

SUPPLEMENTARY FIG. S2. Typical fluorescence image showing spindles and nuclei in the cytoplasm and first polar body of MII oocyte: for fluorescence staining of spindles, the MII oocyte was fixed in 4% formaldehyde/PBS for 30 min at room temperature. The oocyte was then permeabilized and blocked in 1×PBS containing 0.5% Triton X-100 and 3% bovine serum albumin (blocking solution) for 1h at room temperature, followed by an overnight incubation with a 1:200 diluted monoclonal anti-α-tubulin antibody (Sigma) in the blocking solution at 4°C. Samples were then washed for 1h in the blocking solution and incubated with a 1:200 diluted AlexaFluor® 488 rabbit anti-mouse IgG secondary antibody (Invitrogen) for 1h at room temperature. Samples were further washed for 1h in the blocking solution, and nuclei were stained for 20 min with Hoechst 333232 (1 µg/ mL). After washing three times in 1×PBS, fluorescence images were taken using a Zeiss Axio Observer.Z1 fluorescence microscope to determine the distribution of spindle/nuclei in the oocyte. PBS, phosphate-buffered saline.