

Supplemental Table 1. DMZ mRNA injection statistics

<u>Condition</u>	<u>ng/embryo</u>	<u>% Full defect</u>	<u>% Partial defect</u>	<u>% Normal</u>	<u>Total #*</u>
β gal mRNA	1.6	2	0	98	46
Hipk1 mRNA	0.4	4	8	88	48
Hipk1 mRNA	0.8	11	24	64	45
Hipk1 mRNA	1.6	57	23	20	44

*total from one representative experiment

Legend

ng/embryo = nanograms of reagent injected per embryo

% Full defect = percent of embryos with no neural fold fusion along anterior/posterior axis

% Partial defect= percent of embryos with partially fused neural folds along axis

% Normal = percent of embryos with normally fused neural folds along entire axis

Total # = number of embryos surviving past gastrulation