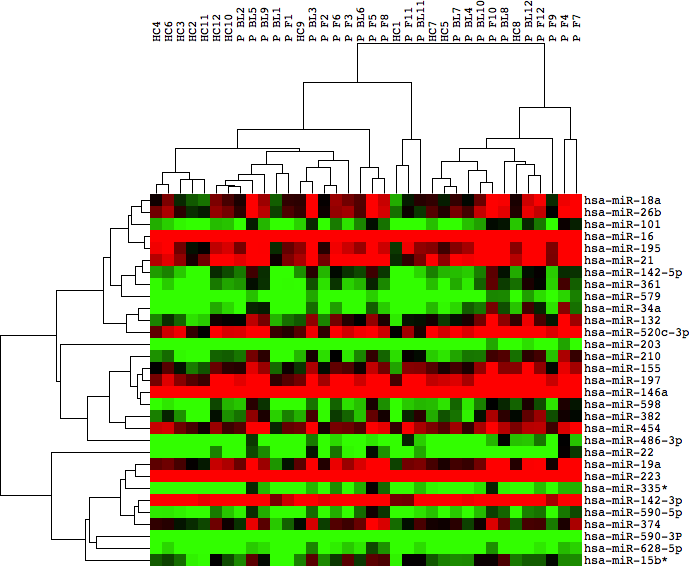
**Additional file 6**



**Heatmap for validation phase**. For healthy cohort (HC) and progressors baseline (P BL) and follow up samples (P F). MicroRNAs heatmaps were generated using hierarchical clustering (Gene Cluster 3.0 and Java TreeView) *Green* indicates low expression; *Red* indicates high expression levels.