can be used in the present invention. Specific examples thereof can include a method which comprises preparing cDNA from the tissue-derived RNA of the subject according to a routine method, hybridizing a pair of primers (consisting of a plus strand and a reverse strand binding to the cDNA) of the present invention with the cDNA such that the region of each target gene can be amplified with the cDNA as a template, and performing PCR according to a routine method to detect the obtained double-stranded DNA. The method for detecting the double-stranded DNA can include a method of performing the PCR using the primers labeled in advance with a radioisotope or a fluorescent material, a method of electrophoresing the PCR product on an agarose gel and staining the double-stranded DNA with ethidium bromide or the like for detection, and a method of transferring the produced double-stranded DNA to a nylon membrane or the like according to a routine method and hybridizing the double-stranded DNA to a labeled nucleic acid probe for detection.

[0554] In the case of using the nucleic acid array analysis, an RNA chip or a DNA chip in which the nucleic acid probes (single-stranded or double-stranded) of the present invention is attached to a substrate (solid phase) is used. Regions having the attached nucleic acid probes are referred to as probe spots, and regions having no attached nucleic acid probe are referred to as blank spots. A group of genes immobilized on a solid-phase substrate is generally called a nucleic acid chip, a nucleic acid array, a microarray, or the like. The DNA or RNA array includes a DNA or RNA macroarray and a DNA or RNA microarray. The term "chip" used herein includes these arrays. 3D-GeneTM Human miRNA Oligo chip (Toray Industries, Inc.) can be used as the DNA chip, though the DNA chip is not limited thereto.

[0555] Examples of the measurement using the DNA chip can include, but are not limited to, a method of detecting and measuring a signal derived from the label on nucleic acid probes using an image detector (examples thereof can include Typhoon 9410 (GE Healthcare) and 3D-GeneTM scanner (Toray Industries, Inc.)).

[0556] The "stringent conditions" used herein are, as mentioned above, conditions under which a nucleic acid probe hybridizes to its target sequence to a larger extent (e.g., a measurement value equal to or larger than "(a mean of background measurement values) + (a standard deviation of the background measurement values) x 2") than that for other sequences.

[0557] The stringent conditions are defined by hybridization and subsequent washing conditions. Examples of the hybridization conditions include, but not limited to, 30°C to 60°C for 1 to 24 hours in a solution containing SSC, a surfactant, formamide, dextran sulfate, a blocking agent(s), etc. In this context, 1 x SSC is an aqueous solution (pH 7.0) containing 150 mM sodium chloride and 15 mM sodium citrate. The surfactant includes, for example, SDS (sodium dodecyl sulfate), Triton, or Tween. The hybridization conditions more preferably involve 3 to 10 x SSC and 0.1 to 1% SDS. Examples of the conditions for the washing, following the hybridization, which is another condition to define the stringent conditions, can include conditions involving continuous washing at 30°C in a solution containing 0.5 x SSC and 0.1% SDS, at 30°C in a solution containing 0.2 x SSC and 0.1% SDS, and at 30°C in a 0.05 x SSC solution. It is desirable that the complementary strand should maintain its hybridized state with a target plus strand even by washing under such conditions. Specifically, examples of such a complementary strand can include a strand consisting of a

nucleotide sequence in a completely complementary relationship with the nucleotide sequence of the target plus strand, and a strand consisting of a nucleotide sequence having at least 80%, preferably at least 85%, more preferably at least 90% or at least 95%, for example, at least 98% or at least 99% identity to the strand.

[0558] Other examples of the "stringent conditions" for the hybridization are described in, for example, Sambrook, J. & Russel, D., *Molecular Cloning, A LABORATORY MANUAL*, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press, published on January 15, 2001, Vol. 1, 7.42 to 7.45 and Vol. 2, 8.9 to 8.17, and can be used in the present invention.

[0559] Examples of the conditions for carrying out PCR using a polynucleotide fragment(s) in the kit of the present invention as a primer(s) include treatment for approximately 15 seconds to 1 minute at 5 to 10°C plus a T_m value calculated from the sequence(s) of the primer(s), using a PCR buffer having composition such as 10 mM Tris-HCL (pH 8.3), 50 mM KCL, and 1 to 2 mM MgCl₂. Examples of the method for calculating such a T_m value include T_m value = 2 x (the number of adenine residues + the number of thymine residues) + 4 x (the number of guanine residues + the number of cytosine residues).

[0560] In the case of using the quantitative RT-PCR, a commercially available kit for measurement specially designed for quantitatively measuring miRNA, such as TaqMan[™] MicroRNA Assays (Life Technologies Corp.); LNA[™]-based MicroRNA PCR (Exiqon); or Ncode[™] miRNA qRT-PCT kit (Invitrogen Corp.) may be used.

[0561] For the calculation of gene expression levels according to the present invention, statistical treatment described in, for example, *Statistical analysis of gene expression microarray data* (Speed T., Chapman and Hall/CRC), and *A beginner's guide Microarray gene expression data analysis* (Causton H.C. et al., Blackwell publishing) can be used, though the calculation method is not limited thereto. For example, twice, preferably 3 times, more preferably 6 times the standard deviation of the measurement values of the blank spots are added to the average measurement value of the blank spots on the DNA chip, and probe spots having a signal value equal to or larger than the resulting value can be regarded as detection spots. Alternatively, the average measurement value of the blank spots is regarded as a background and can be subtracted from the measurement values of the probe spots to determine gene expression levels. A missing value for a gene expression level can be excluded from the analyte, preferably replaced with the smallest value of the gene expression level in each DNA chip, or more preferably replaced with a value obtained by subtracting 0.1 from a logarithmic value of the smallest value of the gene expression level. In order to eliminate low-signal genes, only a gene having a gene expression level of 2⁶, preferably 2⁸, more preferably 2¹⁰ or larger in 20% or more, preferably 50% or more, more preferably 80% or more of the number of measurement samples can be selected as the analyte. Examples of the normalization of the gene expression level include, but are not limited to, global normalization and quantile normalization (Bolstad, B. M. et al., 2003, *Bioinformatics*, Vol. 19, p. 185-193).

[0562] The present invention also provides a method comprising measuring a target gene or gene expression level(s) in a sample derived from a subject using the polynucleotide(s), the kit, or the device (e.g., chip) for detection of the present invention, or a combination thereof, preparing a discriminant (discriminant function) with gene expression levels in a sample derived from a stomach cancer patient and a sample derived from a healthy subject as supervising samples, and determining or evaluating the presence and/or absence of the stomach cancer-derived gene(s) in the sample.

[0563] Specifically, the present invention further provides the method comprising: a first step of measuring *in vitro* an expression level(s) of a target gene(s) (target nucleic acid) in multiple samples that were known to be able to determine or evaluate the presence and/or absence of the stomach cancer-derived gene(s) in the samples, using the polynucleotide(s), the kit, or the device (e.g., chip) for detection of the present invention, or a combination thereof; a second step of constructing a discriminant with the measurement values of the expression level(s) of the target gene(s) that was obtained in the first step as supervising samples; a third step of measuring *in vitro* an expression level(s) of the target gene(s) in a sample derived from a subject in the same way as in the first step; and a fourth step of substituting the measurement value(s) of the expression level(s) of the target gene(s) obtained in the third step into the discriminant obtained in the second step, and determining or evaluating the presence or absence of the stomach cancer-derived gene(s) in the sample on the basis of the results obtained from the discriminant, wherein the target gene(s) can be detected using the polynucleotide(s) or using a polynucleotide(s) for the detection, that was contained in the polynucleotide, the kit or the device (e.g., chip). In this context, the discriminant can be prepared by use of Fisher's discriminant analysis, nonlinear discriminant analysis based on Mahalanobis' distance, neural network, Support Vector Machine (SVM), or the like, though the method is not limited thereto.

[0564] When a clustering boundary is a straight line or a hyperplane, the linear discriminant analysis is a method for determining the association of a cluster using Formula 1 as a discriminant. In Formula 1, x represents an explanatory variable, w represents a coefficient of the explanatory variable, and w₀ represents a constant term.

$$f(x) = w_0 + \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i \quad \text{Formula 1}$$

[0565] Values obtained from the discriminant are referred to as discriminant scores. The measurement values of a

newly offered data set can be substituted as explanatory variables into the discriminant to determine clusters on the basis of the signs of the discriminant scores.

[0566] The Fisher's discriminant analysis, one type of linear discriminant analysis, is a dimension reduction method for selecting a dimension suitable for discriminating classes, and constructs a highly discriminating synthetic variable by focusing on the variance of the synthetic variables and minimizing the variance of data having the same label (Venables, W.N. et al., Modern Applied Statistics with S. Fourth edition. Springer., 2002). In the Fisher's discriminant analysis, direction w of projection is determined so as to maximize Formula 2. In Formula 2, μ represents an average input, n_g represents the number of data associate with class g , and μ_g represents an average input of the data associate with class g . The numerator and the denominator are the interclass variance and the intraclass variance, respectively, when each data is projected in the direction of the vector w . Discriminant coefficient w_i is determined by maximizing this ratio (Takafumi Kanamori et al., "Pattern Recognition", Kyoritsu Shuppan Co., Ltd. (2009); and Richard O. et al., Pattern Classification Second Edition., Wiley-Interscience, 2000).

$$J(w) = \frac{\sum_{g=1}^G n_g (w^T \mu_g - w^T \mu) (w^T \mu_g - w^T \mu)^T}{\sum_{g=1}^G \sum_{i: y_i = g} (w^T x_i - w^T \mu_g) (w^T x_i - w^T \mu_g)} \quad \text{Formula 2}$$

$$\text{subject to } \mu = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{x_i}{n}, \quad \mu_g = \sum_{i: y_i = g} \frac{x_i}{n_g}$$

[0567] The Mahalanobis' distance is calculated according to Formula 3 in consideration of data correlation and can be used as nonlinear discriminant analysis for determining a cluster in which a data point belongs to, based on a short Mahalanobis' distance from the data point to that cluster. In Formula 3, μ represents a central vector of each cluster, and S^{-1} represents an inverse matrix of the variance-covariance matrix of the cluster. The central vector is calculated from explanatory variable x , and an average vector, a median value vector, or the like can be used.

$$D(x, \mu) = \left\{ (x - \mu)^T S^{-1} (x - \mu) \right\}^{\frac{1}{2}} \quad \text{Formula 3}$$

[0568] SVM is a discriminant analysis method devised by V. Vapnik (The Nature of Statistical Learning Theory, Springer, 1995). Particular data points of a data set having known classes are defined as explanatory variables, and classes are defined as objective variables. A boundary plane called hyperplane for correctly classifying the data set into the known classes is determined, and a discriminant for data classification is determined using the boundary plane. Then, the measurement values of a newly offered data set can be substituted as explanatory variables into the discriminant to determine classes. In this respect, the result of the discriminant analysis may be classes, may be a probability of data to be classified into correct classes, or may be the distance from the hyperplane. In SVM, a method of nonlinearly converting a feature vector to a high dimension and performing linear discriminant analysis in the space is known as a method for tackling nonlinear problems. An expression in which an inner product of two factors in a nonlinearly mapped space is expressed only by inputs in their original spaces is called kernel. Examples of the kernel can include a linear kernel, a RBF (Radial Basis Function) kernel, and a Gaussian kernel. While highly dimensional mapping is performed according to the kernel, the optimum discriminant, i.e., a discriminant, can be actually constructed by mere calculation according to the kernel, which avoids calculating features in the mapped space (e.g., Hideki Aso et al., Frontier of Statistical Science 6 "Statistics of pattern recognition and learning - New concepts and approaches", Iwanami Shoten, Publishers (2004); Nello Cristianini et al., Introduction to SVM, Kyoritsu Shuppan Co., Ltd. (2008)).

[0569] C-support vector classification (C-SVC), one type of SVM, comprises preparing a hyperplane by supervising a data set with the explanatory variables of two groups and classifying an unknown data set into either of the groups (C. Cortes et al., 1995, Machine Learning, Vol. 20, p. 273-297).

[0570] Exemplary calculation of the C-SVC discriminant that can be used in the method of the present invention will be given below. First, all subjects are divided into two groups, i.e., a stomach cancer patient group and a healthy subject group. For example, stomach tissue examination can be used for each subject to be confirmed either as a stomach cancer patient or a healthy subject.

[0571] Next, a data set consisting of comprehensive gene expression levels of serum-derived samples of the two divided groups (hereinafter, this data set is referred to as a training cohort) is prepared, and a C-SVC discriminant is

determined by using genes that were found to differ clearly in their gene expression levels between the two groups as explanatory variables and using this grouping as objective variables (e.g., -1 and +1). An optimizing objective function is represented by Formula 4 wherein e represents all input vectors, y represents an objective variable, a represents a Lagrange's undetermined multiplier vector, Q represents a positive definite matrix, and C represents a parameter for adjusting constrained conditions.

$$\min_a \frac{1}{2} a^T Q a - e^T a \quad \text{Formula 4}$$

$$\text{subject to } y^T a = 0, \quad 0 \leq a_i \leq C, \quad i = 1, \dots, l,$$

[0572] Formula 5 is a finally obtained discriminant, and a group in which the data point belongs to can be determined on the basis of the sign of a value obtained according to the discriminant. In this formula, x represents a support vector, y represents a label indicating the association of a group, a represents the corresponding coefficient, b represents a constant term, and K represents a kernel function.

$$f(x) = \text{sgn} \left(\sum_{i=1}^l y_i a_i K(x_i, x) + b \right) \quad \text{Formula 5}$$

[0573] For example, a RBF kernel defined by Formula 6 can be used as the kernel function. In this formula, x represents a support vector, and y represents a kernel parameter for adjusting the complexity of the hyperplane.

$$K(x_i, x_j) = \exp \left(-r \|x_i - x_j\|^2 \right), \quad r < 0 \quad \text{Formula 6}$$

[0574] In addition, an approach such as neural network, k-nearest neighbor algorithms, decision trees, or logistic regression analysis can be selected as a method for determining or evaluating the presence and/or absence of expression of a stomach cancer-derived target gene(s) in a sample derived from a subject, or for evaluating the expression level thereof by comparison with a control derived from a healthy subject.

[0575] The method of the present invention can comprise, for example, the following steps (a), (b), and (c):

(a) measuring an expression level(s) of a target gene(s) in tissues containing stomach cancer-derived genes derived from stomach cancer patients and/or samples already known to be tissues containing no stomach cancer-derived gene(s) derived from healthy subjects, using the polynucleotide(s), the kit, or the device (e.g., DNA chip) for detection according to the present invention;

(b) preparing the discriminants of Formulas 1 to 3, 5, and 6 described above from the measurement values of the expression level measured in the step (a); and

(c) measuring an expression level(s) of the target gene(s) in a sample derived from a subject using the polynucleotide(s), the kit, or the device (e.g., DNA chip) for diagnosis (detection) according to the present invention, substituting the obtained measurement value(s) into the discriminants prepared in the step (b), and determining or evaluating the presence and/or absence of the stomach cancer-derived target gene(s) in the sample, or evaluating the expression level(s) thereof by comparison with a healthy subject-derived control, on the basis of the obtained results. In this context, in the discriminants of Formulas 1 to 3, 5, and 6, x represents an explanatory variable and includes a value obtained by measuring a polynucleotide(s) selected from the polynucleotides described in the Section 2 above, or any fragment thereof, etc. Specifically, the explanatory variable for discriminating a stomach cancer patient from a healthy subject according to the present invention is a gene expression level(s) selected from, for example, the following expression levels (1) to (3):

(1) a gene expression level(s) in the serum of a stomach cancer patient or a healthy subject measured by any DNA comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides in a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642 or a complementary sequence thereof,

(2) a gene expression level(s) in the serum of a stomach cancer patient or a healthy subject measured by any DNA comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides in a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID

NOs: 166 to 169 or a complementary sequence thereof, and

(3) a gene expression level(s) in the serum of a stomach cancer patient or a healthy subject measured by any DNA comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides in a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199 or a complementary sequence thereof.

[0576] As described above, for the method for determining or evaluating the presence and/or absence of a stomach cancer-derived gene(s) in a sample derived from a subject, the preparation of a discriminant requires a discriminant prepared in a training cohort. For enhancing the accuracy of the discriminant, it is necessary for the discriminant to use genes that show clear difference between two groups in the training cohort.

[0577] Each gene that is used for an explanatory variable in a discriminant is preferably determined as follows. First, comprehensive gene expression levels of a stomach cancer patient group and comprehensive gene expression levels of a healthy subject group in a training cohort are used as a data set, the degree of difference in the expression level of each gene between the two groups is determined through the use of, for example, the P value of t test, which is parametric analysis, or the P value of Mann-Whitney's U test or Wilcoxon test, which is nonparametric analysis.

[0578] The gene can be regarded as being statistically significant when the critical rate (significance level) as the P value obtained by the test is smaller than, for example, 5%, 1%, or 0.01 %.

[0579] In order to correct an increased probability of type I error attributed to the repetition of a test, a method known in the art, for example, Bonferroni or Holm method, can be used for the correction (e.g., Yasushi Nagata et al., "Basics of statistical multiple comparison methods", Scientist Press Co., Ltd. (2007)). As an example of the Bonferroni correction, for example, the P value obtained by a test is multiplied by the number of repetitions of the test, i.e., the number of genes used in the analysis, and the obtained value can be compared with a desired significance level to suppress a probability of causing type I error in the whole test.

[0580] Instead of the statistical test, the absolute value (fold change) of an expression ratio of a median value of each gene expression level between gene expression levels of a stomach cancer patient group and gene expression levels of a healthy subject group may be calculated to select a gene that is used for an explanatory variable in a discriminant. Alternatively, ROC curves may be prepared using gene expression levels of a stomach cancer patient group and a healthy subject group, and a gene that is used for an explanatory variable in a discriminant can be selected on the basis of an AUROC value.

[0581] Next, a discriminant that can be calculated by various methods described above is prepared using any number of genes having large difference in their gene expression levels determined here. Examples of the method for constructing a discriminant that produces the largest discriminant accuracy include a method of constructing a discriminant in every combination of genes that satisfy the significance level of P value, and a method of repetitively evaluating a discriminant while increasing the number of genes for use one by one in a descending order of difference in gene expression level (Furey TS. et al., 2000, Bioinformatics., Vol. 16, p. 906-14). A gene expression level of another independent stomach cancer patient or healthy subject is substituted as an explanatory variable into this discriminant to calculate discriminant results of the group to which this independent stomach cancer patient or healthy subject associate. Specifically, the found gene set for diagnosis and the discriminant constructed using the gene set for diagnosis can be evaluated in an independent sample cohort to find a more universal gene set for diagnosis capable of detecting stomach cancer and a more universal method for discriminating stomach cancer.

[0582] Split-sample method is preferably used for evaluating the discriminant performance (generality) of the discriminant. Specifically, a data set is divided into a training cohort and a validation cohort, and gene selection by a statistical test and discriminant preparation are performed in the training cohort. Accuracy, sensitivity, and specificity are calculated using a result of discriminating a validation cohort according to the discriminant and a true group to which the validation cohort associate, to evaluate the performance of the discriminant. On the other hand, instead of dividing a data set, the gene selection by a statistical test and discriminant preparation may be performed using all of samples, and accuracy, sensitivity, and specificity can be calculated by the discriminant analysis of a newly prepared samples for evaluation of the performance of the discriminant.

[0583] The present invention provides a polynucleotide(s) for detection or for disease diagnosis useful in the diagnosis and treatment of stomach cancer, a method for detecting stomach cancer using the polynucleotide(s), and a kit and a device for the detection of stomach cancer, comprising the polynucleotide(s). Particularly, in order to select a gene(s) for diagnosis and prepare a discriminant so as to exhibit accuracy beyond a stomach cancer diagnosis method using existing tumor markers CEA and CA19-9, a gene set for diagnosis and a discriminant for the method of the present invention, that exhibit accuracy beyond CEA and CA19-9, can be constructed, for example, by comparing expressed genes in serum derived from a patient confirmed to be negative using CEA and CA19-9 but finally found to have stomach cancer by detailed examination such as computed tomography using a contrast medium, with genes expressed in serum derived from a patient having no stomach cancer.

[0584] For example, the gene set for diagnosis is set to any combination selected from one or two or more of the polynucleotides based on a nucleotide sequence(s) represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642 or a

complementary sequence(s) thereof as described above; and optionally one or two or more of the polynucleotides based on a nucleotide sequence(s) represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169 or a complementary sequence(s) thereof; and optionally one or two or more of the polynucleotides based on a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199 or a complementary sequence thereof. Further, a discriminant is constructed using expression levels of the gene set for diagnosis in samples derived from class I stomach cancer patients and samples derived from class II healthy subjects as a result of tissue diagnosis. As a result, the presence or absence of stomach cancer-derived genes in an unknown sample can be determined with 100% accuracy at the maximum by measuring expression levels of the gene set for diagnosis in an unknown sample.

Examples

[0585] Hereinafter, the present invention will be described further specifically with reference to Examples below. However, the scope of the present invention is not intended to be limited by these Examples.

[Reference Example 1]

<Collection of samples from stomach cancer patient and healthy subject>

[0586] Serum was collected using VENOJECT II vacuum blood collecting tube VP-AS109K60 (Terumo Corp.) from each of 100 healthy subjects and 34 stomach cancer patients (19 cases with stage IA, 5 cases with stage IB, 2 cases with stage IIA, 2 cases with stage IIB, 3 cases with stage IIIA, and 3 cases with stage IIIC) with no primary cancer found in areas other than stomach cancer after acquisition of informed consent, and used as a training cohort. Likewise, serum was collected using VENOJECT II vacuum blood collecting tube VP-AS109K60 (Terumo Corp.) from each of 50 healthy subjects and 16 stomach cancer patients (9 cases with stage IA, 2 cases with stage IB, 2 cases with stage IIA, 1 case with stage IIB, 1 case with stage IIIA, and 1 case with stage IIIC) with no primary cancer found in areas other than stomach cancer after acquisition of informed consent, and used as a validation cohort.

<Extraction of total RNA>

[0587] Total RNA was obtained from 300 μ L of the serum sample obtained from each of 200 persons in total of 150 healthy subjects and 50 stomach cancer patients included in the training cohort and the validation cohort, using a reagent for RNA extraction in 3D-GeneTM RNA extraction reagent from liquid sample kit (Toray Industries, Inc.) according to the protocol provided by the manufacturer.

<Measurement of gene expression level>

[0588] miRNAs in the total RNA obtained from the serum samples of each of 200 persons in total of 150 healthy subjects and 50 stomach cancer patients included in the training cohort and the validation cohort were fluorescently labeled using 3D-GeneTM miRNA Labeling kit (Toray Industries, Inc.) according to the protocol (ver 2.20) provided by the manufacturer. The oligo DNA chip used was 3D-GeneTM Human miRNA Oligo chip (Toray Industries, Inc.) with attached probes having sequences complementary to 2,555 miRNAs among the miRNAs registered in miRBase Release 20. Hybridization between the miRNAs in the total RNA and the probes on the DNA chip under stringent conditions and washing following the hybridization were performed according to the protocol provided by the manufacturer. The DNA chip was scanned using 3D-GeneTM scanner (Toray Industries, Inc.) to obtain images. Fluorescence intensity was digitized using 3D-GeneTM Extraction (Toray Industries, Inc.). The digitized fluorescence intensity was converted to a logarithmic value having a base of 2 and used as a gene expression level, from which a blank value was subtracted. A missing value was replaced with a value obtained by subtracting 0.1 from a logarithmic value of the smallest value of the gene expression level in each DNA chip. As a result, the comprehensive gene expression levels of the miRNAs in the sera were obtained in the 50 stomach cancer patients and the 150 healthy subjects. Calculation and statistical analysis using the digitized gene expression levels of the miRNAs were carried out using R language 3.0.2 (R Development Core Team (2013). R: A language and environment for statistical computing. R Foundation for Statistical Computing, URL <http://www.R-project.org/>) and MASS package 7.3-30 (Venables, W. N. & Ripley, B. D. (2002) Modern Applied Statistics with S. Fourth Edition. Springer, New York. ISBN 0-387-95457-0).

[Reference Example 2]

<Collection of sample from patient with cancer other than stomach cancers>

[0589] Serum was collected using VENOJECT II vacuum blood collecting tube VP-AS109K60 (Terumo Corp.) from each of 63 pancreatic cancer patients, 65 bile duct cancer patients, 35 colorectal cancer patients, 32 liver cancer patients, and 17 benign pancreaticobiliary disease patients with no cancer found in other organs after acquisition of informed consent, and used as a training cohort together with the samples of 34 stomach cancer patients and 102 healthy subjects of Reference Example 1. Likewise, serum was collected using VENOJECT II vacuum blood collecting tube VP-AS109K60 (Terumo Corp.) from each of 37 pancreatic cancer patients, 33 bile duct cancer patients, 15 colorectal cancer patients, 20 liver cancer patients, and 4 benign pancreaticobiliary disease patients with no cancer found in other organs after acquisition of informed consent, and used as a validation cohort together with the samples of 16 stomach cancer patients with no cancer found in areas other than stomach cancer and 48 healthy subjects of Reference Example 1. Subsequent operations were conducted in the same way as in Reference Example 1.

[Example 1]

<Selection of gene markers using the training cohort, and method for evaluating stomach cancer discriminant performance of single gene marker using the validation cohort>

[0590] In this Example, a gene marker for discriminating a stomach cancer patient from a healthy subject was selected from the training cohort and studied in samples of the validation cohort independent of the training cohort, for a method for evaluating the stomach cancer discriminant performance of each selected gene marker alone.

[0591] Specifically, first, the miRNA expression levels of the training cohort and the validation cohort obtained in the preceding Reference Examples were combined and normalized by quantile normalization.

[0592] Next, genes for diagnosis were selected using the training cohort. Here, in order to acquire diagnostic markers with higher reliability, only genes having the expression level of 2^6 or higher in 50% or more of the samples in either of the stomach cancer patient group of the training cohort or the healthy subject group of the training cohort were selected. In order to further acquire statistically significant genes for discriminating a stomach cancer patient group from a healthy subject group, the P value obtained by two-tailed t-test assuming equal variance as to each gene expression level was corrected by the Bonferroni method, and genes that satisfied $p < 0.01$ were acquired as gene markers for use in explanatory variables of a discriminant. The result is described in Table 2.

[0593] In this way, polynucleotides consisting of hsa-miR-4257, hsa-miR-6726-5p, hsa-miR-1343-3p, hsa-miR-1247-3p, hsa-miR-6787-5p, hsa-miR-6875-5p, hsa-miR-1225-3p, hsa-miR-8063, hsa-miR-6781-5p, hsa-miR-4746-3p, hsa-miR-1908-5p, hsa-miR-6756-5p, hsa-miR-204-3p, hsa-miR-4651, hsa-miR-6757-5p, hsa-miR-6825-5p, hsa-miR-7108-5p, hsa-miR-4792, hsa-miR-7641, hsa-miR-3188, hsa-miR-3131, hsa-miR-6780b-5p, hsa-miR-8069, hsa-miR-6840-3p, hsa-miR-8072, hsa-miR-1233-5p, hsa-miR-6887-5p, hsa-miR-1231, hsa-miR-5572, hsa-miR-6738-5p, hsa-miR-6784-5p, hsa-miR-6791-5p, hsa-miR-6749-5p, hsa-miR-6741-5p, hsa-miR-128-1-5p, hsa-miR-4419b, hsa-miR-6746-5p, hsa-miR-3184-5p, hsa-miR-3679-5p, hsa-miR-7110-5p, hsa-miR-4516, hsa-miR-6717-5p, hsa-miR-6826-5p, hsa-miR-4433b-3p, hsa-miR-3679-3p, hsa-miR-3135b, hsa-miR-3622a-5p, hsa-miR-711, hsa-miR-4467, hsa-miR-6857-5p, hsa-miR-6515-3p, hsa-miR-1225-5p, hsa-miR-187-5p, hsa-miR-3185, hsa-miR-642b-3p, hsa-miR-1249, hsa-miR-744-5p, hsa-miR-4442, hsa-miR-1228-3p, hsa-miR-939-5p, hsa-miR-6845-5p, hsa-miR-887-3p, hsa-miR-7845-5p, hsa-miR-6729-5p, hsa-miR-4632-5p, hsa-miR-615-5p, hsa-miR-6724-5p, hsa-miR-4728-5p, hsa-miR-6732-5p, hsa-miR-6816-5p, hsa-miR-4695-5p, hsa-miR-6088, hsa-miR-7975, hsa-miR-3197, hsa-miR-6125, hsa-miR-4433-3p, hsa-miR-6727-5p, hsa-miR-4706, hsa-miR-7847-3p, hsa-miR-6805-3p, hsa-miR-6766-3p, hsa-miR-1913, hsa-miR-4649-5p, hsa-miR-602, hsa-miR-3663-3p, hsa-miR-6893-5p, hsa-miR-6861-5p, hsa-miR-4449, hsa-miR-6842-5p, hsa-miR-4454, hsa-miR-5195-3p, hsa-miR-663b, hsa-miR-6765-5p, hsa-miR-4513, hsa-miR-614, hsa-miR-6785-5p, hsa-miR-6777-5p, hsa-miR-940, hsa-miR-4741, hsa-miR-6870-5p, hsa-miR-6131, hsa-miR-150-3p, hsa-miR-4707-5p, hsa-miR-1915-3p, hsa-miR-3937, hsa-miR-937-5p, hsa-miR-4443, hsa-miR-1914-3p, hsa-miR-3620-5p, hsa-miR-1268b, hsa-miR-1227-5p, hsa-miR-6880-5p, hsa-miR-4417, hsa-miR-6802-5p, hsa-miR-6769a-5p, hsa-miR-663a, hsa-miR-6721-5p, hsa-miR-4532, hsa-miR-7977, hsa-miR-92b-5p, hsa-miR-371a-5p, hsa-miR-6126, hsa-miR-4734, hsa-miR-4665-3p, hsa-miR-423-5p, hsa-miR-1469, hsa-miR-4675, hsa-miR-1915-5p, hsa-miR-6716-5p, hsa-miR-718, hsa-miR-4281, hsa-miR-6820-5p, hsa-miR-6795-5p, hsa-miR-6779-5p, hsa-miR-7109-5p, hsa-miR-6798-5p, hsa-miR-4648, hsa-miR-8059, hsa-miR-6765-3p, hsa-miR-6132, hsa-miR-4492, hsa-miR-7107-5p, hsa-miR-3195, hsa-miR-3180, hsa-miR-296-3p, hsa-miR-564, hsa-miR-1268a, hsa-miR-6848-5p, hsa-miR-762, hsa-miR-2861, hsa-miR-1203, hsa-miR-1260b, hsa-miR-4476, hsa-miR-6885-5p, hsa-miR-6769b-5p, hsa-miR-23b-3p, hsa-miR-1343-5p, hsa-miR-3621, hsa-miR-4688, hsa-miR-4286, hsa-miR-4640-5p, hsa-miR-4739, hsa-miR-1260a, hsa-miR-4276, hsa-miR-7106, hsa-miR-128-2-5p, hsa-miR-125a-3p, hsa-miR-92a-2-5p and hsa-miR-486-3p genes, and the nucleotide sequences of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to

169 related thereto were found.

[0594] Among them, genes newly found as markers for examining the presence or absence of stomach cancer are polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165.

[0595] A discriminant for determining the presence or absence of stomach cancer was further prepared by Fisher's discriminant analysis with the expression levels of these genes as indicators. Specifically, any newly found polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 169 in the training cohort was applied for Formula 2 to construct a discriminant. Calculated accuracy, sensitivity, and specificity are shown in Table 3. In this respect, a discriminant coefficient and a constant term are shown in Table 4. In this context, all of the polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 169 were selected as markers capable of determining all of papillary adenocarcinoma, tubular adenocarcinoma (3 cases), low differentiated adenocarcinoma, signet-ring cell carcinoma, and mucinous carcinoma, which are main types of stomach cancer.

[0596] Next, accuracy, sensitivity, and specificity in the validation cohort were calculated using the discriminant thus prepared, and the discriminant performance of the selected polynucleotides was validated using independent samples (Table 3). For example, the expression level measurement value of the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 1 was compared between the healthy subjects (100 persons) and the stomach cancer patients (34 persons) in the training cohort. As a result, the gene expression level measurement values were found to be significantly lower in the stomach cancer patient group than in the healthy subject group (see the left diagram of Figure 2). These results were also reproducible in the healthy subjects (50 persons) and the stomach cancer patients (16 persons) in the validation cohort (see the right diagram of Figure 2). Likewise, the results obtained about the other polynucleotides shown in SEQ ID NOs: 2 to 169 showed that the gene expression level measurement values were significantly lower (-) or higher (+) in the stomach cancer patient group than in the healthy subject group (Table 2). These results were able to be validated in the validation cohort. For example, as for this nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 1, the number of correctly or incorrectly identified samples in the detection of stomach cancer was calculated using the threshold (6.29) that was set in the training cohort and discriminated between the groups. As a result, 14 true positives, 49 true negatives, 1 false positive, and 2 false negatives were obtained. From these values, 95.5% accuracy, 87.5% sensitivity, and 98% specificity were obtained as the detection performance. In this way, the detection performance was calculated as to all of the polynucleotides shown in SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 169, and described in Table 3. The polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 169 shown in Table 3, exhibited sensitivity of 87.5%, 93.8%, 93.8%, 81.2%, 93.8%, 87.5%, 87.5%, 81.2%, 68.8%, 87.5%, 75.0%, 81.2%, 87.5%, 75.0%, 81.2%, 93.8%, 68.8%, 81.2%, 56.2%, 68.8%, 87.5%, 56.2%, 62.5%, 62.5%, 62.5%, 75.0%, 56.2%, 87.5%, 93.8%, 62.5%, 87.5%, 62.5%, 68.8%, 81.2%, 81.2%, 62.5%, 81.2%, 81.2%, 62.5%, 87.5%, 62.5%, 75.0%, 56.2%, 75.0%, 62.5%, 56.2%, 68.8%, 62.5%, 56.2%, 93.8%, 62.5%, 62.5%, 56.2%, 81.2%, 68.8%, 56.2%, 43.8%, 75.0%, 75.0%, 68.8%, 81.2%, 75.0%, 68.8%, 68.8%, 43.8%, 62.5%, 50.0%, 50.0%, 62.5%, 62.5%, 50.0%, 68.8%, 37.5%, 50.0%, 37.5%, 68.8%, 68.8%, 56.2%, 12.5%, 75.0%, 50.0%, 50.0%, 37.5%, 68.8%, 25.0%, 81.2%, 43.8%, 56.2%, 62.5%, 37.5%, 43.8%, 43.8%, 37.5%, 43.8%, 31.2%, 43.8%, 50.0%, 25%, 43.8%, 37.5%, 37.5%, 31.2%, 25.0%, 25.0%, 56.2%, 31.2%, 43.8%, 56.2%, 50.0%, 37.5%, 31.2%, 31.2%, 37.5%, 50.0%, 12.5%, 31.2%, 56.2%, 18.8%, 43.8%, 18.8%, 37.5%, 31.2%, 37.5%, 50.0%, 50.0%, 12.5%, 31.2%, 31.2%, 31.2%, 31.2%, 50.0%, 37.5%, 18.8%, 37.5%, 50.0%, 43.8%, 18.8%, 43.8%, 31.2%, 18.8%, 50.0%, 25.0%, 31.2%, 31.2%, 18.8%, 43.8%, 6.2%, 25.0%, 12.5%, 31.2%, 12.5%, 18.8%, 37.5%, 6.2%, 31.2%, 6.2%, 18.8%, 6.2%, 18.8%, 6.2%, 12.5%, 18.8%, 6.2%, 12.5%, 6.2%, 50.0%, 68.8%, 31.2%, and 25.0%, respectively, in the validation cohort. As seen from Comparative Example mentioned later, the existing markers CEA and CA19-9 had sensitivity of 12.5% (when the abnormal value of CEA was defined as 5 ng/ml or higher) and 12.5% (when the abnormal value of CA19-9 was defined as 37 U/ml or higher), respectively, in the validation cohort, demonstrating that all of the polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 169 can discriminate, each alone, stomach cancer in the validation cohort with sensitivity beyond CEA and CA19-9.

[0597] For example, 4 polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs: 3, 5, 21, and 28 were able to correctly determine stomach cancer as to 9 stage IA stomach cancer samples contained in the validation cohort. Thus, these polynucleotides can detect even early stomach cancer and contribute to the early diagnosis of stomach cancer.

[Example 2]

<Method for evaluating stomach cancer discriminant performance by combination of multiple gene markers using samples in the validation cohort>

[0598] In this Example, a method for evaluating stomach cancer discriminant performance by a combination of the gene markers selected in Example 1 was studied. Specifically, Fisher's discriminant analysis was conducted as to 14,190 combinations of two expression level measurement values comprising at least one or more of the expression level measurement values of the newly found polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ

ID NOs: 1 to 165 among any of the polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 169 selected in Example 1, to construct a discriminant for determining the presence or absence of stomach cancer. Next, accuracy, sensitivity, and specificity in the validation cohort were calculated using the discriminant thus prepared, and the discriminant performance of the selected polynucleotides was validated using the independent samples.

[0599] For example, the expression level measurement values of the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NO: 1 and SEQ ID NO: 2 were compared between the healthy subjects (100 persons) and the stomach cancer patients (34 persons) in the training cohort. As a result, a scatter diagram that significantly separated the expression level measurement values of the stomach cancer patient group from those of the healthy subject group was obtained (see the left diagram of Figure 3). These results were also reproducible in the healthy subjects (50 persons) and the stomach cancer patients (16 persons) in the validation cohort (see the right diagram of Figure 3). Likewise, a scatter diagram that significantly separated the gene expression level measurement values of the stomach cancer patient group from those of the healthy subject group was also obtained as to the other combinations of two expression level measurement values comprising at least one or more of the expression level measurement values of the newly found polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 among the polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 169. These results were able to be validated in the validation cohort. For example, as for these nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NO: 1 and SEQ ID NO: 2, the number of samples that were correctly or incorrectly identified in the detection of stomach cancer was calculated using the function ($0 = 0.83x + y - 14.78$) that was set in the training cohort and discriminated between the two groups. As a result, 15 true positives, 50 true negatives, 0 false positives, and 1 false negative were obtained. From these values, 98.5% accuracy, 93.8% sensitivity, and 100% specificity were obtained as the detection performance. In this way, the detection performance was calculated as to all of the combinations of two expression level measurement values comprising at least one or more of the expression level measurement values of any of the newly found polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 among the polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 169. Among them, 168 combinations comprising the expression level measurement value of the polynucleotide consisting of the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 1 and the detection performance thereof were described in Table 6 as an example. For example, a combination of the expression level measurement values of the polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs: 1 and 14 exhibited sensitivity of 100% in the validation cohort. Also, all of combinations of two polynucleotides consisting of nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NO: 1 and any of SEQ ID NOs: 2, 4, 14, 17, 22, 24, 27, 32, 39, 43, 46, 48, 53, 65, 66, 67, 78, 89, 91, 98, 99, 113, 116, 122, 129, 141, 144, 148, 150, 154, and 156 exhibited specificity of 100%. 14,159 combinations of the expression level measurement values of polynucleotides having sensitivity beyond the existing marker CEA or CA19-9 (both 12.5% in Table 5) were obtained in the validation cohort. All of the nucleotide sequences 1 to 165 described in Table 2 obtained in Example 1 were employed at least once in these combinations. These results demonstrated that the combined use of two of the polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 180 can also discriminate stomach cancer with excellent performance beyond the existing marker. Thus, the combinations of two expression level measurement values of the polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequences also produced excellent stomach cancer detection sensitivity.

[0600] Markers for the detection of stomach cancer with better sensitivity are obtained by further combining 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 or more of the expression level measurement values of the polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 169. For example, the newly found polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 among the polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 169 selected in Example 1 were measured to obtain their expression levels between the healthy subject group and the stomach cancer group in the validation cohort. All of the polynucleotides were ranked in the descending order of their P values based on the Student's t-test which indicates statistical significance of difference between groups (i.e., one having the lowest P value was ranked in the first place), and stomach cancer detection sensitivity was evaluated using combinations of one or more polynucleotides to which the polynucleotides were added one by one from the top to the bottom according to the rank. In short, the order in which the polynucleotides were combined in this evaluation is in reverse in terms of SEQ ID NOs from SEQ ID NO: 165 to SEQ ID NOs: 164, 163, ... shown in Table 2. As a result, the sensitivity in the validation cohort was 6.2% for 1 polynucleotide (SEQ ID NO: 165), 62.5% for 2 polynucleotides (SEQ ID NOs: 165 and 164), 68.8% for 4 polynucleotides (SEQ ID NOs: 162 to 165), 75.0% for 8 polynucleotides (SEQ ID NOs: 158 to 165), 87.5% for 13 polynucleotides (SEQ ID NOs: 153 to 165), 93.8% for 15 polynucleotides (SEQ ID NOs: 151 to 165), 100% for 23 polynucleotides (SEQ ID NOs: 143 to 165), 100% for 50 polynucleotides (SEQ ID NOs: 116 to 165), 100% for 80 polynucleotides (SEQ ID NOs: 86 to 165), 100% for 100 polynucleotides (SEQ ID NOs: 66 to 165), 100% for 150 polynucleotides (SEQ ID NOs: 16 to 165), and 100% for 165 polynucleotides (SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165).

[0601] These results demonstrated that a combination of multiple polynucleotides can produce higher stomach cancer discriminant performance than that of each polynucleotide alone or a combination of a fewer number of polynucleotides. In this context, the combinations of multiple polynucleotides are not limited to the combinations of the polynucleotides

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added in the order of statistically significant difference as described above, and any combination of multiple polynucleotides can be used in the detection of stomach cancer.

[0602] From these results, it can be concluded that all of the polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 169 serve as excellent markers for the detection of stomach cancer.

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[Table 2]

SEQ ID NO:	Gene name	P value after Bonferroni correction	Expression level in stomach cancer patient relative to healthy subject
1	hsa-miR-4257	1.77.E-35	-
2	hsa-miR-6726-5p	1.21.E-34	-
3	hsa-miR-1343-3p	2.35.E-27	-
4	hsa-miR-1247-3p	1.41.E-25	+
5	hsa-miR-6787-5p	9.96.E-25	-
6	hsa-miR-6875-5p	3.18.E-23	+
7	hsa-miR-1225-3p	4.17.E-23	+
8	hsa-miR-8063	1.39.E-22	-
9	hsa-miR-6781-5p	4.80.E-22	+
10	hsa-miR-4746-3p	7.08.E-22	+
11	hsa-miR-1908-5p	1.66.E-21	+
12	hsa-miR-6756-5p	2.78.E-21	-
13	hsa-miR-204-3p	3.60.E-21	-
14	hsa-miR-4651	3.74.E-21	-
15	hsa-miR-6757-5p	5.50.E-21	-
16	hsa-miR-6825-5p	7.04.E-20	+
17	hsa-miR-7108-5p	8.87.E-20	+
18	hsa-miR-4792	1.50.E-19	+
19	hsa-miR-7641	2.77.E-19	-
20	hsa-miR-3188	4.51.E-19	+
21	hsa-miR-3131	1.03.E-18	-
22	hsa-miR-6780b-5p	1.44.E-18	+
23	hsa-miR-8069	2.56.E-18	+
24	hsa-miR-6840-3p	3.01.E-18	-
25	hsa-miR-8072	4.25.E-18	+
26	hsa-miR-1233-5p	2.25.E-17	-
27	hsa-miR-6887-5p	4.74.E-17	-
28	hsa-miR-1231	5.08.E-17	+
29	hsa-miR-5572	1.08.E-16	+
30	hsa-miR-6738-5p	1.16.E-16	-
31	hsa-miR-6784-5p	1.68.E-16	+
32	hsa-miR-6791-5p	3.16.E-16	+
33	hsa-miR-6749-5p	3.69.E-16	-

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	SEQ ID NO:	Gene name	P value after Bonferroni correction	Expression level in stomach cancer patient relative to healthy subject
5	34	hsa-miR-6741-5p	5.38.E-16	-
	35	hsa-miR-128-1-5p	1.67.E-15	+
	36	hsa-miR-4419b	2.16.E-15	-
10	37	hsa-miR-6746-5p	2.49.E-15	-
	38	hsa-miR-3184-5p	2.56.E-15	+
	39	hsa-miR-3679-5p	2.88.E-15	+
	40	hsa-miR-7110-5p	3.95.E-15	+
15	41	hsa-miR-4516	4.43.E-15	-
	42	hsa-miR-6717-5p	4.77.E-15	-
	43	hsa-miR-6826-5p	4.94.E-15	-
20	44	hsa-miR-4433b-3p	5.34.E-15	+
	45	hsa-miR-3679-3p	2.55.E-14	+
	46	hsa-miR-3135b	3.35.E-14	-
	47	hsa-miR-3622a-5p	4.36.E-14	-
25	48	hsa-miR-711	5.86.E-14	+
	49	hsa-miR-4467	7.26.E-14	+
	50	hsa-miR-6857-5p	2.73.E-13	+
30	51	hsa-miR-6515-3p	3.28.E-13	+
	52	hsa-miR-1225-5p	4.67.E-13	+
	53	hsa-miR-187-5p	5.39.E-13	-
	54	hsa-miR-3185	6.80.E-13	+
35	55	hsa-miR-642b-3p	8.60.E-13	-
	56	hsa-miR-1249	1.16.E-12	+
	57	hsa-miR-744-5p	2.15.E-12	+
40	58	hsa-miR-4442	3.26.E-12	-
	59	hsa-miR-1228-3p	4.54.E-12	+
	60	hsa-miR-939-5p	7.77.E-12	+
	61	hsa-miR-6845-5p	9.25.E-12	+
45	62	hsa-miR-887-3p	1.35.E-11	+
	63	hsa-miR-7845-5p	1.81.E-11	+
	64	hsa-miR-6729-5p	2.80.E-11	+
50	65	hsa-miR-4632-5p	6.45.E-11	+
	66	hsa-miR-615-5p	7.56.E-11	-
	67	hsa-miR-6724-5p	8.75.E-11	+
	68	hsa-miR-4728-5p	1.05.E-10	-
55	69	hsa-miR-6732-5p	1.23.E-10	+
	70	hsa-miR-6816-5p	1.35.E-10	+

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	SEQ ID NO:	Gene name	P value after Bonferroni correction	Expression level in stomach cancer patient relative to healthy subject
5	71	hsa-miR-4695-5p	4.88.E-10	+
	72	hsa-miR-6088	5.46.E-10	-
	73	hsa-miR-7975	5.48.E-10	-
10	74	hsa-miR-3197	5.56.E-10	+
	75	hsa-miR-6125	6.01.E-10	+
	76	hsa-miR-4433-3p	6.04.E-10	+
	77	hsa-miR-6727-5p	8.92.E-10	-
15	78	hsa-miR-4706	1.09.E-09	-
	79	hsa-miR-7847-3p	1.25.E-09	-
	80	hsa-miR-6805-3p	1.57.E-09	+
20	81	hsa-miR-6766-3p	1.95.E-09	+
	82	hsa-miR-1913	2.12.E-09	+
	83	hsa-miR-4649-5p	2.42.E-09	-
	84	hsa-miR-602	2.50.E-09	+
25	85	hsa-miR-3663-3p	2.83.E-09	-
	86	hsa-miR-6893-5p	3.40.E-09	-
	87	hsa-miR-6861-5p	3.53.E-09	-
30	88	hsa-miR-4449	4.40.E-09	+
	89	hsa-miR-6842-5p	4.48.E-09	+
	90	hsa-miR-4454	4.77.E-09	-
	91	hsa-miR-5195-3p	6.01.E-09	-
35	92	hsa-miR-663b	9.12.E-09	-
	93	hsa-miR-6765-5p	2.06.E-08	+
	94	hsa-miR-4513	2.61.E-08	-
40	95	hsa-miR-614	4.92.E-08	-
	96	hsa-miR-6785-5p	5.85.E-08	-
	97	hsa-miR-6777-5p	6.02.E-08	-
	98	hsa-miR-940	8.08.E-08	+
45	99	hsa-miR-4741	9.53.E-08	+
	100	hsa-miR-6870-5p	1.07.E-07	+
	101	hsa-miR-6131	1.21.E-07	-
50	102	hsa-miR-150-3p	1.31.E-07	-
	103	hsa-miR-4707-5p	1.70.E-07	+
	104	hsa-miR-1915-3p	2.00.E-07	+
	105	hsa-miR-3937	2.17.E-07	+
55	106	hsa-miR-937-5p	2.85.E-07	-
	107	hsa-miR-4443	3.12.E-07	+

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	SEQ ID NO:	Gene name	P value after Bonferroni correction	Expression level in stomach cancer patient relative to healthy subject
5	108	hsa-miR-1914-3p	3.23.E-07	-
	109	hsa-miR-3620-5p	3.97.E-07	+
	110	hsa-miR-1268b	5.51.E-07	+
10	111	hsa-miR-1227-5p	8.69.E-07	+
	112	hsa-miR-6880-5p	9.59.E-07	+
	113	hsa-miR-4417	1.28.E-06	+
	114	hsa-miR-6802-5p	1.30.E-06	-
15	115	hsa-miR-6769a-5p	1.32.E-06	-
	116	hsa-miR-663a	1.42.E-06	+
	117	hsa-miR-6721-5p	1.73.E-06	+
20	118	hsa-miR-4532	2.01.E-06	-
	119	hsa-miR-7977	2.27.E-06	-
	120	hsa-miR-92b-5p	2.37.E-06	+
	121	hsa-miR-371a-5p	2.37.E-06	-
25	122	hsa-miR-6126	2.47.E-06	+
	123	hsa-miR-4734	2.53.E-06	+
	124	hsa-miR-4665-3p	2.71.E-06	+
30	125	hsa-miR-423-5p	4.04.E-06	-
	126	hsa-miR-1469	8.08.E-06	+
	127	hsa-miR-4675	8.36.E-06	-
	128	hsa-miR-1915-5p	8.49.E-06	-
35	129	hsa-miR-6716-5p	9.56.E-06	+
	130	hsa-miR-718	1.59.E-05	+
	131	hsa-miR-4281	1.59.E-05	-
40	132	hsa-miR-6820-5p	1.88.E-05	-
	133	hsa-miR-6795-5p	3.14.E-05	-
	134	hsa-miR-6779-5p	3.55.E-05	-
	135	hsa-miR-7109-5p	4.02.E-05	-
45	136	hsa-miR-6798-5p	4.28.E-05	+
	137	hsa-miR-4648	6.38.E-05	+
	138	hsa-miR-8059	7.15.E-05	-
50	139	hsa-miR-6765-3p	8.47.E-05	-
	140	hsa-miR-6132	1.28.E-04	+
	141	hsa-miR-4492	1.51.E-04	+
55	142	hsa-miR-7107-5p	1.64.E-04	-
	143	hsa-miR-3195	1.73.E-04	+
	144	hsa-miR-3180	2.82.E-04	+

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	SEQ ID NO:	Gene name	P value after Bonferroni correction	Expression level in stomach cancer patient relative to healthy subject
5	145	hsa-miR-296-3p	2.89.E-04	-
	146	hsa-miR-564	4.75.E-04	-
	147	hsa-miR-1268a	5.55.E-04	+
10	148	hsa-miR-6848-5p	6.07.E-04	+
	149	hsa-miR-762	8.99.E-04	+
	150	hsa-miR-2861	1.57.E-03	-
	151	hsa-miR-1203	1.91.E-03	+
15	152	hsa-miR-1260b	2.01.E-03	-
	153	hsa-miR-4476	2.45.E-03	-
	154	hsa-miR-6885-5p	2.83.E-03	-
20	155	hsa-miR-6769b-5p	2.84.E-03	-
	156	hsa-miR-23b-3p	2.87.E-03	-
	157	hsa-miR-1343-5p	3.95.E-03	+
	158	hsa-miR-3621	4.31.E-03	-
25	159	hsa-miR-4688	4.77.E-03	-
	160	hsa-miR-4286	4.90.E-03	-
	161	hsa-miR-4640-5p	6.06.E-03	+
30	162	hsa-miR-4739	6.13.E-03	+
	163	hsa-miR-1260a	7.24.E-03	-
	164	hsa-miR-4276	8.00.E-03	+
	165	hsa-miR-7106-5p	9.50.E-03	-
35	166	hsa-miR-128-2-5p	1.79.E-09	-
	167	hsa-miR-125a-3p	1.81.E-09	-
	168	hsa-miR-92a-2-5p	2.01.E-05	+
40	169	hsa-miR-486-3p	2.60.E-03	-

[Table 3]

		Training cohort			Validation cohort		
45	SEQ ID NO:	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)
	1	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	2	94.8	88.2	97.0	97.0	93.8	98.0
50	3	97.0	91.2	99.0	97.0	93.8	98.0
	4	93.3	82.4	97.0	90.9	81.2	94.0
	5	93.3	79.4	98.0	97.0	93.8	98.0
55	6	94.0	91.2	95.0	87.9	87.5	88.0
	7	92.5	82.4	96.0	97.0	87.5	100.0
	8	90.3	88.2	91.0	90.9	81.2	94.0

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		Training cohort			Validation cohort		
	SEQ ID NO:	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)
5	9	94.8	85.3	98.0	86.4	68.8	92.0
	10	91.0	76.5	96.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	11	90.3	82.4	93.0	89.4	75.0	94.0
10	12	90.3	73.5	96.0	87.9	81.2	90.0
	13	91.0	73.5	97.0	81.8	87.5	80.0
	14	91.8	79.4	96.0	92.4	75.0	98.0
15	15	90.3	76.5	95.0	95.5	81.2	100.0
	16	88.1	82.4	90.0	92.4	93.8	92.0
	17	88.1	73.5	93.0	83.3	68.8	88.0
	18	92.5	88.2	94.0	93.9	81.2	98.0
20	19	88.1	73.5	93.0	83.3	56.2	92.0
	20	91.8	85.3	94.0	90.9	68.8	98.0
	21	91.8	76.5	97.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
25	22	88.8	70.6	95.0	89.4	56.2	100.0
	23	88.1	67.6	95.0	87.9	62.5	96.0
	24	87.3	64.7	95.0	87.9	62.5	96.0
	25	88.1	61.8	97.0	83.3	62.5	90.0
30	26	90.3	76.5	95.0	89.4	75.0	94.0
	27	91.0	67.6	99.0	89.4	56.2	100.0
	28	90.3	79.4	94.0	90.9	87.5	92.0
35	29	85.8	79.4	88.0	90.9	93.8	90.0
	30	89.6	76.5	94.0	86.4	62.5	94.0
	31	85.1	73.5	89.0	87.9	87.5	88.0
	32	85.1	67.6	91.0	89.4	62.5	98.0
40	33	87.3	61.8	96.0	90.9	68.8	98.0
	34	90.3	70.6	97.0	89.4	81.2	92.0
	35	89.6	82.4	92.0	84.8	81.2	86.0
45	36	90.3	73.5	96.0	89.4	62.5	98.0
	37	90.3	70.6	97.0	92.4	81.2	96.0
	38	87.3	82.4	89.0	90.9	81.2	94.0
	39	90.3	76.5	95.0	90.9	62.5	100.0
50	40	87.3	76.5	91.0	89.4	87.5	90.0
	41	90.3	61.8	100.0	90.9	62.5	100.0
	42	90.3	61.8	100.0	93.9	75.0	100.0
55	43	90.3	67.6	98.0	89.4	56.2	100.0
	44	87.3	73.5	92.0	81.8	75.0	84.0
	45	90.3	82.4	93.0	83.3	62.5	90.0

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		Training cohort			Validation cohort		
	SEQ ID NO:	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)
5	46	90.3	70.6	97.0	87.9	56.2	98.0
	47	85.1	47.1	98.0	90.9	68.8	98.0
	48	86.6	64.7	94.0	89.4	62.5	98.0
10	49	83.6	73.5	87.0	86.4	56.2	96.0
	50	90.3	79.4	94.0	95.5	93.8	96.0
	51	84.3	61.8	92.0	77.3	62.5	82.0
15	52	87.3	64.7	95.0	84.8	62.5	92.0
	53	84.3	52.9	95.0	87.9	56.2	98.0
	54	85.8	67.6	92.0	90.9	81.2	94.0
	55	87.3	64.7	95.0	90.9	68.8	98.0
20	56	86.5	67.6	92.9	80.3	56.2	88.0
	57	83.6	52.9	94.0	84.8	43.8	98.0
	58	85.8	70.6	91.0	87.9	75.0	92.0
25	59	84.3	55.9	94.0	86.4	75.0	90.0
	60	82.8	73.5	86.0	83.3	68.8	88.0
	61	85.1	52.9	96.0	87.9	81.2	90.0
	62	82.8	61.8	90.0	84.8	75.0	88.0
30	63	85.1	58.8	94.0	86.4	68.8	92.0
	64	79.9	50.0	90.0	81.8	68.8	86.0
	65	88.1	61.8	97.0	84.8	43.8	98.0
35	66	83.6	41.2	98.0	89.4	62.5	98.0
	67	82.8	55.9	92.0	78.8	50.0	88.0
	68	78.4	44.1	90.0	81.8	50.0	92.0
	69	82.1	61.8	89.0	80.3	62.5	86.0
40	70	82.1	58.8	90.0	84.8	62.5	92.0
	71	79.9	47.1	91.0	83.3	50.0	94.0
	72	79.9	50.0	90.0	86.4	68.8	92.0
45	73	80.6	41.2	94.0	78.8	37.5	92.0
	74	85.8	61.8	94.0	83.3	50.0	94.0
	75	81.3	44.1	94.0	81.8	37.5	96.0
	76	81.3	61.8	88.0	83.3	68.8	88.0
50	77	86.6	67.6	93.0	90.9	68.8	98.0
	78	85.1	58.8	94.0	84.8	56.2	94.0
	79	85.1	44.1	99.0	78.8	12.5	100.0
55	80	79.9	50.0	90.0	89.4	75.0	94.0
	81	82.8	47.1	95.0	80.3	50.0	90.0
	82	82.1	55.9	91.0	78.5	50.0	87.8

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		Training cohort			Validation cohort		
	SEQ ID NO:	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)
5	83	84.3	50.0	96.0	81.8	37.5	96.0
	84	82.8	52.9	93.0	87.9	68.8	94.0
	85	82.8	47.1	95.0	78.8	25.0	96.0
10	86	85.8	52.9	97.0	92.4	81.2	96.0
	87	84.3	50.0	96.0	81.8	43.8	94.0
	88	80.6	38.2	95.0	86.4	56.2	96.0
15	89	81.3	41.2	95.0	87.9	62.5	96.0
	90	81.3	47.1	93.0	78.8	37.5	92.0
	91	82.1	47.1	94.0	81.8	43.8	94.0
	92	83.6	47.1	96.0	86.4	43.8	100.0
20	93	82.8	47.1	95.0	80.3	37.5	94.0
	94	79.1	29.4	96.0	83.3	43.8	96.0
	95	76.9	38.2	90.0	78.8	31.2	94.0
25	96	81.3	44.1	94.0	83.3	43.8	96.0
	97	79.9	38.2	94.0	83.3	50.0	94.0
	98	80.6	44.1	93.0	78.8	25.0	96.0
	99	82.1	50.0	93.0	80.3	43.8	92.0
30	100	81.3	38.2	96.0	84.8	37.5	100.0
	101	85.1	50.0	97.0	83.3	37.5	98.0
	102	80.6	29.4	98.0	77.3	31.2	92.0
35	103	76.1	32.4	91.0	75.8	25.0	92.0
	104	84.3	50.0	96.0	80.3	25.0	98.0
	105	79.1	38.2	93.0	84.8	56.2	94.0
	106	82.8	44.1	96.0	81.8	31.2	98.0
40	107	82.1	44.1	95.0	83.3	43.8	96.0
	108	81.3	47.1	93.0	80.3	56.2	88.0
	109	79.9	38.2	94.0	81.8	50.0	92.0
45	110	74.6	32.4	89.0	72.7	37.5	84.0
	111	81.3	44.1	94.0	75.8	31.2	90.0
	112	82.8	47.1	95.0	80.3	31.2	96.0
	113	81.3	35.3	97.0	81.8	37.5	96.0
50	114	86.6	52.9	98.0	86.4	50.0	98.0
	115	79.1	38.2	93.0	75.8	12.5	96.0
	116	81.3	41.2	95.0	78.8	31.2	94.0
55	117	76.9	38.2	90.0	80.3	56.2	88.0
	118	81.3	38.2	96.0	75.8	18.8	94.0
	119	78.4	35.3	93.0	81.8	43.8	94.0

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		Training cohort			Validation cohort		
	SEQ ID NO:	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)
5	120	78.4	38.2	92.0	78.8	18.8	98.0
	121	79.1	35.3	94.0	75.8	37.5	88.0
	122	78.4	38.2	92.0	81.8	31.2	98.0
10	123	78.4	32.4	94.0	80.3	37.5	94.0
	124	87.3	52.9	99.0	86.4	50.0	98.0
	125	76.9	32.4	92.0	75.8	50.0	84.0
15	126	78.4	29.4	95.0	71.2	12.5	90.0
	127	80.6	41.2	94.0	83.3	31.2	100.0
	128	79.9	32.4	96.0	78.8	31.2	94.0
	129	77.6	26.5	95.0	77.3	31.2	92.0
20	130	76.1	26.5	93.0	75.8	31.2	90.0
	131	78.4	35.3	93.0	84.8	50.0	96.0
	132	80.6	29.4	98.0	77.3	37.5	90.0
25	133	79.9	23.5	99.0	80.3	18.8	100.0
	134	75.4	32.4	90.0	83.3	37.5	98.0
	135	73.9	23.5	91.0	80.3	50.0	90.0
	136	78.4	44.1	90.0	74.2	43.8	84.0
30	137	73.9	20.6	92.0	80.3	18.8	100.0
	138	79.1	29.4	96.0	81.8	43.8	94.0
	139	82.1	41.2	96.0	80.3	31.2	96.0
35	140	79.9	29.4	97.0	78.8	18.8	98.0
	141	79.1	32.4	95.0	81.8	50.0	92.0
	142	75.4	29.4	91.0	75.8	25.0	92.0
	143	78.4	38.2	92.0	77.3	31.2	92.0
40	144	79.9	32.4	96.0	81.8	31.2	98.0
	145	81.2	27.3	99.0	77.3	18.8	96.0
	146	81.3	35.3	97.0	84.8	43.8	98.0
45	147	73.1	14.7	93.0	71.2	6.2	92.0
	148	77.6	23.5	96.0	78.8	25.0	96.0
	149	77.6	23.5	96.0	72.3	12.5	91.8
	150	77.6	23.5	96.0	80.3	31.2	96.0
50	151	74.6	14.7	95.0	78.8	12.5	100.0
	152	79.9	32.4	96.0	75.8	18.8	94.0
	153	76.1	20.6	95.0	78.8	37.5	92.0
55	154	81.3	32.4	98.0	75.8	6.2	98.0
	155	76.9	20.6	96.0	81.8	31.2	98.0
	156	79.1	23.5	98.0	72.7	6.2	94.0

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SEQ ID NO:	Training cohort			Validation cohort		
	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)
157	82.1	35.3	98.0	80.3	18.8	100.0
158	74.6	11.8	96.0	74.2	6.2	96.0
159	77.6	20.6	97.0	78.8	18.8	98.0
160	75.4	20.6	94.0	71.2	6.2	92.0
161	78.4	26.5	96.0	78.8	12.5	100.0
162	79.1	20.6	99.0	78.8	18.8	98.0
163	76.1	20.6	95.0	72.7	6.2	94.0
164	76.9	14.7	98.0	78.8	12.5	100.0
165	74.6	8.8	97.0	75.8	6.2	98.0
166	85.1	52.9	96.0	87.9	50.0	100.0
167	85.8	50.0	98.0	89.4	68.8	96.0
168	80.6	41.2	94.0	77.3	31.2	92.0
169	80.6	32.4	97.0	81.8	25.0	100.0

[Table 4]

SEQ ID NO:	Discriminant coefficient	Constant term
1	2.731	17.177
2	3.324	31.765
3	1.836	12.851
4	4.010	25.699
5	3.767	31.391
6	3.829	35.096
7	3.144	17.990
8	2.726	21.913
9	5.443	57.639
10	2.686	18.095
11	4.398	51.318
12	5.286	43.176
13	1.921	24.270
14	5.407	58.548
15	2.820	19.731
16	2.197	14.682
17	4.707	43.642
18	2.022	13.892
19	1.268	8.665
20	3.417	21.034

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	SEQ ID NO:	Discriminant coefficient	Constant term
5	21	2.266	15.207
	22	3.039	27.590
	23	7.728	99.955
	24	3.052	26.321
10	25	5.366	66.791
	26	2.810	30.883
	27	2.291	13.933
15	28	3.580	23.815
	29	2.466	16.690
	30	3.715	25.964
	31	3.866	49.046
20	32	4.847	44.998
	33	4.518	44.908
	34	4.174	28.253
25	35	2.781	21.080
	36	2.163	12.587
	37	2.399	14.923
	38	2.387	19.533
30	39	2.662	18.538
	40	1.844	14.656
	41	4.162	54.280
35	42	1.861	10.860
	43	1.882	10.852
	44	3.955	32.182
	45	3.509	21.353
40	46	2.764	21.183
	47	2.237	12.508
	48	3.474	29.057
45	49	2.348	23.412
	50	1.601	8.585
	51	4.385	29.783
	52	3.501	25.951
50	53	2.121	20.821
	54	2.398	17.081
	55	2.333	21.669
55	56	3.979	23.944
	57	2.618	18.423
	58	3.487	32.829

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SEQ ID NO:	Discriminant coefficient	Constant term
59	4.222	26.720
60	2.479	18.929
61	3.944	38.152
62	2.371	17.392
63	2.987	20.097
64	9.232	116.333
65	4.246	34.038
66	1.900	12.014
67	4.891	49.041
68	5.062	35.194
69	3.378	28.973
70	4.587	46.523
71	4.446	33.529
72	3.367	33.945
73	2.155	21.186
74	2.768	26.384
75	5.220	62.722
76	3.883	28.652
77	5.643	71.747
78	3.610	27.579
79	2.457	15.182
80	2.520	19.029
81	3.853	22.961
82	3.525	21.894
83	2.531	25.858
84	3.041	19.506
85	3.868	46.680
86	2.117	17.685
87	3.724	26.711
88	3.680	23.968
89	3.374	20.135
90	2.196	25.309
91	2.976	20.156
92	2.933	25.402
93	5.009	53.145
94	2.567	14.765
95	1.729	11.402
96	2.393	21.401

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	SEQ ID NO:	Discriminant coefficient	Constant term
5	97	3.112	20.031
	98	3.065	19.720
	99	3.850	38.303
	100	3.191	23.796
10	101	1.739	18.155
	102	1.790	11.695
	103	4.223	31.086
15	104	3.902	43.384
	105	4.394	38.067
	106	3.808	31.650
	107	2.442	15.680
20	108	4.742	35.456
	109	4.065	32.357
	110	3.132	31.233
25	111	6.253	59.917
	112	2.144	16.593
	113	5.077	41.640
	114	4.331	36.232
30	115	4.104	26.007
	116	4.365	44.632
	117	4.092	30.958
35	118	3.410	40.413
	119	2.277	22.244
	120	3.385	27.099
	121	3.662	26.864
40	122	3.020	32.940
	123	5.127	61.295
	124	2.499	14.725
45	125	2.372	17.057
	126	5.371	54.883
	127	2.882	21.683
	128	1.355	8.339
50	129	3.793	24.904
	130	3.673	25.051
	131	3.824	44.211
55	132	2.858	20.620
	133	2.687	15.927
	134	6.294	44.652

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SEQ ID NO:	Discriminant coefficient	Constant term
135	5.392	39.920
136	2.883	30.122
137	1.419	8.435
138	3.372	25.593
139	1.616	14.087
140	3.505	27.638
141	5.430	57.153
142	4.737	36.945
143	4.079	33.703
144	4.615	40.322
145	1.899	11.130
146	1.461	8.484
147	3.248	36.484
148	4.537	33.621
149	6.451	87.375
150	5.814	72.020
151	2.391	14.618
152	2.345	19.966
153	1.746	12.413
154	2.794	30.977
155	3.878	24.272
156	1.014	5.894
157	3.451	35.923
158	4.810	57.343
159	3.755	26.714
160	2.474	18.364
161	4.014	31.043
162	3.561	40.868
163	2.408	16.644
164	1.795	10.022
165	2.135	12.545
166	2.652	28.430
167	1.220	7.446
168	2.017	19.036
169	2.835	22.505

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[Table 5-1]

Training cohort			
Sample name	Cancer stage	CEA	CA19-9
SC03	IA	2.9(-)	77.4(+)
SC04	IA	2.9(-)	0.1(-)
SC05	IA	2.9(-)	21.8(-)
SC06	IA	1.7(-)	41.9(+)
SC07	IB	1.5(-)	25.1(-)
SC09	IA	2.3(-)	17.5(-)
SC10	IIB	1.2(-)	10.0(-)
SC12	IA	3.3(-)	8.5(-)
SC13	IA	3.4(-)	8.2(-)
SC15	IA	3.7(-)	6.3(-)
SC17	IIB	2.8(-)	4.3(-)
SC18	IB	6.9(+)	20.2(-)
SC19	IA	3.1(-)	5.0(-)
SC20	IIIC	3.3(-)	20.1(-)
SC23	IB	2.5(-)	0.1(-)
SC24	IA	3.1(-)	43.2(+)
SC25	IIIA	2.6(-)	16.4(-)
SC26	IA	0.9(-)	7.3(-)
SC27	IA	2.0(-)	9.2(-)
SC29	IIA	1.3(-)	35.6(-)
SC30	IA	2.8(-)	0.1(-)
SC31	IA	2.4(-)	14.0(-)
SC32	IA	4.0(-)	10.5(-)
SC34	IA	2.4(-)	17.0(-)
SC36	IIIC	1.5(-)	14.1(-)
SC38	IA	4.8(-)	47.6(+)
SC40	IIA	1.7(-)	29.4(-)
SC41	IA	0.3(-)	10.9(-)
SC42	IIIA	2.2(-)	12.2(-)
SC45	IIIC	0.8(-)	6.5(-)
SC47	IB	1.3(-)	26.3(-)
SC48	IIIA	1.9(-)	6.3(-)
SC49	IA	2.9(-)	41.1(+)
SC50	IB	1.4(-)	11.4(-)

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[Table 5-2]

Validation cohort			
Sample name	Cancer stage	CEA	CA19/9
SC01	IA	3.7(-)	0.1(-)
SC02	IA	4.9(-)	65.2(+)
SC08	IA	1.1(-)	9.9(-)
SC11	IA	1.8(-)	9.4(-)
SC14	IB	2.0(-)	26.1(-)
SC16	IA	3.1(-)	9.5(-)
SC21	IIA	0.7(-)	9.1(-)
SC22	IA	1.4(-)	6.0(-)
SC28	IA	3.3(-)	6.6(-)
SC33	IIIA	5.6(+)	14.7(-)
SC35	IA	3.7(-)	7.8(-)
SC37	IIB	4.2(-)	0.1(-)
SC39	IIIC	17.5(+)	7.0(-)
SC43	IIA	4.6(-)	10.1(-)
SC44	IA	1.8(-)	5.8(-)
SC46	IB	2.7(-)	37.1(+)

For CEA, 5 ng/mL or lower was indicated as "-", and for A19-9, 37 U/mL or lower was indicated as "-", while values exceeding these were indicated as "+".

[Table 6]

SEQ ID NO:	Training cohort			Validation cohort		
	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)
1_2	100.0	100.0	100.0	98.5	93.8	100.0
1_3	97.8	94.1	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
1_4	98.5	94.1	100.0	98.5	93.8	100.0
1_5	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
1_6	97.0	91.2	99.0	93.9	87.5	96.0
1_7	96.3	91.2	98.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
1_8	95.5	88.2	98.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
1_9	97.0	91.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
1_10	97.0	91.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
1_11	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
1_12	96.3	88.2	99.0	93.9	87.5	96.0
1_13	100.0	100.0	100.0	93.9	93.8	94.0
1_14	97.8	94.1	99.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
1_15	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
1_16	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0

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		Training cohort			Validation cohort		
	SEQ ID NO:	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)
5	1_17	96.3	91.2	98.0	95.5	81.2	100.0
	1_18	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_19	100.0	100.0	100.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
10	1_20	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_21	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_22	97.8	91.2	100.0	95.5	81.2	100.0
15	1_23	99.3	97.1	100.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_24	96.3	88.2	99.0	97.0	87.5	100.0
	1_25	99.3	97.1	100.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_26	96.3	88.2	99.0	93.9	87.5	96.0
20	1_27	96.3	88.2	99.0	97.0	87.5	100.0
	1_28	96.3	88.2	99.0	97.0	93.8	98.0
	1_29	95.5	88.2	98.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
25	1_30	95.5	88.2	98.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_31	96.3	88.2	99.0	93.9	87.5	96.0
	1_32	96.3	88.2	99.0	97.0	87.5	100.0
	1_33	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
30	1_34	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_35	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_36	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
35	1_37	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_38	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_39	96.3	88.2	99.0	97.0	87.5	100.0
	1_40	95.5	88.2	98.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
40	1_41	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_42	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_43	95.5	85.3	99.0	97.0	87.5	100.0
45	1_44	95.5	88.2	98.0	93.9	87.5	96.0
	1_45	97.8	94.1	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_46	97.0	91.2	99.0	97.0	87.5	100.0
	1_47	97.0	94.1	98.0	97.0	93.8	98.0
50	1_48	96.3	88.2	99.0	97.0	87.5	100.0
	1_49	97.8	91.2	100.0	93.9	87.5	96.0
	1_50	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
55	1_51	98.5	97.1	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_52	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_53	95.5	85.3	99.0	97.0	87.5	100.0

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		Training cohort			Validation cohort		
	SEQ ID NO:	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)
5	1_54	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_55	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_56	97.7	94.1	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
10	1_57	97.8	91.2	100.0	97.0	93.8	98.0
	1_58	95.5	88.2	98.0	93.9	87.5	96.0
	1_59	97.0	94.1	98.0	93.9	87.5	96.0
15	1_60	94.8	85.3	98.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_61	95.5	85.3	99.0	97.0	93.8	98.0
	1_62	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_63	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
20	1_64	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_65	96.3	88.2	99.0	97.0	87.5	100.0
	1_66	97.0	91.2	99.0	97.0	87.5	100.0
25	1_67	95.5	88.2	98.0	97.0	87.5	100.0
	1_68	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_69	95.5	88.2	98.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_70	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
30	1_71	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_72	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_73	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
35	1_74	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_75	98.5	94.1	100.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_76	95.5	85.3	99.0	93.9	87.5	96.0
	1_77	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
40	1_78	96.3	88.2	99.0	98.5	93.8	100.0
	1_79	97.0	91.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_80	95.5	88.2	98.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
45	1_81	97.0	91.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_82	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.4	87.5	98.0
	1_83	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_84	94.8	82.4	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
50	1_85	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_86	99.3	97.1	100.0	95.5	93.8	96.0
	1_87	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
55	1_88	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_89	96.3	88.2	99.0	97.0	87.5	100.0
	1_90	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0

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		Training cohort			Validation cohort		
	SEQ ID NO:	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)
5	1_91	96.3	91.2	98.0	97.0	87.5	100.0
	1_92	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_93	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
10	1_94	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_95	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_96	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
15	1_97	97.0	91.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_98	95.5	91.2	97.0	97.0	87.5	100.0
	1_99	95.5	85.3	99.0	97.0	87.5	100.0
	1_100	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
20	1_101	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_102	99.3	97.1	100.0	97.0	93.8	98.0
	1_103	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
25	1_104	95.5	85.3	99.0	93.9	87.5	96.0
	1_105	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_106	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_107	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
30	1_108	97.0	91.2	99.0	93.9	87.5	96.0
	1_109	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_110	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
35	1_111	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_112	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_113	97.0	91.2	99.0	98.5	93.8	100.0
	1_114	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
40	1_115	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_116	96.3	91.2	98.0	98.5	93.8	100.0
	1_117	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
45	1_118	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_119	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_120	97.0	91.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_121	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
50	1_122	96.3	88.2	99.0	97.0	87.5	100.0
	1_123	97.8	91.2	100.0	97.0	93.8	98.0
	1_124	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
55	1_125	98.5	94.1	100.0	97.0	93.8	98.0
	1_126	97.0	91.2	99.0	97.0	93.8	98.0
	1_127	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0

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		Training cohort			Validation cohort		
	SEQ ID NO:	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)
5	1_128	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_129	97.0	91.2	99.0	97.0	87.5	100.0
	1_130	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
10	1_131	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_132	97.0	91.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_133	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
15	1_134	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_135	96.3	88.2	99.0	97.0	93.8	98.0
	1_136	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_137	95.5	85.3	99.0	97.0	93.8	98.0
20	1_138	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_139	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_140	97.0	91.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
25	1_141	95.5	85.3	99.0	98.5	93.8	100.0
	1_142	97.8	91.2	100.0	93.9	87.5	96.0
	1_143	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_144	96.3	88.2	99.0	97.0	87.5	100.0
30	1_145	96.2	87.9	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_146	99.3	97.1	100.0	97.0	93.8	98.0
	1_147	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
35	1_148	96.3	88.2	99.0	98.5	93.8	100.0
	1_149	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.4	87.5	98.0
	1_150	97.0	91.2	99.0	97.0	87.5	100.0
40	1_151	95.5	88.2	98.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_152	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_153	99.3	97.1	100.0	97.0	93.8	98.0
	1_154	96.3	88.2	99.0	97.0	87.5	100.0
45	1_155	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_156	96.3	88.2	99.0	97.0	87.5	100.0
	1_157	96.3	88.2	99.0	97.0	93.8	98.0
	1_158	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
50	1_159	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_160	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_161	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
55	1_162	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_163	95.5	85.3	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
	1_164	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0

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SEQ ID NO:	Training cohort			Validation cohort		
	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)
1_165	97.8	94.1	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
1_166	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
1_167	98.5	97.1	99.0	97.0	93.8	98.0
1_168	97.0	91.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0
1_169	96.3	88.2	99.0	95.5	87.5	98.0

[Example 3]

<Selection of gene markers using all samples and method for evaluating stomach cancer discriminant performance of acquired gene markers>

[0604] In this Example, the samples of the training cohort and the validation cohort used in Examples 1 and 2 described above were integrated, and selection of a gene marker and evaluation of its stomach cancer discriminant performance were conducted using all of the samples.

[0605] Specifically, the expression levels in the sera of the 50 stomach cancer patients and the 150 healthy subject miRNA s obtained in the preceding Reference Examples were normalized by quantile normalization. In order to acquire diagnosis markers with higher reliability, only genes having a gene expression level of 2⁶ or higher in 50% or more of the samples in either of the stomach cancer patient group or the healthy subject group were selected in the gene marker selection. In order to further acquire statistical significance for discriminating a stomach cancer patient group from a healthy subject group, the P value obtained by two-tailed t-test assuming equal variance as to each gene expression level was corrected by the Bonferroni method, and genes that satisfied $p < 0.01$ were selected as gene markers for use in explanatory variables of a discriminant and described in Table 7. In this way, hsa-miR-3196, hsa-miR-211-3p, hsa-miR-4271, hsa-miR-6851-5p, hsa-miR-149-3p, hsa-miR-4667-5p, hsa-miR-135a-3p, hsa-miR-4486, hsa-miR-4697-5p, hsa-miR-4725-3p, hsa-miR-6510-5p, hsa-miR-5001-5p, hsa-miR-4673, hsa-miR-4466, hsa-miR-23a-3p, hsa-miR-3656, hsa-miR-6782-5p, hsa-miR-4689, hsa-miR-451a, hsa-miR-4446-3p, hsa-miR-3180-3p, hsa-miR-642a-3p, hsa-miR-6889-5p, hsa-miR-3178, hsa-miR-4665-5p, hsa-miR-6722-3p, hsa-miR-30c-1-3p, hsa-miR-4507, hsa-miR-3141 and hsa-miR-1199-5p genes, and the nucleotide sequences of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199 related thereto were found in addition to the genes described in Table 2. As with the nucleotide sequences shown in SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 169, the results obtained about the polynucleotides shown in SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199 also showed that the measurement values were significantly lower (-) or higher (+) in the stomach cancer patient group than in the healthy subject group (Table 7). These results were able to be validated in the validation cohort. Thus, the presence or absence of stomach cancer in the newly obtained samples can be determined by the methods described in Examples 1 and 2 by using, alone or in combination, the gene expression level measurement values described in Table 7.

[Table 7]

SEQ ID NO:	Gene name	P value after Bonferroni correction	Expression level in stomach cancer patient relative to healthy subject
1	hsa-miR-4257	1.17.E-53	-
2	hsa-miR-6726-5p	1.13.E-52	-
3	hsa-miR-1343-3p	1.41.E-44	-
4	hsa-miR-1247-3p	5.94.E-35	+
5	hsa-miR-6787-5p	2.22.E-39	-
6	hsa-miR-6875-5p	1.92.E-30	+
7	hsa-miR-1225-3p	6.99.E-36	+
8	hsa-miR-8063	7.15.E-31	-
9	hsa-miR-6781-5p	4.27.E-31	+

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	SEQ ID NO:	Gene name	P value after Bonferroni correction	Expression level in stomach cancer patient relative to healthy subject
5	10	hsa-miR-4746-3p	1.93.E-35	+
	11	hsa-miR-1908-5p	1.34.E-32	+
	12	hsa-miR-6756-5p	2.25.E-28	-
10	13	hsa-miR-204-3p	5.11.E-30	-
	14	hsa-miR-4651	2.11.E-33	-
	15	hsa-miR-6757-5p	2.11.E-34	-
	16	hsa-miR-6825-5p	1.20.E-31	+
15	17	hsa-miR-7108-5p	3.88.E-25	+
	18	hsa-miR-4792	5.31.E-29	+
	19	hsa-miR-7641	1.72.E-27	-
20	20	hsa-miR-3188	3.58.E-30	+
	21	hsa-miR-3131	3.98.E-33	-
	22	hsa-miR-6780b-5p	4.88.E-28	+
	23	hsa-miR-8069	7.94.E-21	+
25	24	hsa-miR-6840-3p	4.43.E-23	-
	25	hsa-miR-8072	1.55.E-23	+
	26	hsa-miR-1233-5p	3.51.E-26	-
30	27	hsa-miR-6887-5p	1.34.E-24	-
	28	hsa-miR-1231	9.31.E-26	+
	29	hsa-miR-5572	3.97.E-25	+
	30	hsa-miR-6738-5p	2.02.E-21	-
35	31	hsa-miR-6784-5p	1.03.E-23	+
	32	hsa-miR-6791-5p	2.63.E-22	+
	33	hsa-miR-6749-5p	6.36.E-23	-
40	34	hsa-miR-6741-5p	6.07.E-23	-
	35	hsa-miR-128-1-5p	3.13.E-20	+
	36	hsa-miR-4419b	9.02.E-24	-
45	37	hsa-miR-6746-5p	1.60.E-25	-
	38	hsa-miR-3184-5p	1.38.E-23	+
	39	hsa-miR-3679-5p	6.33.E-26	+
	40	hsa-miR-7110-5p	3.06.E-24	+
50	41	hsa-miR-4516	1.26.E-23	-
	42	hsa-miR-6717-5p	6.77.E-26	-
	43	hsa-miR-6826-5p	8.66.E-25	-
55	44	hsa-miR-4433b-3p	5.71.E-19	+
	45	hsa-miR-3679-3p	2.22.E-19	+
	46	hsa-miR-3135b	7.59.E-15	-

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	SEQ ID NO:	Gene name	P value after Bonferroni correction	Expression level in stomach cancer patient relative to healthy subject
5	47	hsa-miR-3622a-5p	4.66.E-24	-
	48	hsa-miR-711	9.88.E-22	+
	49	hsa-miR-4467	3.85.E-21	+
10	50	hsa-miR-6857-5p	1.03.E-19	+
	51	hsa-miR-6515-3p	5.53.E-16	+
	52	hsa-miR-1225-5p	2.33.E-19	+
	53	hsa-miR-187-5p	1.31.E-20	-
15	54	hsa-miR-3185	1.30.E-19	+
	55	hsa-miR-642b-3p	2.56.E-18	-
	56	hsa-miR-1249	5.41.E-19	+
20	57	hsa-miR-744-5p	9.41.E-20	+
	58	hsa-miR-4442	1.75.E-17	-
	59	hsa-miR-1228-3p	1.10.E-19	+
	60	hsa-miR-939-5p	1.54.E-16	+
25	61	hsa-miR-6845-5p	5.15.E-20	+
	62	hsa-miR-887-3p	2.86.E-15	+
	63	hsa-miR-7845-5p	3.21.E-16	+
30	64	hsa-miR-6729-5p	6.04.E-16	+
	65	hsa-miR-4632-5p	7.17.E-16	+
	66	hsa-miR-615-5p	3.13.E-17	-
	67	hsa-miR-6724-5p	6.37.E-15	+
35	68	hsa-miR-4728-5p	1.26.E-16	-
	69	hsa-miR-6732-5p	5.05.E-14	+
	70	hsa-miR-6816-5p	8.52.E-17	+
40	71	hsa-miR-4695-5p	2.40.E-14	+
	72	hsa-miR-6088	7.13.E-16	-
	73	hsa-miR-7975	1.51.E-14	-
	74	hsa-miR-3197	5.56.E-16	+
45	75	hsa-miR-6125	2.29.E-15	+
	76	hsa-miR-4433-3p	1.66.E-13	+
	77	hsa-miR-6727-5p	1.77.E-15	-
50	78	hsa-miR-4706	2.89.E-15	-
	79	hsa-miR-7847-3p	1.35.E-14	-
	80	hsa-miR-6805-3p	5.87.E-17	+
55	81	hsa-miR-6766-3p	1.02.E-14	+
	82	hsa-miR-1913	6.53.E-14	+
	83	hsa-miR-4649-5p	1.20.E-13	-

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	SEQ ID NO:	Gene name	P value after Bonferroni correction	Expression level in stomach cancer patient relative to healthy subject
5	84	hsa-miR-602	3.43.E-17	+
	85	hsa-miR-3663-3p	2.10.E-13	-
	86	hsa-miR-6893-5p	3.43.E-17	-
10	87	hsa-miR-6861-5p	4.41.E-14	-
	88	hsa-miR-4449	2.00.E-16	+
	89	hsa-miR-6842-5p	1.49.E-15	+
	90	hsa-miR-4454	1.57.E-13	-
15	91	hsa-miR-5195-3p	6.87.E-14	-
	92	hsa-miR-663b	1.51.E-12	-
	93	hsa-miR-6765-5p	5.17.E-11	+
20	94	hsa-miR-4513	3.77.E-14	-
	95	hsa-miR-614	1.11.E-11	-
	96	hsa-miR-6785-5p	6.54.E-12	-
	97	hsa-miR-6777-5p	2.92.E-14	-
25	98	hsa-miR-940	1.38.E-13	+
	99	hsa-miR-4741	2.04.E-12	+
	100	hsa-miR-6870-5p	4.12.E-14	+
30	101	hsa-miR-6131	1.02.E-12	-
	102	hsa-miR-150-3p	1.47.E-10	-
	103	hsa-miR-4707-5p	8.76.E-12	+
	104	hsa-miR-1915-3p	4.55.E-13	+
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	113	hsa-miR-4417	7.19.E-10	+
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	SEQ ID NO:	Gene name	P value after Bonferroni correction	Expression level in stomach cancer patient relative to healthy subject
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	125	hsa-miR-423-5p	1.58.E-08	-
	126	hsa-miR-1469	8.71.E-07	+
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	129	hsa-miR-6716-5p	7.56.E-09	+
	130	hsa-miR-718	1.99.E-09	+
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	132	hsa-miR-6820-5p	1.42.E-08	-
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	134	hsa-miR-6779-5p	2.99.E-08	-
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	144	hsa-miR-3180	1.11.E-07	+
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	147	hsa-miR-1268a	1.25.E-04	+
	148	hsa-miR-6848-5p	2.82.E-06	+
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	151	hsa-miR-1203	7.90.E-07	+
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	154	hsa-miR-6885-5p	5.73.E-05	-
55	155	hsa-miR-6769b-5p	1.91.E-07	-
	156	hsa-miR-23b-3p	1.38.E-05	-
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	162	hsa-miR-4739	2.45.E-05	+
	163	hsa-miR-1260a	7.35.E-04	-
	164	hsa-miR-4276	3.45.E-07	+
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	167	hsa-miR-125a-3p	2.30.E-15	-
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	194	hsa-miR-4665-5p	2.84.E-03	-

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SEQ ID NO:	Gene name	P value after Bonferroni correction	Expression level in stomach cancer patient relative to healthy subject
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196	hsa-miR-30c-1-3p	4.13.E-03	+
197	hsa-miR-4507	6.12.E-03	+
198	hsa-miR-3141	6.13.E-03	+
199	hsa-miR-1199-5p	7.28.E-03	-

[Example 4]

<Method for evaluating stomach cancer-specific discriminant performance by combination of multiple gene markers using samples of validation cohort>

[0606] In this Example, gene markers for diagnosis were selected by comparing gene expression levels of miRNAs in sera of stomach cancer patients with that of a control group consisting of healthy subjects, pancreatic cancer patients, bile duct cancer patients, colorectal cancer patients, liver cancer patients, and benign pancreaticobiliary disease patients in the same way as the method described in Example 1 using the gene markers selected in Example 1 with respect to the training cohort as the sample group described in Reference Example 2. The polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs: 635 to 642 thus selected were further combined therewith to study a method for evaluating stomach cancer-specific discriminant performance.

[0607] Specifically, first, the miRNA expression levels in the training cohort and the validation cohort obtained in Reference Example 2 mentioned above were combined and normalized by quantile normalization. Next, Fisher's discriminant analysis was conducted as to combinations of 1 to 6 expression level measurement values comprising at least one or more of the expression level measurement values of the polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642, to construct a discriminant for determining the presence or absence of stomach cancer. Next, accuracy, sensitivity, and specificity in the validation cohort were calculated using the discriminant thus prepared, with the stomach cancer patient group as a positive sample group and, on the other hand, the healthy subject group, the pancreatic cancer patient group, the bile duct cancer patient group, the colorectal cancer patient group, the liver cancer patient group, and the benign pancreaticobiliary disease patient group as a negative sample groups. The discriminant performance of the selected polynucleotides was validated using the independent samples.

[0608] Most of polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequences represented by any of these SEQ ID NOs (SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642 corresponding to the miRNA markers of Table 1) or complementary sequences thereof mentioned above were able to provide relatively high accuracy, sensitivity, and specificity in the determination of the presence or absence of stomach cancer, and furthermore, were able to specifically discriminate stomach cancer from the other cancers. For example, among the combinations of multiple polynucleotides selected from the group consisting of polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs: 9, 13, 21, 27, 34, 36, 66, 75, 95, 98, 108, 130, 135, 143, 155, 183, 185, 187, 191, 193, 194, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641 and 642 or complementary sequences thereof (the cancer type-specific polynucleotide group 1) as polynucleotides capable of specifically binding to target markers, combinations comprising at least one or more polynucleotides selected from the group consisting of polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs: 21, 34, 36, 98, and 155 or complementary sequences thereof (the cancer type-specific polynucleotide group 2) included in the cancer type-specific polynucleotide group 1 were able to specifically discriminate stomach cancer from the other cancers with high accuracy.

[0609] The number of the aforementioned polynucleotides with cancer type specificity in the combination can be 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 or more for the combination. The combinations of 6 or more of these polynucleotides were able to exhibit discriminant accuracy of 80% or higher.

[0610] Specifically, the discriminant accuracy of the measurement using the polynucleotide consisting of the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 21 or a complementary sequence thereof is shown in Table 8-1. The measurement using the polynucleotide consisting of the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 21 or a complementary sequence thereof exhibited the highest accuracy of 79.8% in the training cohort and accuracy of 83.8% in the validation cohort. Also, for example, the measurement using the combinations of two polynucleotides comprising at least one polynucleotide consisting of the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 21 or a complementary sequence thereof exhibited the highest accuracy of 82.4% in the training cohort and accuracy of 80.9% in the validation cohort.

polynucleotide consisting of the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 98 or a complementary sequence thereof exhibited the highest accuracy of 84.1 % in the training cohort and accuracy of 85.5% in the validation cohort. Furthermore, for example, the measurement using the combinations of four polynucleotides comprising at least one polynucleotide consisting of the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 98 or a complementary sequence thereof exhibited the highest accuracy of 86.7% in the training cohort and accuracy of 89.6% in the validation cohort. Furthermore, for example, the measurement using the combinations of five polynucleotides comprising at least one polynucleotide consisting of the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 98 or a complementary sequence thereof exhibited the highest accuracy of 88.2% in the training cohort and accuracy of 87.9% in the validation cohort. Furthermore, for example, the measurement using the combinations of six polynucleotides comprising at least one polynucleotide consisting of the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 98 or a complementary sequence thereof exhibited the highest accuracy of 87.9% in the training cohort and accuracy of 88.4% in the validation cohort.

[0614] Specifically, the discriminant accuracy of the measurement using the polynucleotide consisting of the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 155 or a complementary sequence thereof is shown in Table 8-5. The measurement using the polynucleotide consisting of the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 155 or a complementary sequence thereof exhibited the highest accuracy of 67.1% in the training cohort and accuracy of 69.9% in the validation cohort. Also, for example, the measurement using the combinations of two polynucleotides comprising at least one polynucleotide consisting of the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 155 or a complementary sequence thereof exhibited the highest accuracy of 81.6% in the training cohort and accuracy of 75.7% in the validation cohort. Furthermore, for example, the measurement using the combinations of three polynucleotides comprising at least one polynucleotide consisting of the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 155 or a complementary sequence thereof exhibited the highest accuracy of 84.4% in the training cohort and accuracy of 85.0% in the validation cohort. Furthermore, for example, the measurement using the combinations of four polynucleotides comprising at least one polynucleotide consisting of the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 155 or a complementary sequence thereof exhibited the highest accuracy of 87.0% in the training cohort and accuracy of 89.0% in the validation cohort. Furthermore, for example, the measurement using the combinations of five polynucleotides comprising at least one polynucleotide consisting of the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 155 or a complementary sequence thereof exhibited the highest accuracy of 88.2% in the training cohort and accuracy of 87.3% in the validation cohort. Furthermore, for example, the measurement using the combinations of six polynucleotides comprising at least one polynucleotide consisting of the nucleotide sequence represented by SEQ ID NO: 155 or a complementary sequence thereof exhibited the highest accuracy of 88.2% in the training cohort and accuracy of 89.6% in the validation cohort.

[0615] The expression level measurement values of the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs: 9, 13, 143, 155, 194, and 639 were compared among 34 stomach cancer patients, 102 healthy subjects, 63 pancreatic cancer patients, 65 bile duct cancer patients, 35 colorectal cancer patients, 32 liver cancer patients, and 17 benign pancreaticobiliary disease patients in the training cohort. As a result, a scatter diagram that significantly separated the discriminant score of the stomach cancer patient group from the discriminant scores of the other groups was obtained in the training cohort (see the upper diagram of Figure 4). These results were also reproducible for the validation cohort (see the lower diagram of Figure 4).

[Table 8-1]

SEQ ID NO:	Training cohort			Validation cohort		
	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)
21	79.8	82.4	79.6	83.8	81.2	84.1
9_21	82.4	97.1	80.8	80.9	81.2	80.9
9_21_34	84.1	91.2	83.4	83.8	75	84.7
9_21_34_36	85.9	91.2	85.3	82.7	68.8	84.1
9_21_34_36_98	87.9	97.1	86.9	88.4	81.2	89.2
9_21_36_98_130_637	83.6	100	81.8	85	87.5	84.7
9_21_34_36_98_637	87	94.1	86.3	87.3	87.5	87.3
9_21_34_36_98_155	86.7	97.1	85.6	89	81.2	89.8
21_36_75_98_155_635	83	97.1	81.5	87.9	87.5	87.9
9_21_36_98_108_155	86.7	100	85.3	86.7	81.2	87.3

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[Table 8-2]

	Training cohort			Validation cohort		
SEQ ID NO:	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)
34	62.8	67.6	62.3	60.7	81.2	58.6
21_34	81	82.4	80.8	82.1	81.2	82.2
9_34_36	84.4	94.1	83.4	82.1	68.8	83.4
9_34_36_98	87	97.1	85.9	88.4	87.5	88.5
9_34_36_98_635	88.2	97.1	87.2	87.9	87.5	87.9
34_36_143_155_187_635	86.2	94.1	85.3	86.1	87.5	86
9_34_36_66_98_187	87.3	97.1	86.3	88.4	81.2	89.2
9_34_36_98_187_637	86.5	94.1	85.6	87.3	87.5	87.3
9_34_36_98_185_637	86.7	97.1	85.6	86.7	87.5	86.6
9_34_36_98_637_639	86.5	97.1	85.3	87.9	87.5	87.9

[Table 8-3]

	Training cohort			Validation cohort		
SEQ ID NO:	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)
36	78.7	82.4	78.3	78.6	81.2	78.3
9_36	82.7	97.1	81.2	82.7	75	83.4
9_36_98	85	100	83.4	86.7	87.5	86.6
9_36_75_98	87	100	85.6	85.5	81.2	86
9_13_36_108_194	87.9	94.1	87.2	86.1	75	87.3
9_36_98_108_638_639	85.6	94.1	84.7	88.4	87.5	88.5
36_98_155_194_635_642	85.3	100	83.7	86.1	81.2	86.6
9_34_36_75_98_637	87.3	97.1	86.3	87.9	87.5	87.9
21_36_98_155_185_635	83.9	97.1	82.4	89	87.5	89.2
9_36_98_108_155_635	85.9	97.1	84.7	87.3	81.2	87.9

[Table 8-4]

	Training cohort			Validation cohort		
SEQ ID NO:	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)
98	70.9	64.7	71.6	70.5	62.5	71.3
36_98	82.4	88.2	81.8	82.1	75	82.8
9_98_639	84.1	91.2	83.4	85.5	81.2	86
9_36_98_194	86.7	97.1	85.6	89.6	81.2	90.4
9_98_130_135_639	88.2	97.1	87.2	87.9	100	86.6

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	Training cohort			Validation cohort		
SEQ ID NO:	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)
9_36_98_130_194_637	87.3	100	85.9	89.6	87.5	89.8
21_36_98_108_155_635	85.6	94.1	84.7	89.6	87.5	89.8
9_36_98_108_155_639	87.9	97.1	86.9	88.4	87.5	88.5
9_36_98_155_187_639	87	97.1	85.9	88.4	93.8	87.9
9_36_98_155_187_637	85.9	100	84.3	85.5	81.2	86

[Table 8-5]

	Training cohort			Validation cohort		
SEQ ID NO:	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)	Accuracy (%)	Sensitivity (%)	Specificity (%)
155	67.1	58.8	68.1	69.9	75	69.4
9_155	81.6	94.1	80.2	75.7	75	75.8
9_155_639	84.4	97.1	83.1	85	87.5	84.7
9_130_155639	87	91.2	86.6	89	100	87.9
9_34_130_155_639	88.2	91.2	87.9	87.3	93.8	86.6
9_36_75_98_155_635	85.6	100	84	86.1	81.2	86.6
36_98_130_155_185_635	85.9	94.1	85	86.1	87.5	86
9_13_143_155_194_639	88.2	94.1	87.5	89.6	87.5	89.8
9_13_34_36_98_155	87	97.1	85.9	89	81.2	89.8
36_98_108_155_193_635	85.3	94.1	84.3	86.7	81.2	87.3

[Comparative Example 1]

<Stomach cancer discriminant performance of existing tumor markers in blood>

[0616] The concentrations of the existing tumor markers CEA and CA19-9 in blood were measured in the training cohort and the validation cohort obtained in the preceding Reference Examples. When the concentrations of these tumor markers in blood are higher than the reference values described in Kim, H.J. et al., Acta Oncologica, 2009, No. 48, p. 385 to 390 (CEA: 5 ng/mL, CA19-9: 37 U/mL), subjects are usually suspected of having cancer. Thus, whether or not the concentrations of CEA and CA19-9 in blood exceeded their reference values was confirmed for each sample, and the results were assessed for the ability of these tumor markers to detect cancer in stomach cancer patients. The sensitivity of each existing marker in the training cohort and the validation cohort was calculated. The results are shown in Table 5. The sensitivity of CEA and CA19-9 was as low as 2.9% in the training cohort, and was as low as 12.5% and 12.5%, respectively, in the validation cohort, demonstrating that neither of the markers are useful in the detection of stomach cancer (Table 5).

[0617] On the other hand, as shown above in Tables 3 and 6 of Examples 1 and 2, it can be concluded that in all of the polynucleotides consisting of the nucleotide sequences represented by SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 169 combinations of 1 or 2 polynucleotides exhibiting sensitivity beyond the existing stomach cancer markers are present, and thus such polynucleotides serve as excellent diagnosis markers.

[0618] As shown in these Examples and Comparative Example, the kit, etc., and the method of the present invention can detect stomach cancer with higher sensitivity than the existing tumor markers and therefore permit early detection and treatment of stomach cancer. As a result, improvement in survival rate resulting from reduction in the risk of recurrence, and a therapeutic option of stomach-conserving therapy can also be provided.

Industrial Applicability

[0619] According to the present invention, stomach cancer can be effectively detected by a simple and inexpensive method. This enables early detection, diagnosis and treatment of stomach cancer. The method of the present invention can detect stomach cancer with limited invasiveness using the blood of a patient and therefore allows stomach cancer to be detected conveniently and rapidly.

[0620] All publications, patents, and patent applications cited herein are incorporated herein by reference in their entirety.

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Claims

1. A kit for the detection of stomach cancer, comprising a nucleic acid(s) capable of specifically binding to at least one or more polynucleotides selected from the group consisting of the following stomach cancer markers: miR-4257, miR-6726-5p, miR-1343-3p, miR-1247-3p, miR-6787-5p, miR-6875-5p, miR-1225-3p, miR-8063, miR-6781-5p, miR-4746-3p, miR-1908-5p, miR-6756-5p, miR-204-3p, miR-4651, miR-6757-5p, miR-6825-5p, miR-7108-5p, miR-4792, miR-7641, miR-3188, miR-3131, miR-6780b-5p, miR-8069, miR-6840-3p, miR-8072, miR-1233-5p, miR-6887-5p, miR-1231, miR-5572, miR-6738-5p, miR-6784-5p, miR-6791-5p, miR-6749-5p, miR-6741-5p, miR-128-1-5p, miR-4419b, miR-6746-5p, miR-3184-5p, miR-3679-5p, miR-7110-5p, miR-4516, miR-6717-5p, miR-6826-5p, miR-4433b-3p, miR-3679-3p, miR-3135b, miR-3622a-5p, miR-711, miR-4467, miR-6857-5p, miR-6515-3p, miR-1225-5p, miR-187-5p, miR-3185, miR-642b-3p, miR-1249, miR-744-5p, miR-4442, miR-1228-3p, miR-939-5p, miR-6845-5p, miR-887-3p, miR-7845-5p, miR-6729-5p, miR-4632-5p, miR-615-5p, miR-6724-5p, miR-4728-5p, miR-6732-5p, miR-6816-5p, miR-4695-5p, miR-6088, miR-7975, miR-3197, miR-6125, miR-4433-3p, miR-6727-5p, miR-4706, miR-7847-3p, miR-6805-3p, miR-6766-3p, miR-1913, miR-4649-5p, miR-602, miR-3663-3p, miR-6893-5p, miR-6861-5p, miR-4449, miR-6842-5p, miR-4454, miR-5195-3p, miR-663b, miR-6765-5p, miR-4513, miR-614, miR-6785-5p, miR-6777-5p, miR-940, miR-4741, miR-6870-5p, miR-6131, miR-150-3p, miR-4707-5p, miR-1915-3p, miR-3937, miR-937-5p, miR-4443, miR-1914-3p, miR-3620-5p, miR-1268b, miR-1227-5p, miR-6880-5p, miR-4417, miR-6802-5p, miR-6769a-5p, miR-663a, miR-6721-5p, miR-4532, miR-7977, miR-92b-5p, miR-371a-5p, miR-6126, miR-4734, miR-4665-3p, miR-423-5p, miR-1469, miR-4675, miR-1915-5p, miR-6716-5p, miR-718, miR-4281, miR-6820-5p, miR-6795-5p, miR-6779-5p, miR-7109-5p, miR-6798-5p, miR-4648, miR-8059, miR-6765-3p, miR-6132, miR-4492, miR-7107-5p, miR-3195, miR-3180, miR-296-3p, miR-564, miR-1268a, miR-6848-5p, miR-762, miR-2861, miR-1203, miR-1260b, miR-4476, miR-6885-5p, miR-6769b-5p, miR-23b-3p, miR-1343-5p, miR-3621, miR-4688, miR-4286, miR-4640-5p, miR-4739, miR-1260a, miR-4276, miR-7106-5p, miR-6794-5p, miR-6774-5p, miR-4707-3p, miR-4534, miR-4294, miR-6850-5p, miR-6089 and miR-671-5p.
2. The kit according to claim 1, wherein miR-4257 is hsa-miR-4257, miR-6726-5p is hsa-miR-6726-5p, miR-1343-3p is hsa-miR-1343-3p, miR-1247-3p is hsa-miR-1247-3p, miR-6787-5p is hsa-miR-6787-5p, miR-6875-5p is hsa-miR-6875-5p, miR-1225-3p is hsa-miR-1225-3p, miR-8063 is hsa-miR-8063, miR-6781-5p is hsa-miR-6781-5p, miR-4746-3p is hsa-miR-4746-3p, miR-1908-5p is hsa-miR-1908-5p, miR-6756-5p is hsa-miR-6756-5p, miR-204-3p is hsa-miR-204-3p, miR-4651 is hsa-miR-4651, miR-6757-5p is hsa-miR-6757-5p, miR-6825-5p is hsa-miR-6825-5p, miR-7108-5p is hsa-miR-7108-5p, miR-4792 is hsa-miR-4792, miR-7641 is hsa-miR-7641, miR-3188 is hsa-miR-3188, miR-3131 is hsa-miR-3131, miR-6780b-5p is hsa-miR-6780b-5p, miR-8069 is hsa-miR-8069, miR-6840-3p is hsa-miR-6840-3p, miR-8072 is hsa-miR-8072, miR-1233-5p is hsa-miR-1233-5p, miR-6887-5p is hsa-miR-6887-5p, miR-1231 is hsa-miR-1231, miR-5572 is hsa-miR-5572, miR-6738-5p is hsa-miR-6738-5p, miR-6784-5p is hsa-miR-6784-5p, miR-6791-5p is hsa-miR-6791-5p, miR-6749-5p is hsa-miR-6749-5p, miR-6741-5p is hsa-miR-6741-5p, miR-128-1-5p is hsa-miR-128-1-5p, miR-4419b is hsa-miR-4419b, miR-6746-5p is hsa-miR-6746-5p, miR-3184-5p is hsa-miR-3184-5p, miR-3679-5p is hsa-miR-3679-5p, miR-7110-5p is hsa-miR-7110-5p, miR-4516 is hsa-miR-4516, miR-6717-5p is hsa-miR-6717-5p, miR-6826-5p is hsa-miR-6826-5p, miR-4433b-3p is hsa-miR-4433b-3p, miR-3679-3p is hsa-miR-3679-3p, miR-3135b is hsa-miR-3135b, miR-3622a-5p is hsa-miR-3622a-5p, miR-711 is hsa-miR-711, miR-4467 is hsa-miR-4467, miR-6857-5p is hsa-miR-6857-5p, miR-6515-3p is hsa-miR-

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3. The kit according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the nucleic acid is a polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of the following polynucleotides (a) to (e):

- (a) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,
- (b) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642,
- (c) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,
- (d) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, and
- (e) a polynucleotide hybridizing under stringent conditions to any of the polynucleotides (a) to (d).

4. The kit according to any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein the kit further comprises a nucleic acid(s) capable of specifically binding to at least one or more polynucleotides selected from the group consisting of the following other stomach cancer markers: miR-128-2-5p, miR-125a-3p, miR-92a-2-5p, and miR-486-3p.

5. The kit according to claim 4, wherein miR-128-2-5p is hsa-miR-128-2-5p, miR-125a-3p is hsa-miR-125a-3p, miR-

92a-2-5p is hsa-miR-92a-2-5p, and miR-486-3p is hsa-miR-486-3p.

6. The kit according to claim 4 or 5, wherein the nucleic acid is a polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of the following polynucleotides (f) to (j):

(f) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(g) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169,

(h) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(i) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, and

(j) a polynucleotide hybridizing under stringent conditions to any of the polynucleotides (f) to (i).

7. The kit according to any one of claims 1 to 6, wherein the kit further comprises a nucleic acid(s) capable of specifically binding to at least one or more polynucleotide(s) selected from the group consisting of the following other stomach cancer markers: miR-3196, miR-211-3p, miR-4271, miR-6851-5p, miR-149-3p, miR-4667-5p, miR-135a-3p, miR-4486, miR-4697-5p, miR-4725-3p, miR-6510-5p, miR-5001-5p, miR-4673, miR-4466, miR-23a-3p, miR-3656, miR-6782-5p, miR-4689, miR-451a, miR-4446-3p, miR-3180-3p, miR-642a-3p, miR-6889-5p, miR-3178, miR-4665-5p, miR-6722-3p, miR-30c-1-3p, miR-4507, miR-3141 and miR-1199-5p.

8. The kit according to claim 7, wherein miR-3196 is hsa-miR-3196, miR-211-3p is hsa-miR-211-3p, miR-4271 is hsa-miR-4271, miR-6851-5p is hsa-miR-6851-5p, miR-149-3p is hsa-miR-149-3p, miR-4667-5p is hsa-miR-4667-5p, miR-135a-3p is hsa-miR-135a-3p, miR-4486 is hsa-miR-4486, miR-4697-5p is hsa-miR-4697-5p, miR-4725-3p is hsa-miR-4725-3p, miR-6510-5p is hsa-miR-6510-5p, miR-5001-5p is hsa-miR-5001-5p, miR-4673 is hsa-miR-4673, miR-4466 is hsa-miR-4466, miR-23a-3p is hsa-miR-23a-3p, miR-3656 is hsa-miR-3656, miR-6782-5p is hsa-miR-6782-5p, miR-4689 is hsa-miR-4689, miR-451a is hsa-miR-451a, miR-4446-3p is hsa-miR-4446-3p, miR-3180-3p is hsa-miR-3180-3p, miR-642a-3p is hsa-miR-642a-3p, miR-6889-5p is hsa-miR-6889-5p, miR-3178 is hsa-miR-3178, miR-4665-5p is hsa-miR-4665-5p, miR-6722-3p is hsa-miR-6722-3p, miR-30c-1-3p is hsa-miR-30c-1-3p, miR-4507 is hsa-miR-4507, miR-3141 is hsa-miR-3141, and miR-1199-5p is hsa-miR-1199-5p.

9. The kit according to claim 7 or 8, wherein the nucleic acid is a polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of the following polynucleotides (k) to (o):

(k) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(l) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199,

(m) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(n) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, and

(o) a polynucleotide hybridizing under stringent conditions to any of the polynucleotides (k) to (n).

10. The kit according to any one of claims 1 to 9, wherein the kit comprises at least two or more nucleic acids capable of specifically binding to at least two or more polynucleotides, respectively, selected from all of the stomach cancer markers according to claim 1 or 2.

11. A device for the detection of stomach cancer, comprising a nucleic acid(s) capable of specifically binding to at least one or more polynucleotides selected from the group consisting of the following stomach cancer markers: miR-4257, miR-6726-5p, miR-1343-3p, miR-1247-3p, miR-6787-5p, miR-6875-5p, miR-1225-3p, miR-8063, miR-

6781-5p, miR-4746-3p, miR-1908-5p, miR-6756-5p, miR-204-3p, miR-4651, miR-6757-5p, miR-6825-5p, miR-7108-5p, miR-4792, miR-7641, miR-3188, miR-3131, miR-6780b-5p, miR-8069, miR-6840-3p, miR-8072, miR-1233-5p, miR-6887-5p, miR-1231, miR-5572, miR-6738-5p, miR-6784-5p, miR-6791-5p, miR-6749-5p, miR-6741-5p, miR-128-1-5p, miR-4419b, miR-6746-5p, miR-3184-5p, miR-3679-5p, miR-7110-5p, miR-4516, miR-6717-5p, miR-6826-5p, miR-4433b-3p, miR-3679-3p, miR-3135b, miR-3622a-5p, miR-711, miR-4467, miR-6857-5p, miR-6515-3p, miR-1225-5p, miR-187-5p, miR-3185, miR-642b-3p, miR-1249, miR-744-5p, miR-4442, miR-1228-3p, miR-939-5p, miR-6845-5p, miR-887-3p, miR-7845-5p, miR-6729-5p, miR-4632-5p, miR-615-5p, miR-6724-5p, miR-4728-5p, miR-6732-5p, miR-6816-5p, miR-4695-5p, miR-6088, miR-7975, miR-3197, miR-6125, miR-4433-3p, miR-6727-5p, miR-4706, miR-7847-3p, miR-6805-3p, miR-6766-3p, miR-1913, miR-4649-5p, miR-602, miR-3663-3p, miR-6893-5p, miR-6861-5p, miR-4449, miR-6842-5p, miR-4454, miR-5195-3p, miR-663b, miR-6765-5p, miR-4513, miR-614, miR-6785-5p, miR-6777-5p, miR-940, miR-4741, miR-6870-5p, miR-6131, miR-150-3p, miR-4707-5p, miR-1915-3p, miR-3937, miR-937-5p, miR-4443, miR-1914-3p, miR-3620-5p, miR-1268b, miR-1227-5p, miR-6880-5p, miR-4417, miR-6802-5p, miR-6769a-5p, miR-663a, miR-6721-5p, miR-4532, miR-7977, miR-92b-5p, miR-371a-5p, miR-6126, miR-4734, miR-4665-3p, miR-423-5p, miR-1469, miR-4675, miR-1915-5p, miR-6716-5p, miR-718, miR-4281, miR-6820-5p, miR-6795-5p, miR-6779-5p, miR-7109-5p, miR-6798-5p, miR-4648, miR-8059, miR-6765-3p, miR-6132, miR-4492, miR-7107-5p, miR-3195, miR-3180, miR-296-3p, miR-564, miR-1268a, miR-6848-5p, miR-762, miR-2861, miR-1203, miR-1260b, miR-4476, miR-6885-5p, miR-6769b-5p, miR-23b-3p, miR-1343-5p, miR-3621, miR-4688, miR-4286, miR-4640-5p, miR-4739, miR-1260a, miR-4276, miR-7106-5p, miR-6794-5p, miR-6774-5p, miR-4707-3p, miR-4534, miR-4294, miR-6850-5p, miR-6089 and miR-671-5p.

12. The device according to claim 11, wherein miR-4257 is hsa-miR-4257, miR-6726-5p is hsa-miR-6726-5p, miR-1343-3p is hsa-miR-1343-3p, miR-1247-3p is hsa-miR-1247-3p, miR-6787-5p is hsa-miR-6787-5p, miR-6875-5p is hsa-miR-6875-5p, miR-1225-3p is hsa-miR-1225-3p, miR-8063 is hsa-miR-8063, miR-6781-5p is hsa-miR-6781-5p, miR-4746-3p is hsa-miR-4746-3p, miR-1908-5p is hsa-miR-1908-5p, miR-6756-5p is hsa-miR-6756-5p, miR-204-3p is hsa-miR-204-3p, miR-4651 is hsa-miR-4651, miR-6757-5p is hsa-miR-6757-5p, miR-6825-5p is hsa-miR-6825-5p, miR-7108-5p is hsa-miR-7108-5p, miR-4792 is hsa-miR-4792, miR-7641 is hsa-miR-7641, miR-3188 is hsa-miR-3188, miR-3131 is hsa-miR-3131, miR-6780b-5p is hsa-miR-6780b-5p, miR-8069 is hsa-miR-8069, miR-6840-3p is hsa-miR-6840-3p, miR-8072 is hsa-miR-8072, miR-1233-5p is hsa-miR-1233-5p, miR-6887-5p is hsa-miR-6887-5p, miR-1231 is hsa-miR-1231, miR-5572 is hsa-miR-5572, miR-6738-5p is hsa-miR-6738-5p, miR-6784-5p is hsa-miR-6784-5p, miR-6791-5p is hsa-miR-6791-5p, miR-6749-5p is hsa-miR-6749-5p, miR-6741-5p is hsa-miR-6741-5p, miR-128-1-5p is hsa-miR-128-1-5p, miR-4419b is hsa-miR-4419b, miR-6746-5p is hsa-miR-6746-5p, miR-3184-5p is hsa-miR-3184-5p, miR-3679-5p is hsa-miR-3679-5p, miR-7110-5p is hsa-miR-7110-5p, miR-4516 is hsa-miR-4516, miR-6717-5p is hsa-miR-6717-5p, miR-6826-5p is hsa-miR-6826-5p, miR-4433b-3p is hsa-miR-4433b-3p, miR-3679-3p is hsa-miR-3679-3p, miR-3135b is hsa-miR-3135b, miR-3622a-5p is hsa-miR-3622a-5p, miR-711 is hsa-miR-711, miR-4467 is hsa-miR-4467, miR-6857-5p is hsa-miR-6857-5p, miR-6515-3p is hsa-miR-6515-3p, miR-1225-5p is hsa-miR-1225-5p, miR-187-5p is hsa-miR-187-5p, miR-3185 is hsa-miR-3185, miR-642b-3p is hsa-miR-642b-3p, miR-1249 is hsa-miR-1249, miR-744-5p is hsa-miR-744-5p, miR-4442 is hsa-miR-4442, miR-1228-3p is hsa-miR-1228-3p, miR-939-5p is hsa-miR-939-5p, miR-6845-5p is hsa-miR-6845-5p, miR-887-3p is hsa-miR-887-3p, miR-7845-5p is hsa-miR-7845-5p, miR-6729-5p is hsa-miR-6729-5p, miR-4632-5p is hsa-miR-4632-5p, miR-615-5p is hsa-miR-615-5p, miR-6724-5p is hsa-miR-6724-5p, miR-4728-5p is hsa-miR-4728-5p, miR-6732-5p is hsa-miR-6732-5p, miR-6816-5p is hsa-miR-6816-5p, miR-4695-5p is hsa-miR-4695-5p, miR-6088 is hsa-miR-6088, miR-7975 is hsa-miR-7975, miR-3197 is hsa-miR-3197, miR-6125 is hsa-miR-6125, miR-4433-3p is hsa-miR-4433-3p, miR-6727-5p is hsa-miR-6727-5p, miR-4706 is hsa-miR-4706, miR-7847-3p is hsa-miR-7847-3p, miR-6805-3p is hsa-miR-6805-3p, miR-6766-3p is hsa-miR-6766-3p, miR-1913 is hsa-miR-1913, miR-4649-5p is hsa-miR-4649-5p, miR-602 is hsa-miR-602, miR-3663-3p is hsa-miR-3663-3p, miR-6893-5p is hsa-miR-6893-5p, miR-6861-5p is hsa-miR-6861-5p, miR-4449 is hsa-miR-4449, miR-6842-5p is hsa-miR-6842-5p, miR-4454 is hsa-miR-4454, miR-5195-3p is hsa-miR-5195-3p, miR-663b is hsa-miR-663b, miR-6765-5p is hsa-miR-6765-5p, miR-4513 is hsa-miR-4513, miR-614 is hsa-miR-614, miR-6785-5p is hsa-miR-6785-5p, miR-6777-5p is hsa-miR-6777-5p, miR-940 is hsa-miR-940, miR-4741 is hsa-miR-4741, miR-6870-5p is hsa-miR-6870-5p, miR-6131 is hsa-miR-6131, miR-150-3p is hsa-miR-150-3p, miR-4707-5p is hsa-miR-4707-5p, miR-1915-3p is hsa-miR-1915-3p, miR-3937 is hsa-miR-3937, miR-937-5p is hsa-miR-937-5p, miR-4443 is hsa-miR-4443, miR-1914-3p is hsa-miR-1914-3p, miR-3620-5p is hsa-miR-3620-5p, miR-1268b is hsa-miR-1268b, miR-1227-5p is hsa-miR-1227-5p, miR-6880-5p is hsa-miR-6880-5p, miR-4417 is hsa-miR-4417, miR-6802-5p is hsa-miR-6802-5p, miR-6769a-5p is hsa-miR-6769a-5p, miR-663a is hsa-miR-663a, miR-6721-5p is hsa-miR-6721-5p, miR-4532 is hsa-miR-4532, miR-7977 is hsa-miR-7977, miR-92b-5p is hsa-miR-92b-5p, miR-371a-5p is hsa-miR-371a-5p, miR-6126 is hsa-miR-6126, miR-4734 is hsa-miR-4734, miR-4665-3p is hsa-miR-4665-3p, miR-423-5p is hsa-miR-423-5p, miR-1469 is hsa-miR-1469, miR-4675 is hsa-miR-4675, miR-1915-5p is hsa-miR-1915-5p, miR-6716-5p is hsa-

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13. The device according to claim 11 or 12, wherein the nucleic acid is a polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of the following polynucleotides (a) to (e):

(a) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(b) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642,

(c) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(d) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 1 to 165 and 635 to 642 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, and

(e) a polynucleotide hybridizing under stringent conditions to any of the polynucleotides (a) to (d).

14. The device according to any one of claims 11 to 13, wherein the device further comprises a nucleic acid(s) capable of specifically binding to at least one or more polynucleotides selected from the group consisting of following other stomach cancer markers: miR-128-2-5p, miR-125a-3p, miR-92a-2-5p, and miR-486-3p.

15. The device according to claim 14, wherein miR-128-2-5p is hsa-miR-128-2-5p, miR-125a-3p is hsa-miR-125a-3p, miR-92a-2-5p is hsa-miR-92a-2-5p, and miR-486-3p is hsa-miR-486-3p.

16. The device according to claim 14 or 15, wherein the nucleic acid is a polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of the following polynucleotides (f) to (j):

(f) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(g) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169,

(h) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(i) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 166 to 169 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, and

(j) a polynucleotide hybridizing under stringent conditions to any of the polynucleotides (f) to (i).

17. The device according to any one of claims 11 to 16, wherein the device further comprises a nucleic acid(s) capable of specifically binding to at least one or more polynucleotides selected from the group consisting of the following other stomach cancer markers: miR-3196, miR-211-3p, miR-4271, miR-6851-5p, miR-149-3p, miR-4667-5p, miR-135a-3p, miR-4486, miR-4697-5p, miR-4725-3p, miR-6510-5p, miR-5001-5p, miR-4673, miR-4466, miR-23a-3p,

miR-3656, miR-6782-5p, miR-4689, miR-451a, miR-4446-3p, miR-3180-3p, miR-642a-3p, miR-6889-5p, miR-3178, miR-4665-5p, miR-6722-3p, miR-30c-1-3p, miR-4507, miR-3141 and miR-1199-5p.

18. The device according to claim 17, wherein miR-3196 is hsa-miR-3196, miR-211-3p is hsa-miR-211-3p, miR-4271 is hsa-miR-4271, miR-6851-5p is hsa-miR-6851-5p, miR-149-3p is hsa-miR-149-3p, miR-4667-5p is hsa-miR-4667-5p, miR-135a-3p is hsa-miR-135a-3p, miR-4486 is hsa-miR-4486, miR-4697-5p is hsa-miR-4697-5p, miR-4725-3p is hsa-miR-4725-3p, miR-6510-5p is hsa-miR-6510-5p, miR-5001-5p is hsa-miR-5001-5p, miR-4673 is hsa-miR-4673, miR-4466 is hsa-miR-4466, miR-23a-3p is hsa-miR-23a-3p, miR-3656 is hsa-miR-3656, miR-6782-5p is hsa-miR-6782-5p, miR-4689 is hsa-miR-4689, miR-451a is hsa-miR-451a, miR-4446-3p is hsa-miR-4446-3p, miR-3180-3p is hsa-miR-3180-3p, miR-642a-3p is hsa-miR-642a-3p, miR-6889-5p is hsa-miR-6889-5p, miR-3178 is hsa-miR-3178, miR-4665-5p is hsa-miR-4665-5p, miR-6722-3p is hsa-miR-6722-3p, miR-30c-1-3p is hsa-miR-30c-1-3p, miR-4507 is hsa-miR-4507, miR-3141 is hsa-miR-3141, and miR-1199-5p is hsa-miR-1199-5p.

19. The device according to claim 17 or 18, wherein the nucleic acid is a polynucleotide selected from the group consisting of the following polynucleotides (k) to (o):

(k) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(1) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199,

(m) a polynucleotide consisting of a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, a variant thereof, a derivative thereof, or a fragment thereof comprising 15 or more consecutive nucleotides,

(n) a polynucleotide comprising a nucleotide sequence complementary to a nucleotide sequence represented by any of SEQ ID NOs: 170 to 199 or a nucleotide sequence derived from the nucleotide sequence by the replacement of u with t, and

(o) a polynucleotide hybridizing under stringent conditions to any of the polynucleotides (k) to (n).

20. The device according to any one of claims 11 to 19, wherein the device is a device for measurement by a hybridization technique.

21. The device according to claim 20, wherein the hybridization technique is a nucleic acid array technique.

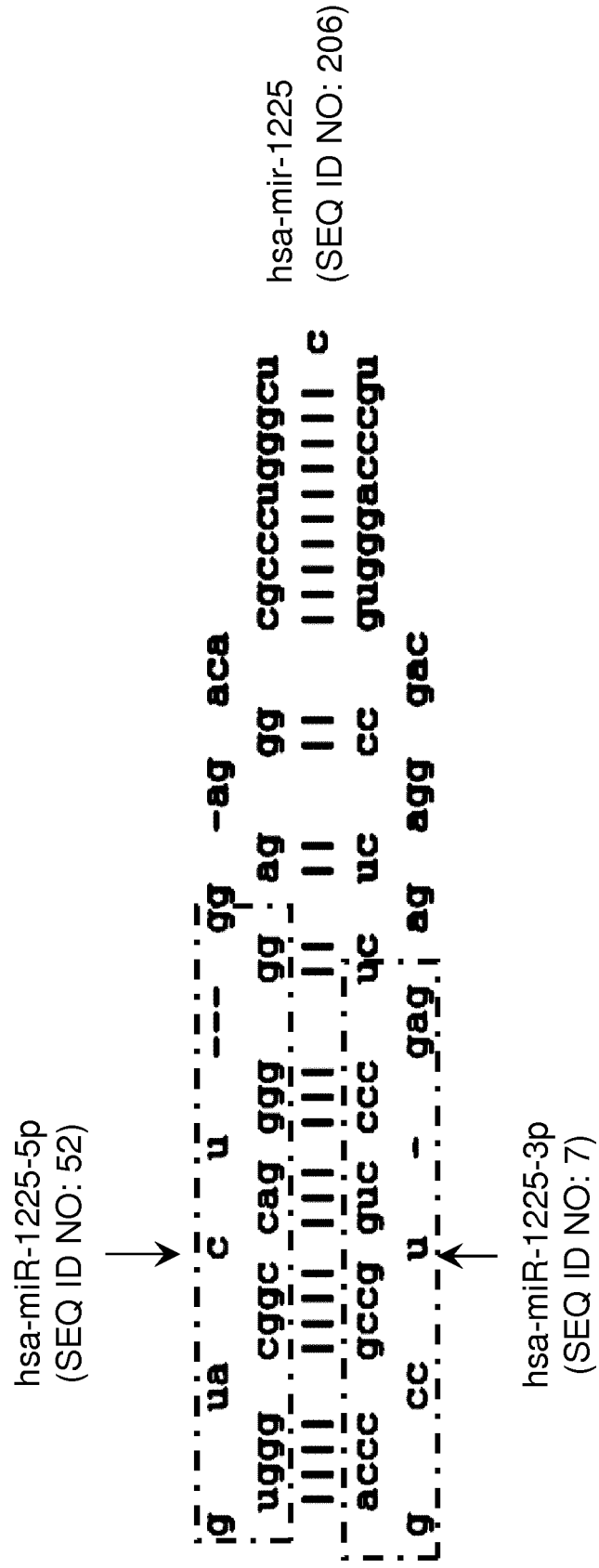
22. The device according to any one of claims 11 to 21, wherein the device comprises at least two or more nucleic acids capable of specifically binding to at least two or more polynucleotides, respectively, selected from all of the stomach cancer markers according to claim 11 or 12.

23. A method for detecting stomach cancer, comprising measuring an expression level(s) of a target nucleic acid(s) in a sample from a subject using the kit according to any one of claims 1 to 10 or the device according to any one of claims 11 to 22, and evaluating *in vitro* whether or not the subject has stomach cancer using both of the measured expression level(s) and control expression level(s) in a sample from a healthy subject measured in the same way.

24. The method according to claim 23, wherein the subject is a human.

25. The method according to claim 23 or 24, wherein the sample is blood, serum, or plasma.

Fig. 1



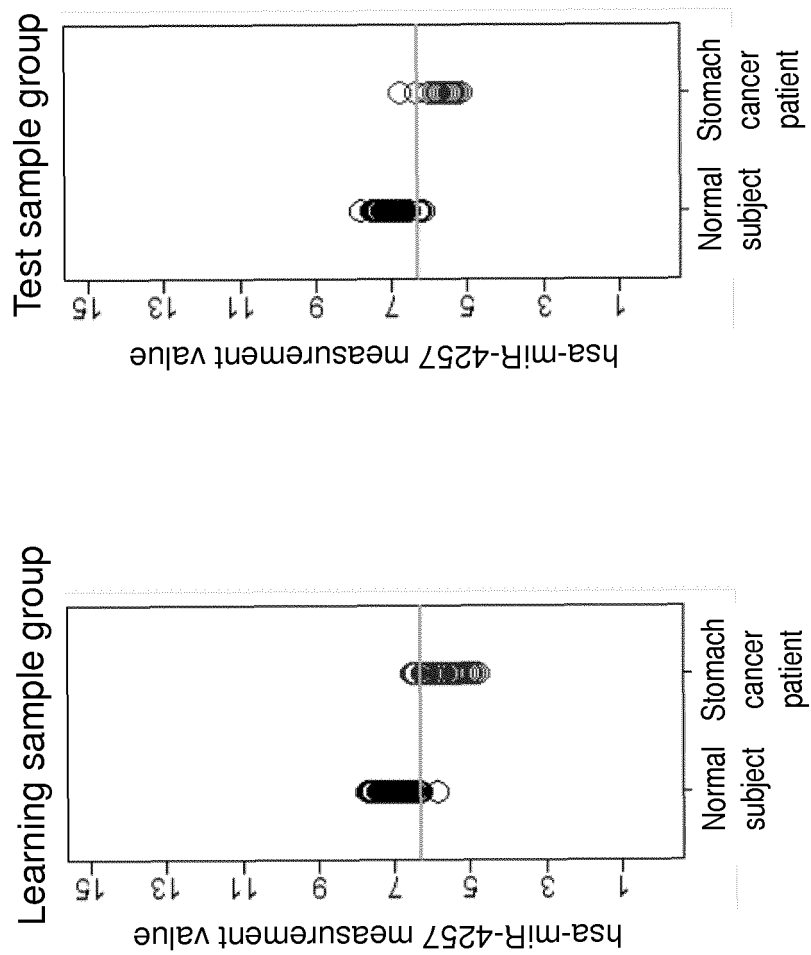


Fig. 2

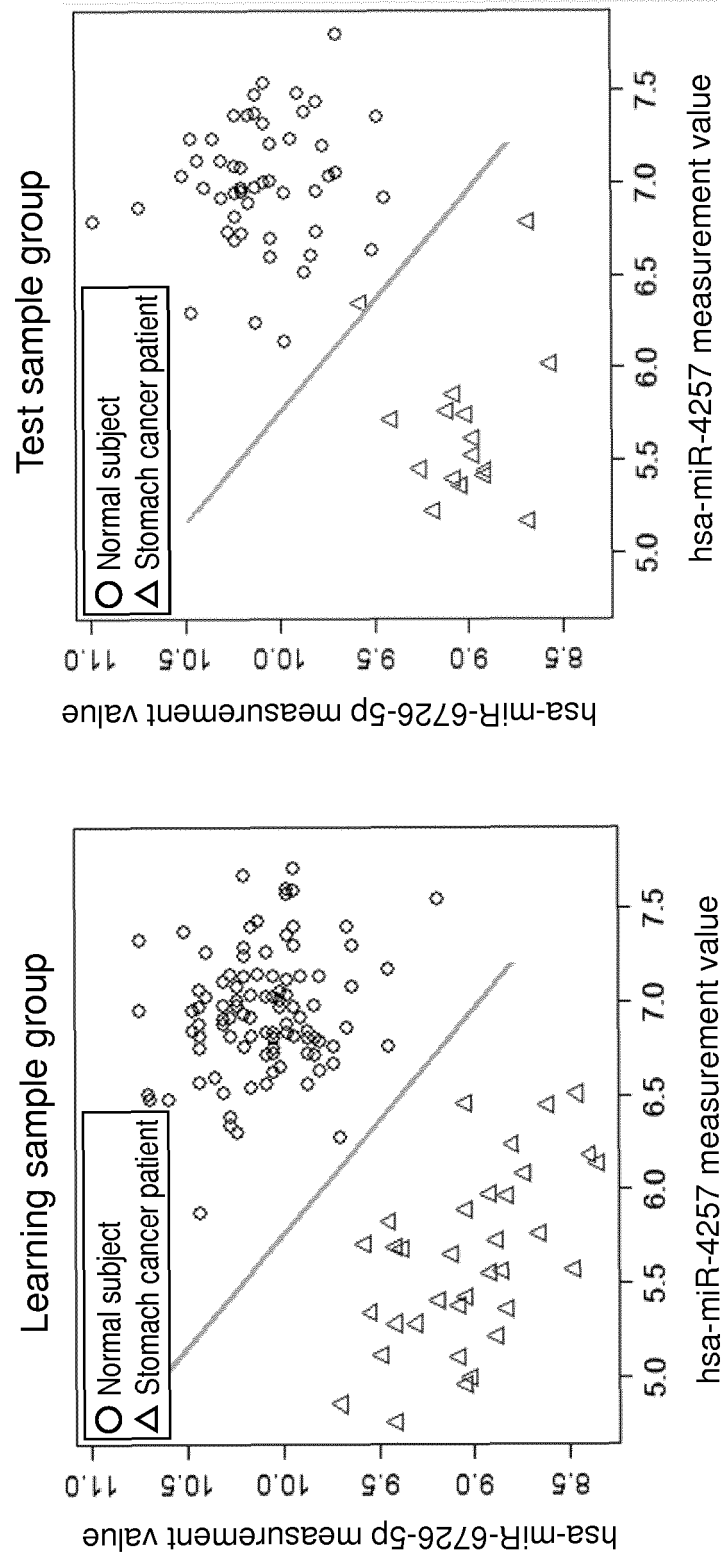
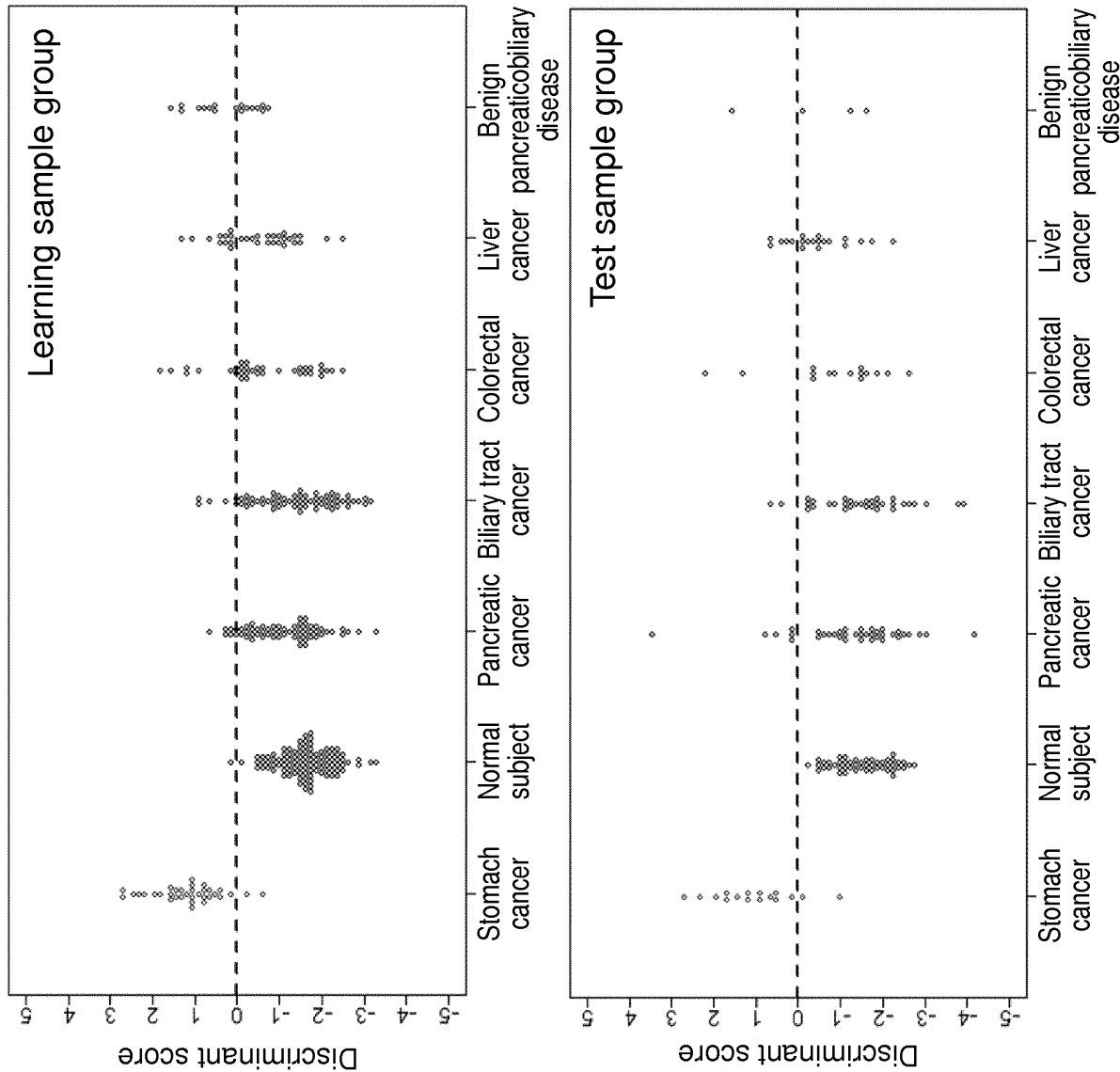


Fig. 3

Fig. 4



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Box No. II Observations where certain claims were found unsearchable (Continuation of item 2 of first sheet)

This international search report has not been established in respect of certain claims under Article 17(2)(a) for the following reasons:

1. ☒ Claims Nos.: 23-25

because they relate to subject matter not required to be searched by this Authority, namely:

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2. ☐ Claims Nos.:

because they relate to parts of the international application that do not comply with the prescribed requirements to such an extent that no meaningful international search can be carried out, specifically:

3. ☐ Claims Nos.:

because they are dependent claims and are not drafted in accordance with the second and third sentences of Rule 6.4(a).

Box No. III Observations where unity of invention is lacking (Continuation of item 3 of first sheet)

This International Searching Authority found multiple inventions in this international application, as follows:

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1. ☐ As all required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers all searchable claims.

2. ☐ As all searchable claims could be searched without effort justifying additional fees, this Authority did not invite payment of additional fees.

3. ☐ As only some of the required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant, this international search report covers only those claims for which fees were paid, specifically claims Nos.:

4. ☒ No required additional search fees were timely paid by the applicant. Consequently, this international search report is restricted to the invention first mentioned in the claims; it is covered by claims Nos.:

In the inventions according to claims 1 to 22, the parts relating to "miR-4257".

Remark on Protest

☐ The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest and, where applicable, the payment of a protest fee.

☐ The additional search fees were accompanied by the applicant's protest but the applicable protest fee was not paid within the time limit specified in the invitation.

☐ No protest accompanied the payment of additional search fees.

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Continuation of Box No.II-1 of continuation of first sheet(2)

The inventions according to claims 23 to 25 relate to "a method for detecting gastric cancer" and comprise an act of evaluating whether or not a subject including human suffers from gastric cancer. Thus, these inventions pertain to "methods for treatment of the human body by surgery or therapy, as well as diagnostic methods".

Continuation of Box No.III of continuation of first sheet(2)

With respect to Box No. III:

Document 1: JP 2014-60993 A (The Ohio State University Research Foundation), 10 April 2014 (10.04.2014), claims 1 to 33

Document 2: JP 2013-85542 A (Sysmex Corp.), 13 May 2013 (13.05.2013), claims 1 to 11

Document 3: JP 2012-507300 A (Caris Life Sciences Luxembourg Holdings), 29 March 2012 (29.03.2012)

Claim 1 discloses inventions relating to kits for detecting gastric cancer, said kits comprising nucleic acids capable of specifically binding to 173 polynucleotides respectively, and a special technical feature was found in the invention relating to "miR-4257" that is the first option in these polynucleotides.

Detection of gastric cancer using a nucleic acid that is capable of specifically binding to a gastric cancer marker miRNA had been publicly known before the priority date of the present application (see Documents 1 to 3). Thus, it does not appear that there is a common special technical feature making a contribution over the prior art between the part relating to the first option "miR-4257" and the parts relating to the remaining 172 polynucleotides respectively in the inventions set forth in claim 1.

In the inventions according to claims 2 to 22, it does not also appear that there is a common technical feature making a contribution over the prior art between the inventions relating to other than "miR-4257" and the inventions relating to "miR-4257".

In the inventions according to claims 1 to 22, the inventions relating to other than "miR-4257" are not inventions in the same category that include all matters specifying the inventions relating to first option "miR-4257" set forth in claim 1.

Further, as a result of the search which has been carried out with respect to inventions to be searched on the basis of special technical features, the above-said inventions are not relevant to inventions on which it is substantially possible to carry out a search without an additional prior-art search and judgment, and there is no other reason for that it can be considered that it is efficient to carry out a search on those inventions together with the afore-said inventions to be searched.

Such being the case, the present application include 173 inventions in total relating respectively to the polynucleotides described in claims 1 to 22.

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本发明涉及用于检测胃癌的试剂盒或装置，以及用于检测胃癌的方法，并且提供了用于检测胃癌的试剂盒或装置，其包含能够特异性结合于胃癌的核酸来自受试者的样品中的miRNA和检测胃癌的方法，包括在体外测量miRNA。

$$f(x)=w_0+\sum_{i=1}^nw_ix_i$$

Formula 1

