

Relative mRNA expression levels of Bcl-2, Bax, and Casp3

Bcl-2

	mean	SD	p value	letter
1 Control	1.000	0.087	1-2, P=0.242	a
2 100 μ M P4	1.090	0.070	1-3, P=0.003	a
3 25 μ M RU486	0.670	0.095	2-3, P=0.001	b

Bax

	mean	SD	p value	letter
1 Control	1.000	0.104	1-2, P=0.271	a
2 100 μ M P4	0.910	0.087	1-3, P<0.001	a
3 25 μ M RU486	1.520	0.079	2-3, P<0.001	b

Casp3

	mean	SD	p value	letter
1 Control	1.000	0.096	1-2, P<0.001	a
2 100 μ M P4	0.450	0.034	1-3, P<0.001	b
3 25 μ M RU486	2.250	0.104	2-3, P<0.001	c