

## SUPPLEMENTAL FIGURES

### c.6817-713A>G

CGCATGTGCATTCCCAAATTAGGAACAACCTCAGATCAATTTCTAATCCTTATTCTTACACTGTTCCAGTTCCCCCA  
TATAACTCGTATCTTTGTGTTAGTTTCAGAAGTTTCTGAAGTACCCTCAGCCTTGATGGGGATCCTCGCACCACC  
TCAAATCCTGTTCTCAGCCCTAAGAACTGTGTTAGTCATCCTCTTAAGAGGATGTGTGATTTTAAATCAGGTAAT  
GGGATAAACACATTTCTGTCTAGACTGGTCAGGCCTTTGTCCAGTCCCCTCCTCGCCCACACTACCCAGCTCCA  
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SC35 motif

PE inclusion: r.6730\_6816ins6817-835\_6817-714 (122 nt)

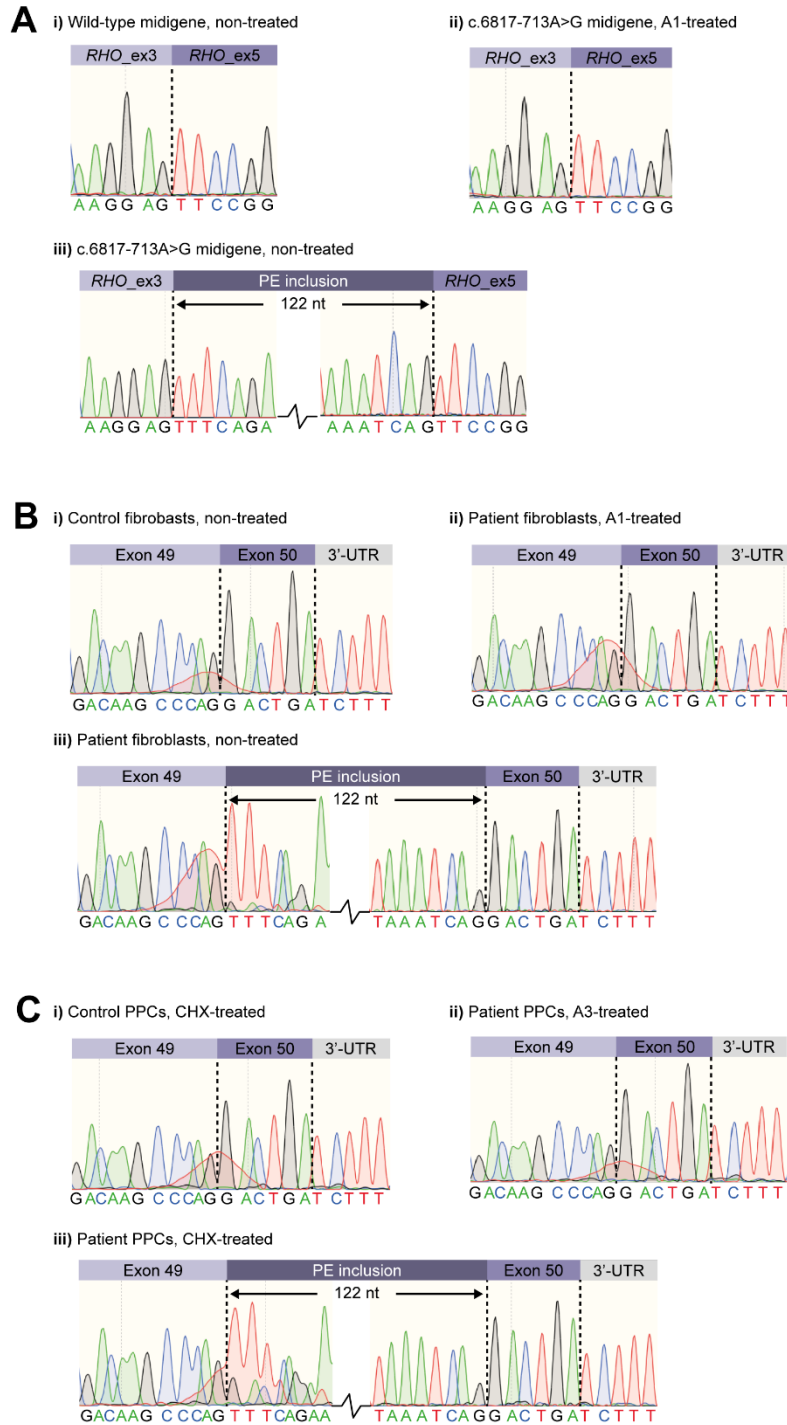
**AON1:** 5'-GGCUGAGAACAGGAUUUGAG-3' (target sequence: CTCAAATCCTGTTCTCAGCC)

**AON2:** 5'-CTGAGAACAGGATTTGAGGT-3' (target sequence: ACCTCAAATCCTGTTCTCAG)

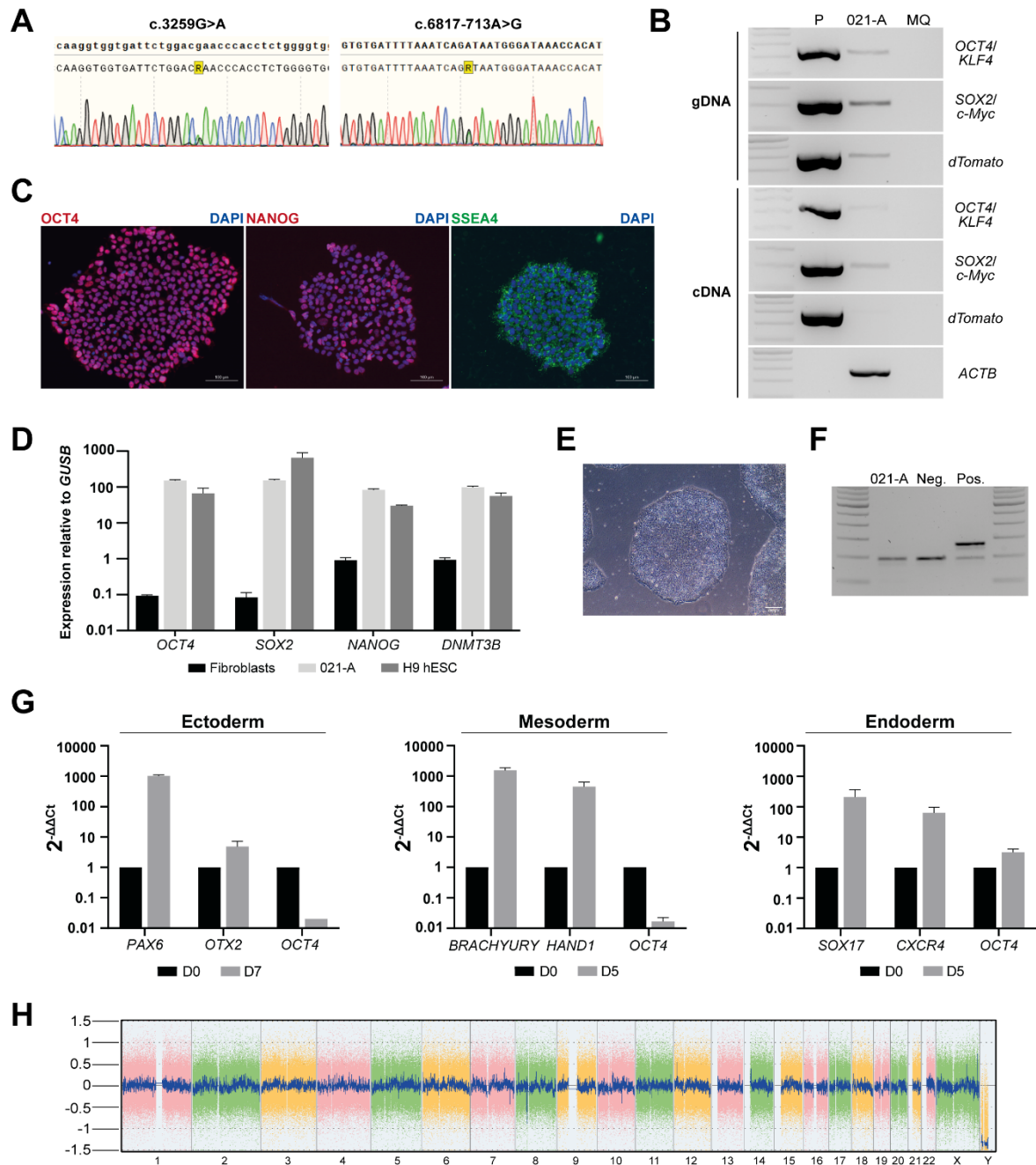
**AON3:** 5'-AACAGGATTTGAGGTGGTG-3' (target sequence: CACCACCTCAAATCCTGTT)

**AON4:** 5'-CAGAACTTCTGAAACTAACAC-3' (target sequence: GTGTTAGTTTCAGAAGTTTCTG)

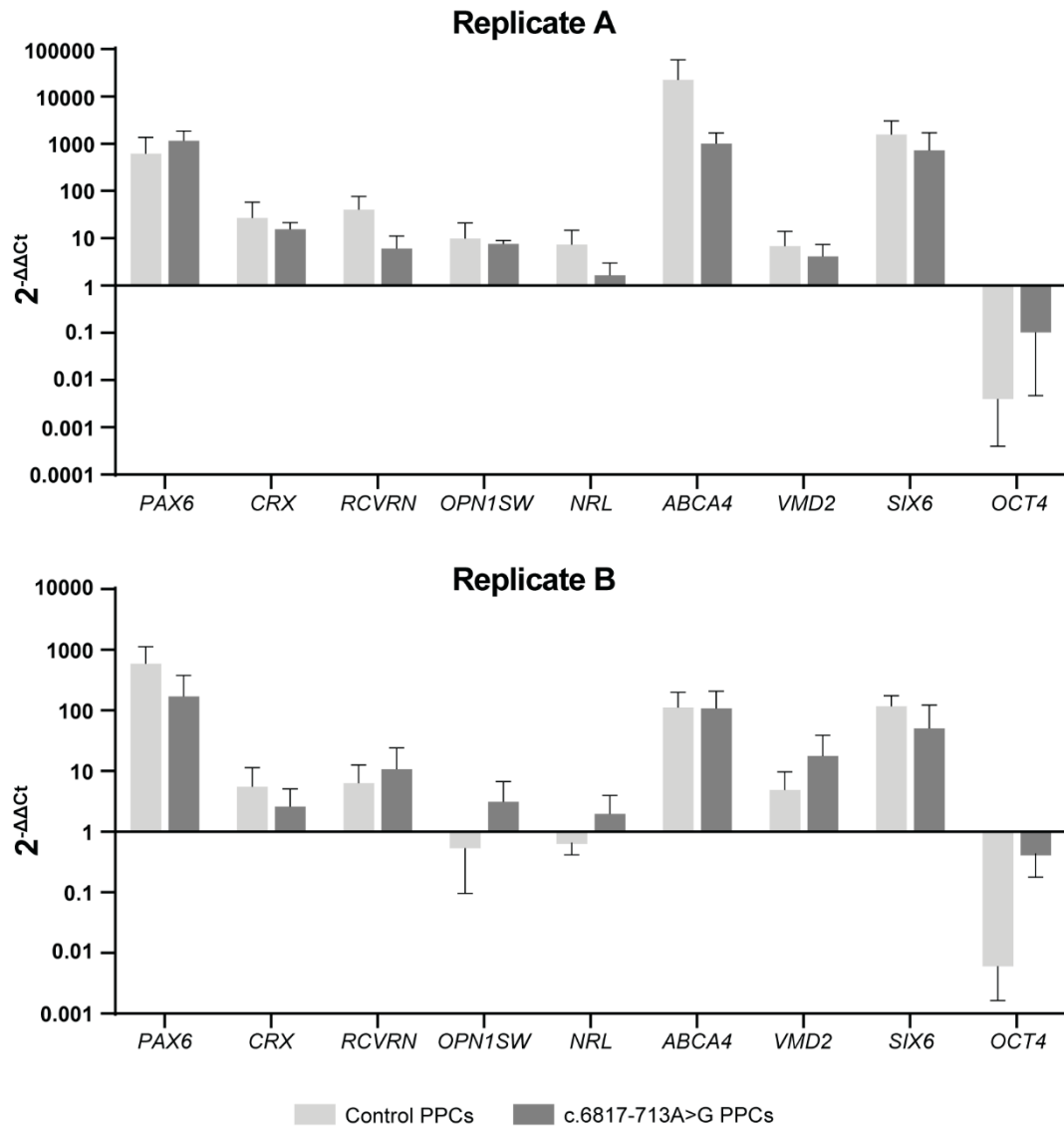
**Figure S1.** Detailed antisense oligonucleotide (AON) design. Target sequences of the employed antisense oligonucleotides (underlined), pseudoexon (PE) inclusion (grey), the top scored enhancer splicing motif (green) and variant (yellow) are indicated for the analyzed region (c.6817-934\_6817-601).



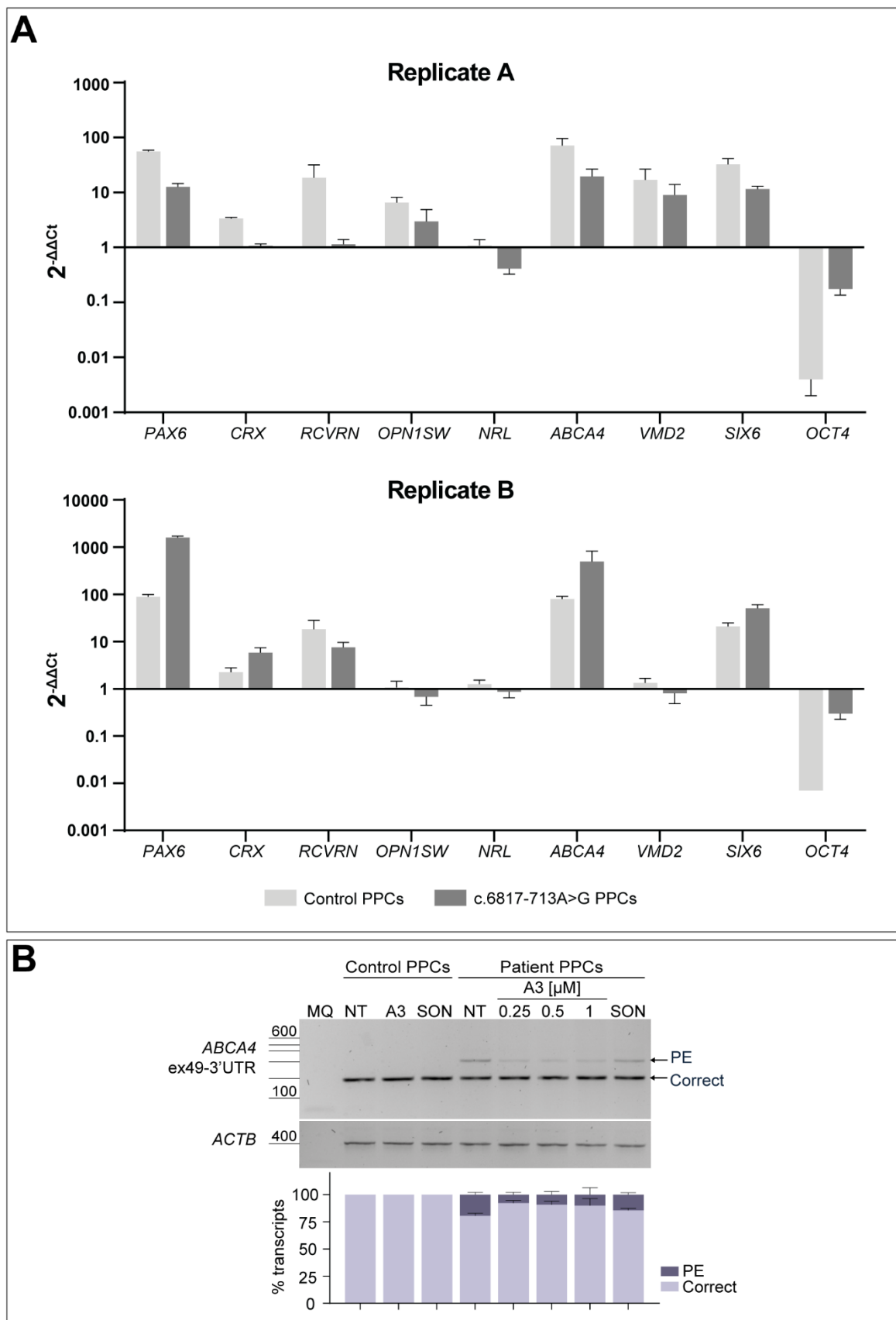
**Figure S2.** Validation of the resulting RT-PCR products from AON-mediated rescue experiments. Sanger sequencing chromatograms from splicing rescue experiments in HEK293T cells (**A**), fibroblasts (**B**) and PPCs (**C**). For each one, sequences of the correct transcript from non-treated wild-type *ABCA4* minigene, non-treated control fibroblasts or CHX-treated control PPCs conditions (**i**), AON-corrected transcript in mutant *ABCA4* minigene, patient-derived fibroblasts or CHX-treated patient-derived PPCs conditions (**ii**), and PE inclusion transcripts in non-treated mutant *ABCA4* minigene, non-treated patient-derived fibroblasts or CHX-treated patient-derived PPCs conditions (**iii**) are shown.



**Figure S3.** Characterization of the patient-derived iPSC line RMCGENi021-A (021-A). **(A)** Sanger sequencing chromatograms from genomic DNA of the patient line, showing the two *ABCA4* variants that were also present in the reprogrammed cells. **(B)** Vector silencing PCR analysis of the lentiviral vector used for reprogramming, from both genomic DNA (gDNA) and RNA (cDNA) samples. P: plasmid pRRL\_PPT\_SF\_hOct34co\_hKlf4co\_hSox2co\_hmyc\_idTomato\_pre\_FRT, as positive control. MQ is used as negative control of all reactions. **(C)** Pluripotency markers expression in reprogrammed iPSCs by immunocytochemistry (ICC) staining. Scale bar at 100  $\mu$ m. **(D)** Pluripotency markers expression in reprogrammed iPSCs by qPCR analysis relative to housekeeping gene expression (*GUSB*). The original patient-derived fibroblast sample was used as negative control for pluripotency, whereas the H9 human embryonic stem cell (hESC) line was used as positive control. **(E)** Representative high-contrast image of an isolated iPSC colony by EVOS XL Core Microscope. Scale bar at 200  $\mu$ m. **(F)** Presence of mycoplasma contamination by PCR from medium collected during iPSC culture. **(G)** Trilineage differentiation capacity of the reprogrammed iPSCs by qPCR analysis. Expression of ectodermal, mesodermal and endodermal markers is shown relative to Day 0 iPSCs. **(H)** Chromosomal aberration analysis of the iPSC line by SNP array.



**Figure S4.** Relative gene expression of pluripotency and retinal markers in PPCs used for RNA analyses. Average gene expression in the control individual and the patient-derived iPSC lines differentiation for replicates A and B. Expression of the retina-specific marker *ABCA4* was increased for both lines and replicates when compared to Day 0 iPSCs. The early neuroretina marker *PAX6* and *SIX6* also presented increased gene expression in all cases. Pluripotency marker *OCT4* expression decreased through differentiation. The RPE cell-specific marker *VMD2* was also increased in all cases. The remaining retinal gene markers *CRX*, *RCV1*, *OPN1SW* and *NRL* also showed increased gene expression, although it was at a lower extent.



**Figure S5.** Characterization of the PPCs used for protein analyses. **(A)** Average gene expression in the control individual and the patient-derived iPSC lines differentiation for replicates A and B of protein assays, compared to Day 0 iPSCs. **(B)** A3-mediated rescue at RNA level in control individual and patient-derived PPCs carrying variant c.6817-713A>G in heterozygosity. Analysis of correct (Correct) and pseudoexon (PE)-including *ABCA4* transcripts

by RT-PCR. At Day 20 of differentiation, control individual-derived PPCs were treated with A3 at 1  $\mu$ M, whereas increasing concentrations (0.25, 0.5 and 1  $\mu$ M) were delivered to patient-derived PPCs carrying variant c.6817-713A>G in heterozygosity. Both PPC lines were left as non-treated (NT) control, and scrambled oligonucleotide (SON) delivery at 1  $\mu$ M was used as negative control. Semi-quantification analysis of the different RT-PCR products are represented in the graph below the representative gel image. Amplification of  $\beta$ -actin (*ACTB*) gene was used as loading control. MQ is used as negative control of all reactions. Data (n=2) are presented as mean  $\pm$  SD. One-way ANOVA test with multiple comparison analysis was employed, in which non-treated (NT) column was the reference condition for correct transcript levels.

## SUPPLEMENTAL TABLES

**Table S1.** Antisense oligonucleotide (AON) sequences and characteristics for the rescue of intronic *ABCA4* variant c.6817-713A>G.

A#	Sequence (5'→3')	Position (cDNA)	Length (nt)	% GC	T <sub>m</sub> (°C)
A1	GGCUGAGAACAGGAUUUGAG	6817-765_6817-784	20	50,0	51,8
A2	CUGAGAACAGGAUUUGAGGU	6817-767_6817-786	20	45,0	49,7
A3	AACAGGAUUUGAGGUGGUG	6817-772_6817-790	19	47,0	48,9
A4	CAGAAACUUCUGAAACUACAC	6817-821_6817-842	22	36,0	49,2
SON	CCUCUUACCUCAGUACAAU	-	20	40,0	47,7

**Table S2.** Primer sequences for site-directed insertion of the *ABCA4* cDNA-containing vector.

Cloning primer_orientation	Sequence 5'→3'
PE-insertion_forward	ttctgaagtaccctcagccttgaGACTAAACCCAGCTTTCTTGTACA
PE-insertion_reverse	tacttcagaaactctgaaaCTGGGCTTGTCGACTGGCTC

**Table S3.** Primer sequences for sequencing validation of the modified *ABCA4* cDNA-containing vector.

<i>ABCA4</i> -exon_orientation	Sequence 5'→3'
ex5_forward	GGAATACGAATAAGGGATATCTTG
ex6_reverse	CCACGTTGGCATAACAGAGTG
ex7_forward	TCTGAGATCTTGGGGAGGAA
ex11_forward	CGCCTGGTCAATCAATACCT
ex13_forward	GCCTATCTGCAGGACATGGT
ex15_forward	GCTGAGCTGAAGAAGGCTGT
ex19_forward	TCTTTGAACGTGAGCATCCA
ex20_forward	GGGACATTGAAACCAGCCTG
ex23_forward	TGCGCAAGATGAAAAACATC
ex26_forward	GAAGGTCACGGAGGATTCTG
ex29_forward	GCAGTTCACGGTACTTGACG
ex31_forward	AAGACCTGACGGACAGGAAC
ex36_forward	CAGTGGATGCTGTGGTTGCCATC
ex40_forward	GGGGTGGTGTACTTCCTCCT
ex45_forward	GACTGTCTACGCCGACTGC
ex49_forward	CAGCAGACTGAAAGTCATGACC

**Table S4.** Primer sequences for PPC characterization by qPCR analysis.

Gene_primer orientation	Sequence 5'→3'	Transcript size (bp)
<i>PAX6_forward</i>	GCTGCAAAGAAATAGAACATCC	111
<i>PAX6_reverse</i>	TTGGCTGCTAGTCTTTCTCG	
<i>CRX_forward</i>	CCCCAGTGTGGATCTGATG	116
<i>CRX_reverse</i>	CAACACAGTGCCTCCAGCTC	
<i>RCVRN_forward</i>	ACACCAAGTTCTCGGAGGAG	108
<i>RCVRN_reverse</i>	ACTTGGCGTAGATGCTCTGG	
<i>OPN1SW_forward</i>	TTCTTCTCCAAGAGTGCTTGC	97
<i>OPN1SW_reverse</i>	CCTTCCCACACACCATCTTC	
<i>NRL_forward</i>	GGCTCCACACCTTACAGCTC	107
<i>NRL_reverse</i>	AGCCAGTACAGCTCCTCCAG	
<i>ABCA4_forward</i>	CATCCTGTTCCACCACCTCA	113
<i>ABCA4_reverse</i>	CTGTGTCCTCCAACATGGCT	
<i>VMD2_forward</i>	TCAGTGTGGACACCTGTATGC	84
<i>VMD2_reverse</i>	AAGCTGTACACCGCCACAG	
<i>SIX6_forward</i>	CCAGGCAACCGGACTGAC	121
<i>SIX6_reverse</i>	TGTGACAGGACCTGCTGCT	
<i>OCT4_forward</i>	GCAGCAGATCAGCCACATC	119
<i>OCT4_reverse</i>	CCTCTCGTTGTGCATAGTCG	
<i>GUSB_forward</i>	AGAGTGGTGCTGAGGATTGG	80
<i>GUSB_reverse</i>	CCCTCATGCTCTAGCGTGTC	



**Table S5.** Primer sequences for iPSC characterization.

Gene_primer orientation	Sequence 5'→3'	Transcript size (bp)
<i>PAX6</i> _forward	GCTGCAAAGAAATAGAACATCC	111
<i>PAX6</i> _reverse	TTGGCTGCTAGTCTTTCTCG	
<i>OTX2</i> _forward	AGGAGGTGGCACTGAAAATC	109
<i>OTX2</i> _reverse	TGACCTCCATTCTGCTGTTG	
<i>BRACHYURY</i> _forward	TGCTTCCTGAGACCCAGTT	121
<i>BRACHYURY</i> _reverse	GATCACTTCTTTCCTTGCATCAAG	
<i>HAND1</i> _forward	GAACTCAAGAAGGCGGATGG	115
<i>HAND1</i> _reverse	CGGTGCGTCCTTAATCCTC	
<i>SOX17</i> _forward	GAACGCTTTCATGGTGTGGG	107
<i>SOX17</i> _reverse	CCTCCACGACTTGCCCAG	
<i>CXCR4</i> _forward	TGGAGGGGATCAGTATATACACT	130
<i>CXCR4</i> _reverse	ATGGTGGGCAGGAAGATTTT	
<i>OCT4</i> _forward	GCAGCAGATCAGCCACATC	119
<i>OCT4</i> _reverse	CCTCTCGTTGTGCATAGTCG	
<i>SOX2</i> _forward	GCTAGTCTCCAAGCGACGAA	144
<i>SOX2</i> _reverse	GCAAGAAGCCTCTCCTTGAA	
<i>NANOG</i> _forward	CTGTGTTCTCTCCACCCAG	120
<i>NANOG</i> _reverse	TCACCTGTTGTAGCTGAGG	
<i>DMNT3</i> _forward	TTCCCGGCTACCAGGTCC	88
<i>DMNT3</i> _reverse	CGATGGTAAGGTAAGAGCTGGG	
<i>GUSB</i> _forward	AGAGTGGTGCTGAGGATTGG	80
<i>GUSB</i> _reverse	CCCTCATGCTCTAGCGTGTC	
<i>OCT4/KLF4</i> _forward	ACCCGTGTCCTTCTCTCTG	326
<i>OCT4/KLF4</i> _reverse	TGTTGTTAGGGGCGCCAG	
<i>SOX2/c-Myc</i> _forward	GTCACCAGCAGCTCCAC	201
<i>SOX2/c-Myc</i> _reverse	GCTCGAATTTCTCCAGATATCC	
<i>dTomato</i> _forward	GTTTCATGTACGGCTCCAAGG	390
<i>dTomato</i> _reverse	TAGTAGTAGCCGGGCGAGTTG	
<i>ACTB</i> _forward	ACTGGGACGACATGGAGAAG	384
<i>ACTB</i> _reverse	TCTCAGCTGTGGTGGTGAAG	
<i>ABCA4_c.3259G&gt;A</i> _forward	CACCCTCCACAGCCCCTTAAC	264
<i>ABCA4_c.3259G&gt;A</i> _reverse	AAATGGCAGGTGAGAGAGTG	
<i>ABCA4_c.6817-713A&gt;G</i> _forward	CGCACCACCTCAAATCCTGTTC	331
<i>ABCA4_c.6817-713A&gt;G</i> _reverse	GAGAGATGAGAGCTGGAGTGC	

**Table S6.** Primer sequences for RT-PCR analysis in HEK293T cells, fibroblasts and PPCs rescue studies.

Gene_exon_primer orientation	Sequence 5'→3'	Transcript size (bp)
<i>RHO</i> _ex3_forward	CGGAGGTCAACAACGAGTCT	274
<i>RHO</i> _ex5_reverse	AGGTGTAGGGGATGGGAGAC	
<i>ABCA4</i> _ex49_forward	CAGCAGACTGAAAGTCATGACC	167
<i>ABCA4</i> _3'UTR_reverse	GGCCAGTCCATTTGGATGACC	
<i>ACTB</i> _ex3_forward	ACTGGGACGACATGGAGAAG	384
<i>ACTB</i> _ex4_reverse	TCTCAGCTGTGGTGGTGAAG	
<i>RHO</i> _ex5_forward	ATCTGCTCGGCAAGAAC	140
<i>RHO</i> _ex5_reverse	AGGTGTAGGGGATGGGAGAC	

**Table S7.** Semi-quantification analysis of the RT-PCR products from rescue studies in HEK293T cells, fibroblasts and PPCs. Correct and aberrant transcripts levels are represented as an averaged percentage (%) of the total transcript for each condition or lane of two independent experiments. SD: standard deviation.

Condition	Wild-type minigene		c.6817-713A>G minigene											
	NT		NT		A1		A2		A3		A4		SON	
	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
% Correct	100,00	0,00	85,43	4,71	100,00	0,00	99,38	0,54	100,00	0,00	89,79	8,54	78,75	8,82
% Aberrant	0,00	0,00	14,57	4,71	0,00	0,00	0,62	0,54	0,00	0,00	10,21	8,54	21,25	8,82

Condition	Control fibroblasts											
	NT		A1		A2		A3		A4		SON	
	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
% Correct	100,00	0,00	100,00	0,00	100,00	0,00	100,00	0,00	100,00	0,00	100,00	0,00
% Aberrant	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00

Condition	Patient fibroblasts											
	NT		A1		A2		A3		A4		SON	
	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
% Correct	55,38	2,39	89,10	1,79	88,07	3,45	92,53	7,11	66,29	9,62	46,13	6,22
% Aberrant	44,62	2,39	10,90	1,79	11,93	3,45	7,47	7,11	33,71	9,62	53,87	6,22

Condition	Control fibroblasts																					
	NT		A1_0.1μM		A1_0.25μM		A1_0.5μM		A2_0.1μM		A2_0.25μM		A2_0.5μM		A3_0.1μM		A3_0.25μM		A3_0.5μM		SON_0.5μM	
	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
% Correct	100,00	0,00	100,00	0,00	100,00	0,00	100,00	0,00	100,00	0,00	100,00	0,00	100,00	0,00	100,00	0,00	100,00	0,00	100,00	0,00	100,00	0,00
% Aberrant	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00

**Table S7 (Continued)**

Patient fibroblasts																						
Condition	NT		A1_0.1μM		A1_0.25μM		A1_0.5μM		A2_0.1μM		A2_0.25μM		A2_0.5μM		A3_0.1μM		A3_0.25μM		A3_0.5μM		SON_0.5μM	
	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
% Correct	54,97	14,33	92,57	8,71	94,46	4,24	85,13	13,94	87,05	9,51	90,62	5,59	88,58	8,78	88,44	14,50	97,17	1,04	93,51	7,97	42,53	6,53
% Aberrant	45,03	14,33	7,43	8,71	5,54	4,24	14,87	13,94	12,95	9,51	9,38	5,59	11,42	8,78	11,56	14,50	2,83	1,04	6,49	7,97	57,47	6,53

	Control PPCs																							
Condition	NT		+CHX		A1_0.25μM		A1_0.5μM		A1_1μM		A2_0.25μM		A2_0.5μM		A2_1μM		A3_0.25μM		A3_0.5μM		A3_1μM		SON_1μM	
	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
% Correct	100,00	0,00	100,00	0,00	100,00	0,00	100,00	0,00	100,00	0,00	100,00	0,00	100,00	0,00	100,00	0,00	100,00	0,00	100,00	0,00	100,00	0,00	100,00	0,00
% Aberrant	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00

	Patient PPCs																							
Condition	NT		+CHX		A1_0.25μM		A1_0.5μM		A1_1μM		A2_0.25μM		A2_0.5μM		A2_1μM		A3_0.25μM		A3_0.5μM		A3_1μM		SON_1μM	
	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
% Correct	76,31	5,91	55,74	14,19	81,48	0,36	86,60	0,39	85,56	1,42	83,45	9,00	88,48	4,87	84,24	1,90	94,08	0,70	93,98	0,06	95,82	1,85	69,67	16,22
% Aberrant	23,69	5,91	44,26	14,19	18,52	0,36	13,40	0,39	14,44	1,42	16,55	9,00	11,52	4,87	15,76	1,90	5,92	0,70	6,02	0,06	4,18	1,85	30,33	16,22

	Control PPCs						Patient PPCs									
Condition	NT		A3_1μM		SON_1μM		NT		A3_0.25μM		A3_0.5μM		A3_1μM		SON_1μM	
	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
% Correct	100,00	0,00	100,00	0,00	100,00	0,00	80,63	2,33	92,39	2,32	90,94	3,11	90,02	6,46	85,63	1,93
% Aberrant	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	0,00	19,37	2,33	7,61	2,32	9,06	3,11	9,98	6,46	14,37	1,93

**Table S8.** Semi-quantification analysis of the detected western blot signal in PPC rescue studies. Protein levels are normalized against the housekeeping protein  $\beta$ -tubulin and represented as an averaged value for each condition or lane of two independent experiments. SD: standard deviation.

Condition	Control PPCs						Patient PPCs									
	NT		A3_1 $\mu$ M		SON_1 $\mu$ M		NT		A3_0.25 $\mu$ M		A3_0.5 $\mu$ M		A3_1 $\mu$ M		SON_1 $\mu$ M	
	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD	Mean	SD
Area ABCA4 vs $\beta$ -tubulin	0,87	0,03	0,57	0,13	0,78	0,04	0,50	0,17	1,18	0,39	0,56	0,31	0,44	0,04	0,53	0,02
% ABCA4 vs Control NT	100,00	0,00	64,93	11,78	89,42	7,53	57,05	17,66	133,60	39,40	62,91	32,99	50,29	6,29	61,04	4,60