## **Description of Additional Supplementary Files**

Supplementary Data 1: List of oligonucleotide sequences.

Supplementary Data 2: Sequencing data summary of small- and long-RNAs

**Supplementary Data 3**: Gene expression levels in oocytes and early embryos derived from WT, *Piwil2<sup>-/-</sup>*, *Piwil3<sup>-/-</sup>* and *Piwil4<sup>-/-</sup>* golden hamsters.

**Supplementary Data 4**: Gene expression levels in *Piwi*-deficient golden hamster testis.

**Supplementary Data 5**: Differentially expressed consensus TEs in WT versus *Piwil1*<sup>-/-</sup> MII oocyte.

**Supplementary Data 6**: Differentially expressed consensus TEs in WT versus *Piwil3*<sup>-/-</sup> MII oocyte.

**Supplementary Data 7**: Gene expression levels in oocytes and early embryos derived from WT and *Piwil3*-/- golden hamsters.

**Supplementary Data 8**: Top10,000 piRNA expression during oocyte and embryo development in WT or *Piwil3*-/- mutants.

Supplementary Data 9: List of delayed genes in maternal Piwil3-1- embryos

**Supplementary Data 10**: Consensus-TE expression levels in oocytes and early embryos derived from WT and *Piwil3*<sup>-/-</sup> golden hamsters.

**Supplementary Data 11**: Consensus-TE expression levels in *Piwi*-deficient golden hamster testis.

**Supplementary Data 12**: Gene expression levels in Piwil1-deficient spermatogenesis of golden hamster.

**Supplementary Data 13**: Consensus-TE expression levels in Piwil1-deficient spermatogenesis of golden hamster.

**Supplementary Data 14**: The pachytene piRNA clusters in spermatogenesis of golden hamster.

**Supplementary Data 15**: The syntenic genomic coordinates of the pachytene piRNA clusters in spermatogenesis of golden hamster for mouse and human.

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