

Supplementary information, Figure S7 The effects of  $cAP2\gamma$  knockdown or overexpression on the expression of cSox2, cKer14 and cSox3.

(A) Diagram of the electroporation procedure for overexpression constructs and siRNAs mixed with pCAGGS-IRES-GFP in chick embryos. The plasmids and/or siRNAs were electroporated into the specific area of the chick embryos epiblast at HH stage 3 according to the experimental requirements. The electroporated embryos were cultured in vitro to the indicated stages and then analyzed.

(B) Control or  $AP2\gamma$  siRNA mixed (50 ng/µl) with pCAGGS-IRES-GFP (0.15 µg/µl) was electroporated into the  $AP2\gamma$  expressing area of the chick epiblast and the

knockdown efficiency of  $AP2\gamma$  siRNA was examined by whole-mount ISH.

(C) Control or  $AP2\gamma$  siRNA (50 ng/µl) (mixed with GFP, 0.15 µg/µl) electroporated embryos were stained using *cSox2* probe.

(D) Control or  $AP2\gamma$  siRNA (50 ng/µl) and mAP2 $\gamma$  (1 µg/µl) were co-electroporated into chick embryos, which were subsequently stained with *cKer14* probes.

(E) Embryos electroporated with GFP or cAP2 $\gamma$  in the anterior epiblast and stained for *cKer14*. Transverse section (red line) of the embryo shows the induction of *cKer14* by *cAP2\gamma* overexpression.

(F) Control or  $AP2\gamma$  siRNA (50 ng/µl) (mixed with GFP, 0.15 µg/µl), pCAGGS-IRES-GFP or  $cAP2\gamma$  were electroporated embryos into epiblast and the embryos were collected for cSox3 staining.