LEGENDS TO SUPPLEMENTAL FIGURES

Supplemental Figure 1. *Ptch1* and *Gli1* demonstrate increased expression in *hitchhiker*

(A,B) Quantitative RT-PCR analysis of *Ptch1* and *Gli1* expression in E9.5 caudal ends detects a significant increase in *Ptch1* (1.65-fold) in *hitchhiker* mutants, reflecting the increased expression seen by wholemount in situ hybridisation, and a significant increase in *Gli1* expression (1.5-fold).

Supplemental Figure 2. Neural tube patterning at forelimb level looks normal

Immunostaining of transverse sections through the neural tube at the level of the forelimb bud with antibodies against Nkx2.2 (A,B), Islet1 (C,D), Pax6 (E,F) and Msx (G,H), in wild-type (A,C,E,G) and *hitchhiker* (B,D,F,H) embryos at E10.5. Marker patterning looks similar in hitchhiker and wild-type embryos. Scale bar: 300 µm.

Supplemental Figure 3. *Shh/Shh;hhkr/hhkr* double mutants demonstrate upregulation of *Ptch1* and *Gli1* but absence of Foxa2 expression

(A-H) In situ hybridisation on transverse sections through the neural tube immediately anterior to the hindlimb bud with probes for *Ptch1* (A-D) and *Gli1* (E-F) in wild-type (A,E), *hitchhiker* (B,F), *Shh* (C,G) and *Shh/Shh;hhkr/hhkr* double mutant embryos (D,H) at E10.5. *Shh/Shh;hhkr/hhkr* double mutants exhibit increased *Ptch1* and *Gli1* expression similar to that seen in *hitchhiker*, and in contrast to the absence of expression in *Shh* mutants. (I-L) Immunostaining for Foxa2 on transverse sections through the E10.5 caudal neural tube in wild-type (I), *hitchhiker* (J), *Shh* (K) and *Shh/Shh;hhkr/hhkr* double mutant embryos (L). Foxa2 is expressed in an expanded domain in *hitchhiker* but not observed in *Shh/Shh;hhkr/hhkr* double mutant embryos. Scale bar: 300 µm.



Supplemental Figure 2



Supplemental Figure 3

