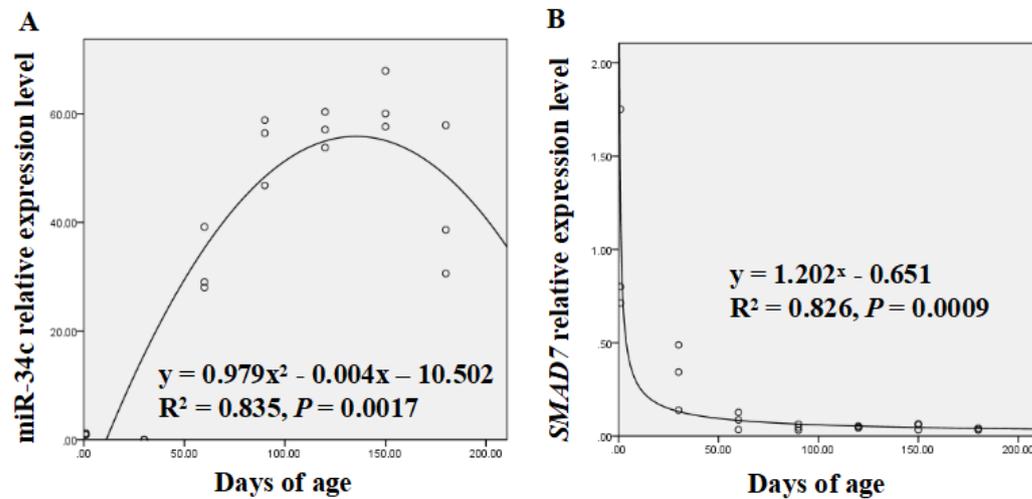


Appendix A The sequences of the primers used in this study

Gene	Primer sequences
miR-34c	RT: GTCGTATCCAGTGCAGGGTCCGAGGTATTTCGCACTGGA TACGACGCAATC F: CGCTTGAGGCAGTGTAGTTAGCT R: ATCCAGTGCAGGGTCCGAGG
<i>U6</i>	F: AACGCTTCACGAATTTGCGT R: CGCTTCACGAATTTGCGTGTCAT
<i>SMAD7</i>	F: GTGGCATACTGGGAGGAGAA R: TTGTTGTCCGAATTGAGCTG
<i>BAX</i>	F: TCCGGGGAGCAACCCA R: AAACCCTGAAGCAAAAGGGC
<i>BCL2</i>	F: GAGGATTGTGGCCTTCTTTG R: GCCGGTTCAGGTACTIONCAGTC
<i>Caspase-3</i>	F: TGGATGCTGCAAATCTCA R: TCCCACTGTCCGTCTCAA
$\beta$ -Actin	F: CTCCGATCTGTGCAGGGTAT R: TGTGAATGCAAACGCTTCCA



**Appendix B** An analysis of the results of miR-34c (A) and *SMAD7* (B) relative expression in developing porcine testicular tissues by curve fitting (experiment I).