SUPPLEMENT FIGURE LEGENDS

Supplemental Figure 1. Comparison of deduced amino acid sequences of the *Desi* homologous genes found in *Aedes aegypti, Anopheles gambiae, Tribolium castaneum,* and *Apis mellifera* EST databases.

Supplemental Figure 2. *Desi* expression in *Drosophila* adults under wet and desiccated conditions. Whole bodies of *Drosophila* adults, 2 days after eclosion, were used for the analyses.

Supplemental Figure 3. Effect of *Desi* overexpression on the initiation time of the wandering behavior of *Drosophila* larvae. The *hs-Gal4*-dependent overexpression of *Desi* in 2nd instar larvae was induced by heat treatment at 35°C for 30 min. Note that the initiation time of the wandering behavior was not changed by *Desi* overexpression (black bar).

Supplemental Figure 4. Desi expression levels in transgenic Drosophila larvae. Transgenic lines carrying UAS-Desi or UAS-dsDesi were used for Desi overexpression and RNAi knockdown. RT-PCR was performed by using total RNAs prepared from control, overexpression, and RNAi larvae. 1. Actin-Gal4, 2. UAS-Desi (II), 3. UAS-Desi (III), 4. UAS-dsDesi (II), 5. UAS-dsDesi (III), 6. Actin-Gal4/UAS-Desi, 7. Actin-Gal4; UAS-Desi, 8. Actin-Gal4/UAS-dsDesi, 9. Actin-Gal4; UAS-dsDesi.

Supplemental Figure 5. Effects of *Desi* overexpression and knockdown on survival rates of *Drosophila* larvae under wet condition. Every mutant foraging larva was placed under wet condition (on water absorbed cotton in petri dish) for 8 h, and then transferred on normal diet medium. Survival rates were checked 24 h after this transfer. Data are given as means for five separate measurements using 50 animals.

Supplemental Figure 6. Effects of *Desi* overexpression on weights of *Drosophila* larvae under desiccated condition. (A) Weights of *Desi* overexpressed 3rd instar larvae under a dry condition (15% RH). Data are given as means for five separate measurements using 20 animals. (B) Weights of *Desi* overexpressed 2nd instar larvae under a dry condition (15% RH). Data are given as means for five separate measurements using 15 animals. *Significantly different from the values of control larvae (*P<0.05, Turkey's HSD).

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D. melanogaster	MNRNYIVILQ	LLGVLVVLTY	ASAIPKYEDS	HKFYADKAQR	DRSYFNENKT	QPSEPQTAST	KDRLERLGYT	TG-YGS-LNG	Y-PGGTGLS-	-AYNPIKLDL
A. Aegypti	MEPILS	DCGSNSVGQI	IMEPNDLYFI	ICFFQNPFSS	N-NWRRPNET	NYSEA-SSAT	NDRT QRLGLT	TG-YGGGLNG	YGYSSSGVG-	-GYAPLKIDL
A. gambiae	MAARAAYEVS	VLVLATIGWQ	CVPCPCAVCS	LLIHFVLRSL	LTFSSNPWRR	QND SFATES A	SDRS QRLGLT	TG-YGG-VNG	YGYSSSGLG-	-SYTPLKIDL
T. castaneum	 MNT	LLCLFLLGSA	FASPKKYHPD	EGFQPSSV	NRYYESDLSA	NSSKLEKKDE	NSDRLRFGIP	VSSYGSTGNG	VQYGSNSGVG	YVFSPMKIDV
A. mellifera				MPS	QAELRNETSA	KRNDMDSNDI	TDRSQEPRFS	FTNLGSTGSG	YGIST	YSPAKIDL
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