Human SYBR Green Primers	
Gene	Sequence
ABCA1	Sense GCAGCAGAGCGAGTACTTCGTT
	Antisense CAAGACTATGCAGCAATGTTTTTGT
CD36	Sense TGTAACCCAGGACGCTGAGG
	Antisense GAAGGTTCGAAGATGGCACC
CD14	Sense CGCTCCGAGATGCATGTG
	Antisense AACGACAGATTGAGGGAGTTCAG
CD68	Sense GCTACATGGCGGTGGAGTACAA
	Antisense ATGATGAGAGGCAGCAAGATGG
CD163	Sense CGAGTTAACGCCAGTAAGG
	Antisense GAACATGTCACGCCAGC

Additional file 2. Human Syber Green primer sequences. Relative gene expression quantification by RT-PCR was performed on an ABI Prism 7900HT Sequence Detection System (Applied Biosystems Inc., UK). MR and SRA-1 expression were examined using specific Taqman assays (Applied Biosystems Inc., UK), whilst, ABCA-1, CD36, CD14, CD68 and CD163 target genes were measured using specific Syber green assays (Applied Biosystems Inc., UK). Ct values were then normalised to 18s ribosomal RNA. In this table, sense (forward primer) and antisense (reverse primer) Syber Green primer sequences are displayed