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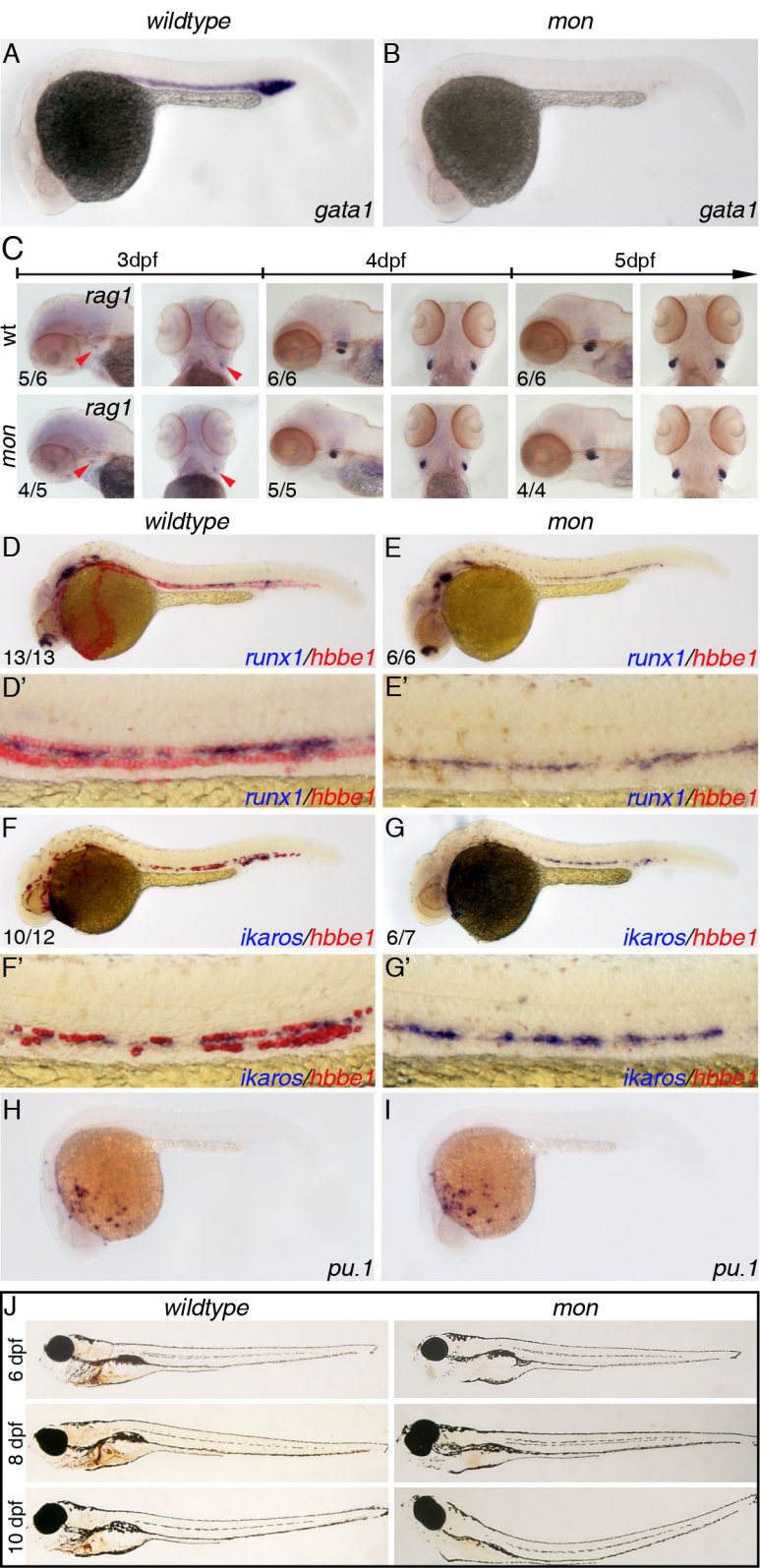


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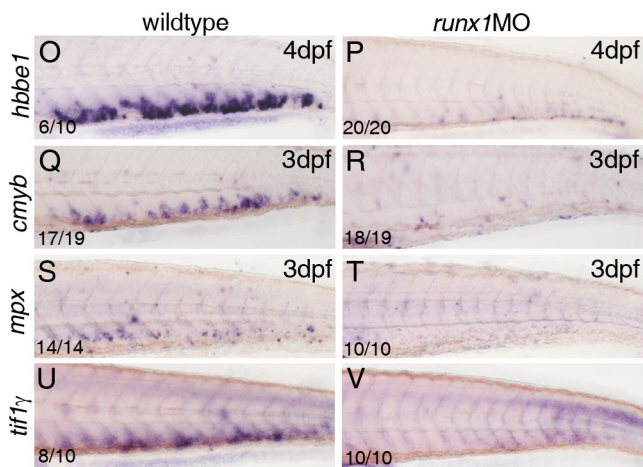
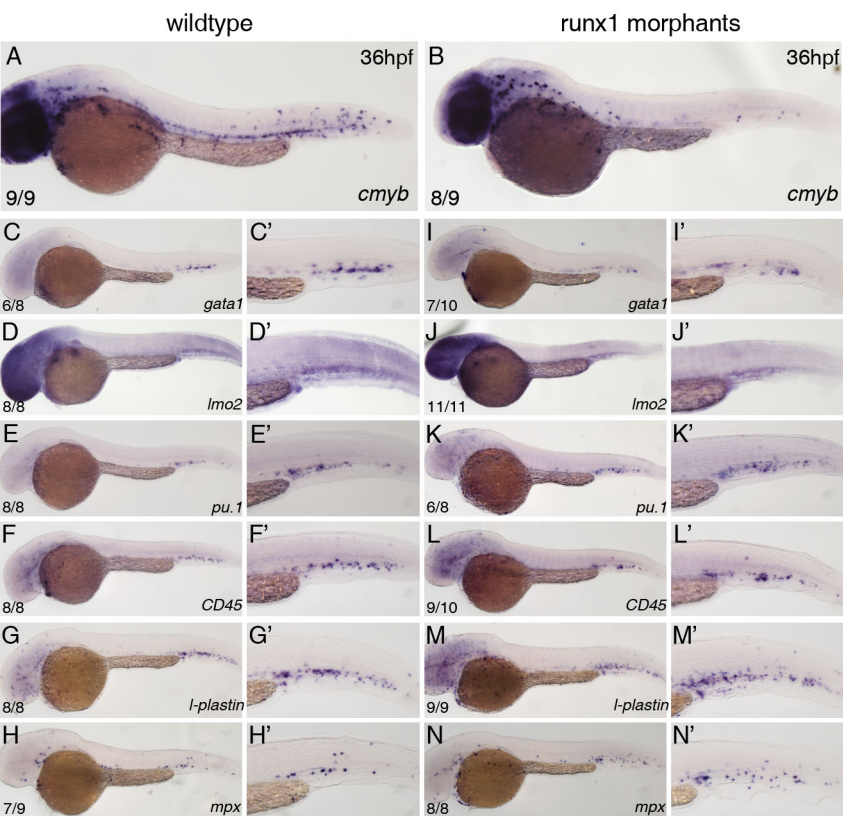


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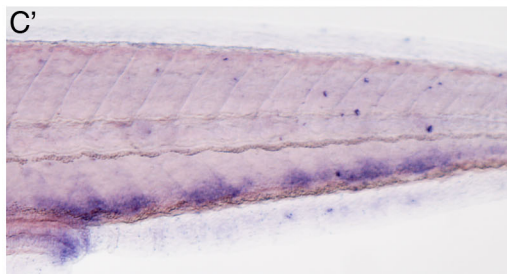
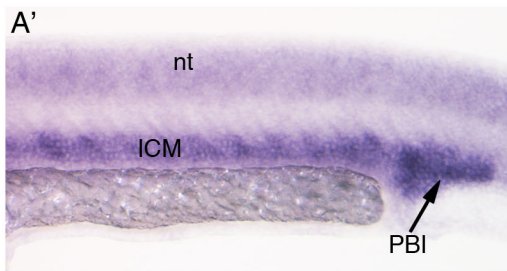
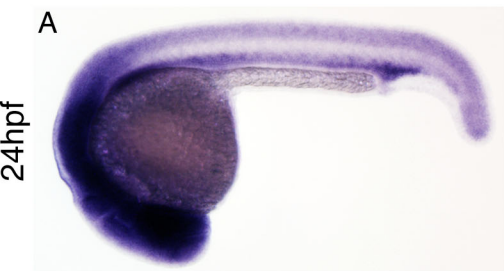


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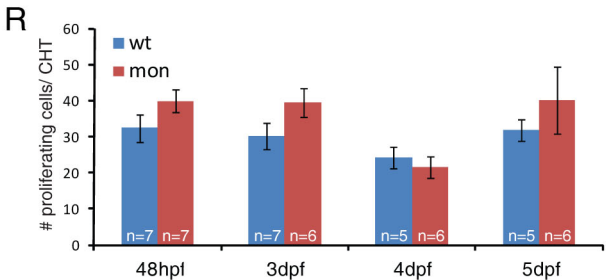
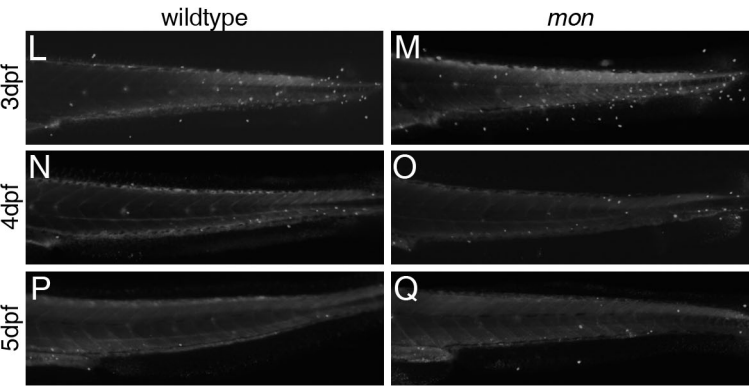
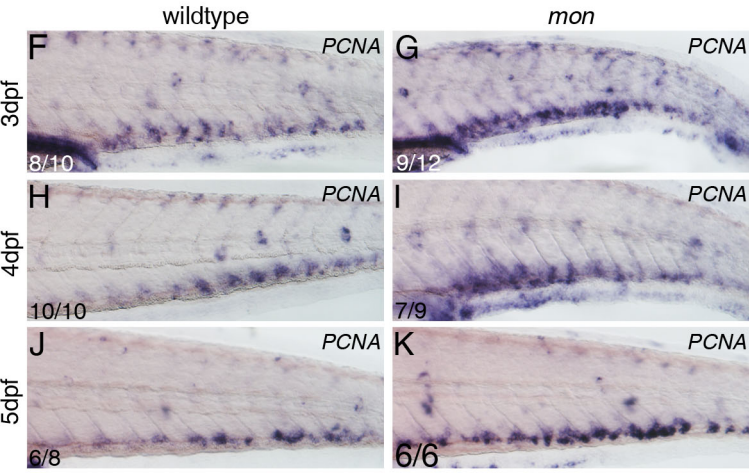
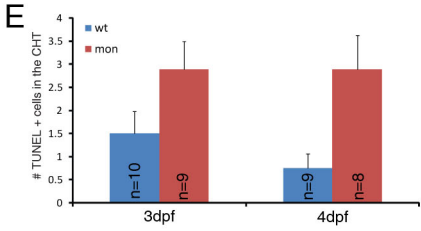
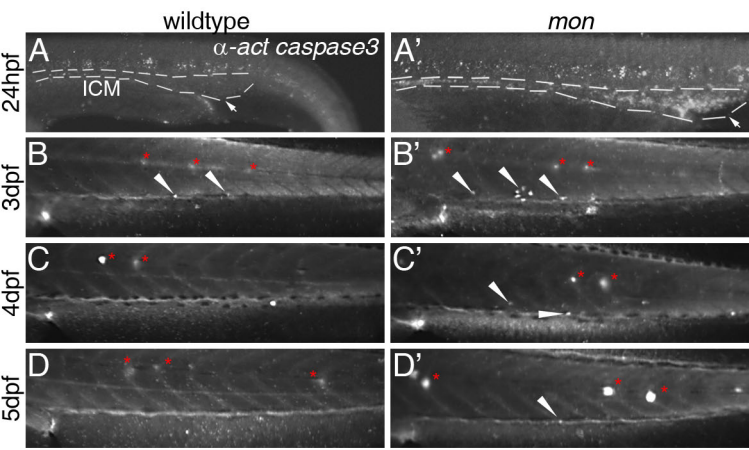
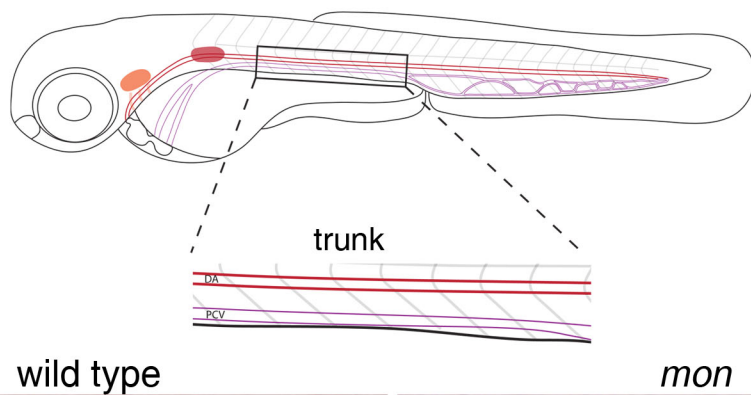


Figure S5

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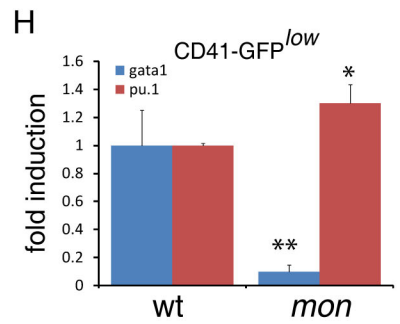
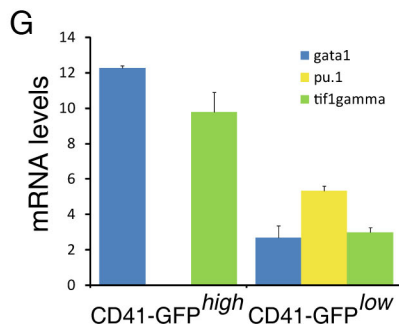
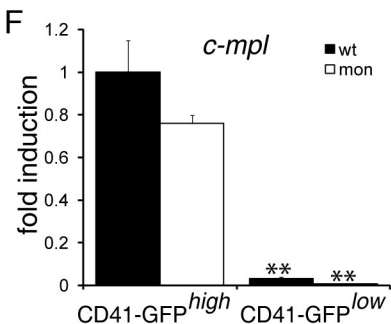
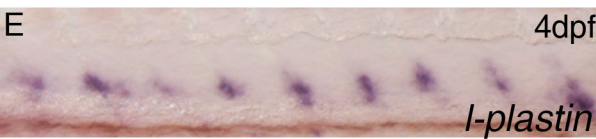
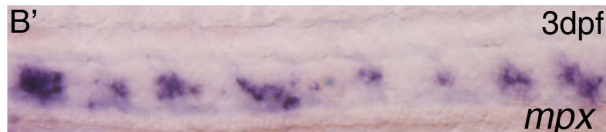
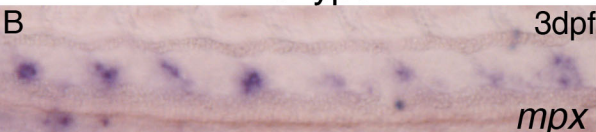
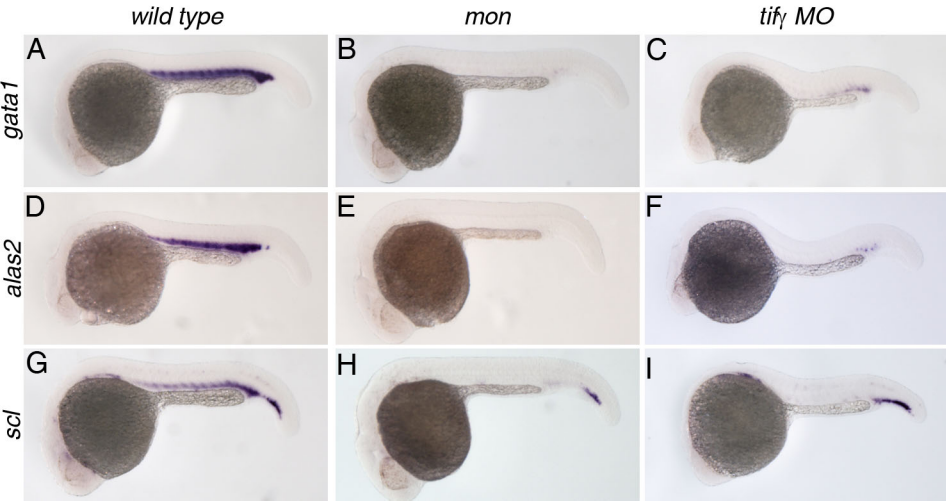
mon

Figure S6



Supplementary Figure Legends

Figure S1, related to Fig.1-2 – Expression of definitive HSC, primitive erythroid and myeloid markers in wild type and *mon* mutants. (A) *gata1* is expressed in the ICM and (B) is absent in the ICM in *mon* embryos at 24hpf. (C) Time course of *rag1* expression in the thymus from 3 to 5 days post fertilization (dpf). Wild type (wt) and *mon* larvae are shown. Double *in situ* hybridization for *runx1* (blue) and *hbbe1* at 30pf in wild type (D, D') and *mon* embryos (E, E'). Double *in situ* hybridization for *ikaros* (blue) and *hbbe1* at 30pf in wild type (F, F') and *mon* embryos (G, G'). We found no difference in *runx1* or *ikaros* expression between wild type and *mon*, while *hbbe1*⁺ cells were clearly absent in *mon* embryos. (H) At 24hpf, anterior *pu.1* expression is equivalent between wildtype and (I) *mon* embryos. (J) o-dianisidine staining in wild type and *mon* at 6, 8 and 10dpf. Note the absence of o-dianisidine⁺ erythrocytes in *mon* as compared to wild type.

Figure S2, related to Fig.1-3 – Runx1 depletion by a *runx1*-targeted morpholino does not affect erythro-myeloid progenitor (EMP) marker expression at 36hpf. (A) *in situ* hybridization showed that *cmyb* is strongly expressed in the dorsal aorta (DA) of wild type embryos. (B) *runx1* morphants show no *cmyb* expression in the DA. *In situ* hybridization for (C, C') *gata1*, (D,D') *lmo2*, (E,E') *pu.1*, (F,F') *CD45*, (G,G') *l-plastin*, (H, H') *mpx* in wild type and (I,I') *gata1*, (J,J') *lmo2*, (K,K') *pu.1*, (L,L') *CD45*, (M,M') *l-plastin* and (N,N') *mpx* in *runx1* morphants. No obvious differences were found for any of the markers analyzed. Panels with " ' " are magnifications of the tail region. Erythroid and myeloid cells present in the CHT are derived from definitive HSCs. (O) Analysis of *hbbe1* expression at 4dpf in wild type and (P) wild type injected with *runx1* MO. (Q) Analysis of *cmyb* expression at 3dpf in wild type and (R) wild type injected with *runx1* MO. (S) Analysis of *mpx* expression at 3dpf in wild type

and (T) wild type injected with *runx1* MO. (U) Analysis of *tif1 γ* expression at 4dpf in wild type and (V) wild type injected with *runx1* MO. The number of embryos analysed are shown in each panel.

Figure S3, related to Fig. 2 and Fig. 5 – Analysis of *tif1 γ* expression. (A, A') – Expression of *tif1 γ* at 24hpf in the intermediate cell mass (ICM) and posterior blood island (PBI). (B, B') - Expression of *tif1 γ* at 48hpf in the head region, the neural tube (nt) and CHT (red arrowheads). Expression was also found in the pronephric duct (pd, white arrows). (C, C') *Tif1 γ* is clearly expressed in the caudal haematopoietic tissue (CHT) at 4dpf.

Figure S4, related to Fig.2-3 – Analysis of apoptosis and proliferation in the CHT of *mon* mutants. (A-D') Detection of apoptotic cells with an antibody against activated caspase 3 (*α -act caspase3*). (A) At 24hpf, no obviously apoptotic cells are present in the ICM (outlined). (A') By contrast, most of the cells in the ICM are apoptotic in *mon* embryos. White arrow points to the cloaca. (B-D) From 3 to 5 dpf, very few apoptotic cells were found in the CHT of wild type embryos (white arrows). (B'-D') Some apoptotic cells were present in *mon* embryos at 3 and 4dpf (white arrows). Red asterisks mark *act caspase3* staining on the lateral line (in wild type and mutants). (E) Quantification of apoptotic cells by TUNEL assay at 3 and 4dpf in wild type and *mon*. At 3 dpf, *mon* mutants showed an average of 3 apoptotic cells (n=9) as compared to 1.5 cells (n=10) in wild type embryos. At 4 dpf, 2.5 apoptotic cells (n=8) were found in *mon* as compared to 1 cell (n=9) in wild type embryos. (F-K) Proliferation analysis by *in situ* hybridization to proliferating cell nuclear antigen (PCNA). *mon* express somewhat higher levels of PCNA in the CHT from 3 to 5 dpf (G,I,K) when compared to wild type larvae (F,H,J). (L-Q) Analysis of proliferation in the CHT from 3-5dpf by immunocytochemistry against phosphorylated Histone H3 (pH3). (R) Quantification of the number of pH3+ cells in the CHT

from 48hpf to 5dpf. Average cell numbers \pm s.d. are shown. The number of embryos analysed (n) is shown in the histogram columns (E, R) or on each panel (F-K).

Figure S5, related to Fig.3 and Fig. 5 – Expression of myeloid markers is increased in the trunk of *mon* as compared to wild type larvae. (A) Schematic representation of a zebrafish larvae at 3dpf, showing a magnification of the trunk region. *mpx* is expressed in the trunk region at 3 (B) and 4dpf (C). Increased expression of *mpx* in the trunk in *mon* at 3 (B') and 4dpf (C'). *L-plastin* is expressed in the trunk region at 3 (D) and 4dpf (E). Increased expression of *L-plastin* in the trunk in *mon* at 3 (D') and 4dpf (E'). (F) Quantitative RT-PCR analysis of *c-mpl* expression in CD41-gfp^{high} and CD41-gfp^{low} cell populations in wildtype or *mon* mutants at 3dpf. *c-mpl* was highly enriched in the CD41-gfp^{high} population. Expression of *c-mpl* in the CD41-gfp^{high} population was set to 1 for comparison. (G) Expression analysis of *gata1*, *pu.1* and *tif1 γ* in CD41-gfp^{high} and CD41-gfp^{low} wildtype cells in the CHT at 3dpf. *pu.1* mRNA was absent, whereas *gata1* and *tif1 γ* were expressed at similar levels in CD41-gfp^{high}; all three genes were expressed at lower levels in CD41-gfp^{low} (HSCs) cells. Absolute quantification is shown. (H) Expression analysis of *gata1* and *pu.1* in wildtype and *mon* CD41-gfp^{low} cells in the CHT at 3dpf. Both genes were downregulated in this cell population, albeit the effect on *gata1* expression was more prominent than that of *pu.1*. Expression of each gene in wt CD41-gfp^{low} cells was set to 1 for comparison. All data are shown as average \pm standard deviations. **- $P < 0.0007$; *- $P < 0.02$.

Figure S6, related to Fig. 6– *tif1 γ* MO knockdown phenocopies the gene expression defects of *mon* mutants. (A) Expression of *gata1* in wild type, (B) *mon* mutants and (C) *tif1 γ* morphants. (D) Expression of *alas2* in wild type, (E) *mon* mutants and (F) *tif1 γ* morphants. (G) Expression of *scl* in wild type, (H) *mon* mutants and (I) *tif1 γ* morphants.