## SUPPLEMENTARY TABLES

|                                       | pSS Age Group (30-65 years old) | NC Age Group (30-65 years old) |
|---------------------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Number of Subjects                    | 8                               | 10                             |
| Age, mean $\pm$ SD years old          | 46±6.2                          | 43.2±6.01                      |
| Sex, % female                         | 100%                            | 100%                           |
| Disease duration, mean $\pm$ SD years | 6.2±2.7                         | N/A                            |
| % UWSF (≤1.5 ml/15 min)               | 60%                             | 0%                             |
| Mean UWSF (ml/15 min)                 | 1.67±1.2                        | 3.9±1.7                        |
| % + Schirmer's test (≤5mm/5min)       | 80%                             | 0%                             |
| Mean Schirmer (mm/5min)               | 5.2±7.9                         | 25.4±8.08                      |
| % anti-SSA antibodies                 | 100%                            | 0%                             |
| % anti-SSB antibodies                 | 80%                             | 0%                             |
| Mean RF                               | 200±80                          | N/A                            |

Supplementary Table 2. Clinical characteristics of the primary Sjögren's syndrome (pSS) and normal control (NC) subjects.

Recruitment of pSS subjects was based on strict American European Consensus Group (AECG) criteria. Non-smoking adult pSS female subjects were screened for oral and ocular dryness, positive labial gland biopsy and positive serological tests for SSA and SSB antibodies. Age-matched, non-smoking adult normal control (NC) females were screened for good general and oral health. UWSF=Unstimulated whole saliva flow; RF=Rheumatoid factor; N/A= Not applicable.

Supplementary Table 3. The materials and reagents required for the sample preparation.

| Materials and reagents  | Supplier        |  |
|-------------------------|-----------------|--|
| protease inhibitor      | Calbiochem      |  |
| ultrapure water (H2O)   | Fisher Chemical |  |
| acetonitrile            | Fisher Chemical |  |
| formic acid             | Fluka           |  |
| phosphorylase inhibitor | Millipore       |  |
| trypsin                 | Promega         |  |
| iodoacetamide           | Sigma           |  |
| urea                    | Sigma           |  |
| dithiothreitol          | Sigma           |  |
| TEAB                    | Sigma           |  |
| trifluoroacetic acid    | Sigma-Aldrich   |  |
| BCA kit                 | Beyotime        |  |