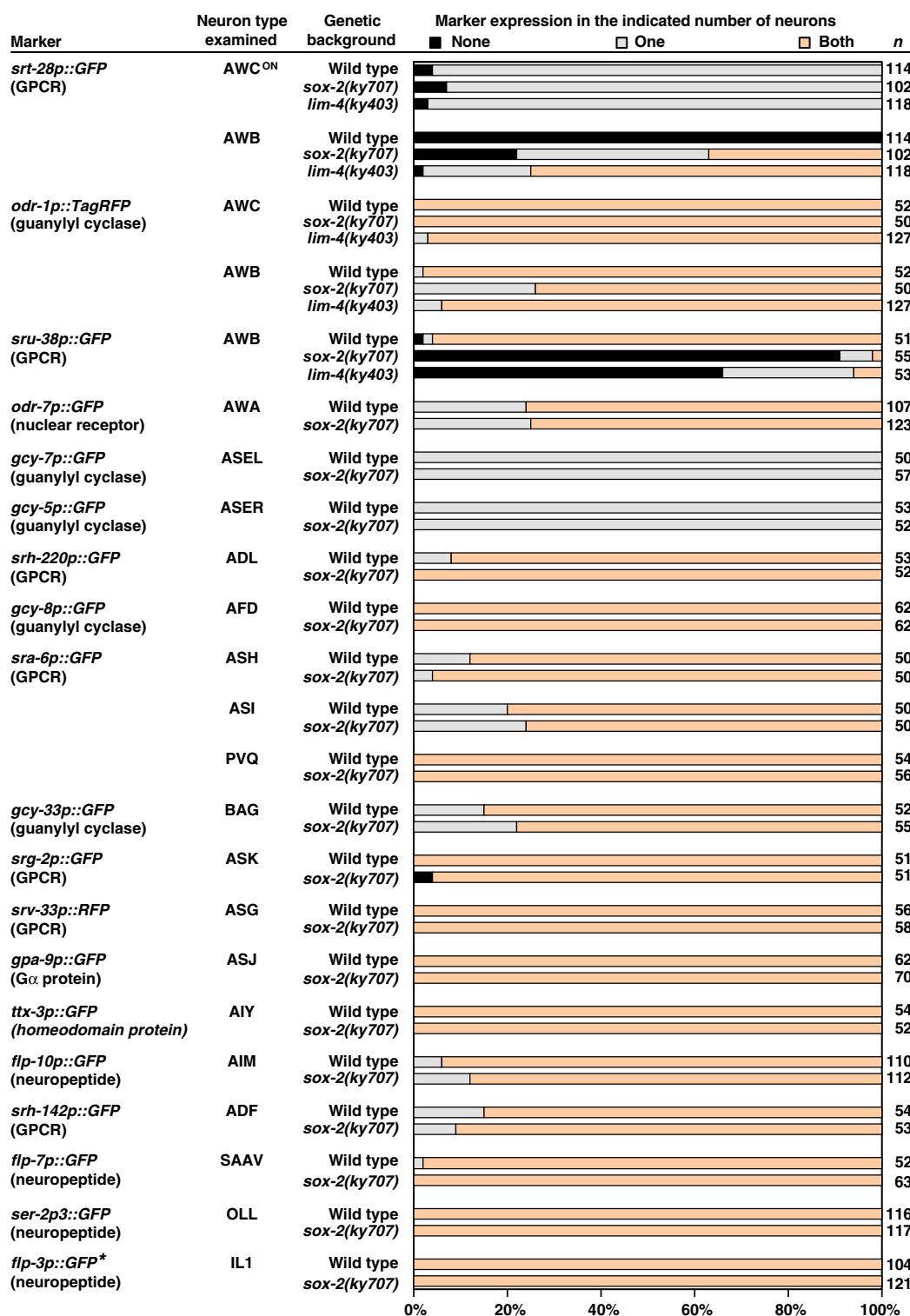


## Expanded View Figures

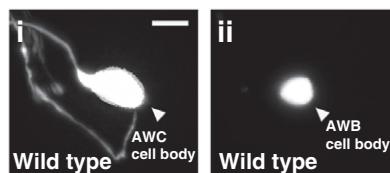


**Figure EV1.** Expression of additional AWC and AWB markers as well as other neuronal markers in *sox-2(ky707)* mutants.

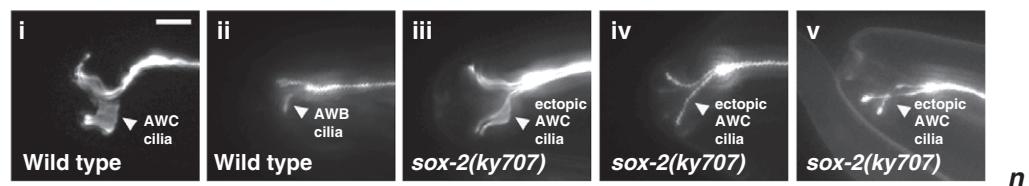
Animals were scored as adults. n, total number of animals scored. \**fip-3p::GFP* is expressed in 3 pairs of IL1 cells in both wild-type and *sox-2(ky707)* mutants.

	<i>sox-2(ky707)</i> G → E *
SOX-2 <i>C. elegans</i>	<b>DRV KRP MNA FMV WSR GQRK KMAL ENPK MHNS EI SK RL GT EWKML S EQEK RP FI DE AK RL RAI HMKEHPDYKYR PRRK TK</b>
Sox2 human	<b>DRV KRP MNA FMV WSR GQRK KMA QENPK MHNS EI SK RL GA EWKL L SET EK RP FI DE AK RL RAL HMKEHPDYKYR PRRK TK</b>
Sox2 mouse	<b>DRV KRP MNA FMV WSR GQRK KMA QENPK MHNS EI SK RL GA EWKL L SET EK RP FI DE AK RL RAL HMKEHPDYKYR PRRK TK</b>
Sry mouse	GHV KRP MNA FMV WSR GE RHKL AQQNPS MQNT EI SK QL GC RWKS LT AE EK RP FF QE AQRL KT L H RE KY PNY KY QPHRRAK
Sox1 mouse	DRV KRP MNA FMV WSR GQRK KMA QENPK MHNS EI SK RL GA EWKV MSE A EK RP FI DE AK RL RAL HMKEHPDYKYR PRRK TK
Sox3 mouse	DRV KRP MNA FMV WSR GQRK KMAL ENPK MHNS EI SK RL GA DWKL LT DA EK RP FI DE AK RL RAVHMKEY PDY KY RPRRK TK
Sox14 mouse	DHI KRP MNA FMV WSR GQRK KMA QENPK MHNS EI SK RL GA EWKL L SEA EK RP YI DE AK RL RAQH MKEHPDYKYR PRRK PK
Sox21 mouse	DHV KRP MNA FMV WSR AQRK KMA QENPK MHNS EI SK RL GA EWKL LT SE EK RP FI DE AK RL RA HMKEHPDYKYR PRRK PK
Sox4 mouse	GHI KRP MNA FMV WSKI E RRKI ME QS PD MHNA EI SK RL GK RWKL L K DS DK I P FI QE AE RL RL KH MADY PDY KY RPRKK VK
Sox11 mouse	GHI KRP MNA FMV WSKI E RRKI ME QS PD MHNA EI SK RL GK RWKL K DS EK I P FI RE AGRL RL KH MADY PDY KY RPRKK PK
Sox12 mouse	GHI KRP MNA FMV WSQHE RRKI MDQWPDMHNA EI SK RL GRRWQL L QDS EK I P FV RE AERL RL KH MADY PDY KY RPRKK SK
Sox5 mouse	PHI KRP MNA FMV WAK DE RRKI L QAF PD MHNS NI SKI L GS RWKA MT NL EK QP YY EE QA RL SK QH LE KY PDY KY KPRPK RT
Sox6 mouse	PHI KRP MNA FMV WAK DE RRKI L QAF PD MHNS NI SKI L GS RWKS MS NQE K QP YY EE QA RL SKI H LE KY PNY KY KPRPK RT
Sox13 mouse	SHI KRP MNA FMV WAK DE RRKI L QAF PD MHNS SI SKI L GS RWKS MT NQE K QP YY EE QA RL SRQH LE KY PDY KY KPRPK RT
Sox8 mouse	PHV KRP MNA FMV WAQAA RRKL AD QY PHL HNA EL SKTL GKL WRL L SE EK RP FV EE AE RL RV QH KK DHPDY KY QPRRRK KS
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Sox10 mouse	PHV KRP MNA FMV WAQAA RRKL AD QY PHL HNA EL SKTL GKL WRL L NES DK RP FI EE AE RL RMQH KK DH PDY KY QPRRRK KN
Sox7 mouse	SRI RRPMNA FMV WAK DE RK RL AV QNPD LHNA EL SK ML GK SWKA LTS QK RP YV DE AE RL RL QH MQD Y PNY KY RPRRK KQ
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Sox15 mouse	E KV KRP MNA FMV WSS VQRR QMA QQNPK MHNS EI SK RL GA QWKL LGDE EK RP FV EE AE RL RA RHL RDY PDY KY RPRRK SK
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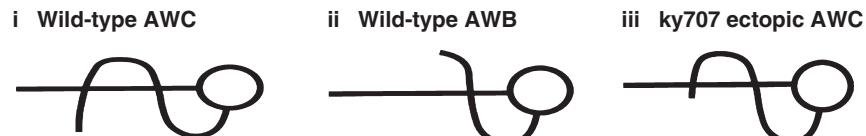
**Figure EV2.** Sequence alignment of the HMG domain of *Caenorhabditis elegans* SOX-2 with HMG domains of human and mouse Sox proteins.Identical amino acids among *C. elegans* SOX-2, human Sox2, and mouse Sox2 proteins are highlighted in yellow.

**A Cell body**

	Oval shape	Round shape	<i>n</i>
<b>Wild-type AWC</b>	100%	0%	57
<b>Wild-type AWB</b>	0%	100%	78
<b><i>sox-2(ky707)</i> ectopic AWC<sup>ON</sup></b>	0%	100%	58

**B Cilia morphology**

	i	ii	iii	iv	v	<i>n</i>
<b>Wild-type AWC</b>	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	53
<b>Wild-type AWB</b>	0%	100%	0%	0%	0%	50
<b><i>sox-2(ky707)</i> ectopic AWC<sup>ON</sup></b>	0%	17%	14%	38%	31%	58

**C Axon morphology**

	i	ii	iii	<i>n</i>
	S-shaped	U-shaped	Other	<i>n</i>
<b>Wild-type AWC</b>	100%	0%	0%	57
<b>Wild-type AWB</b>	0%	100%	0%	78
<b><i>sox-2(ky707)</i> ectopic AWC<sup>ON</sup></b>	0%	55%	45%	58

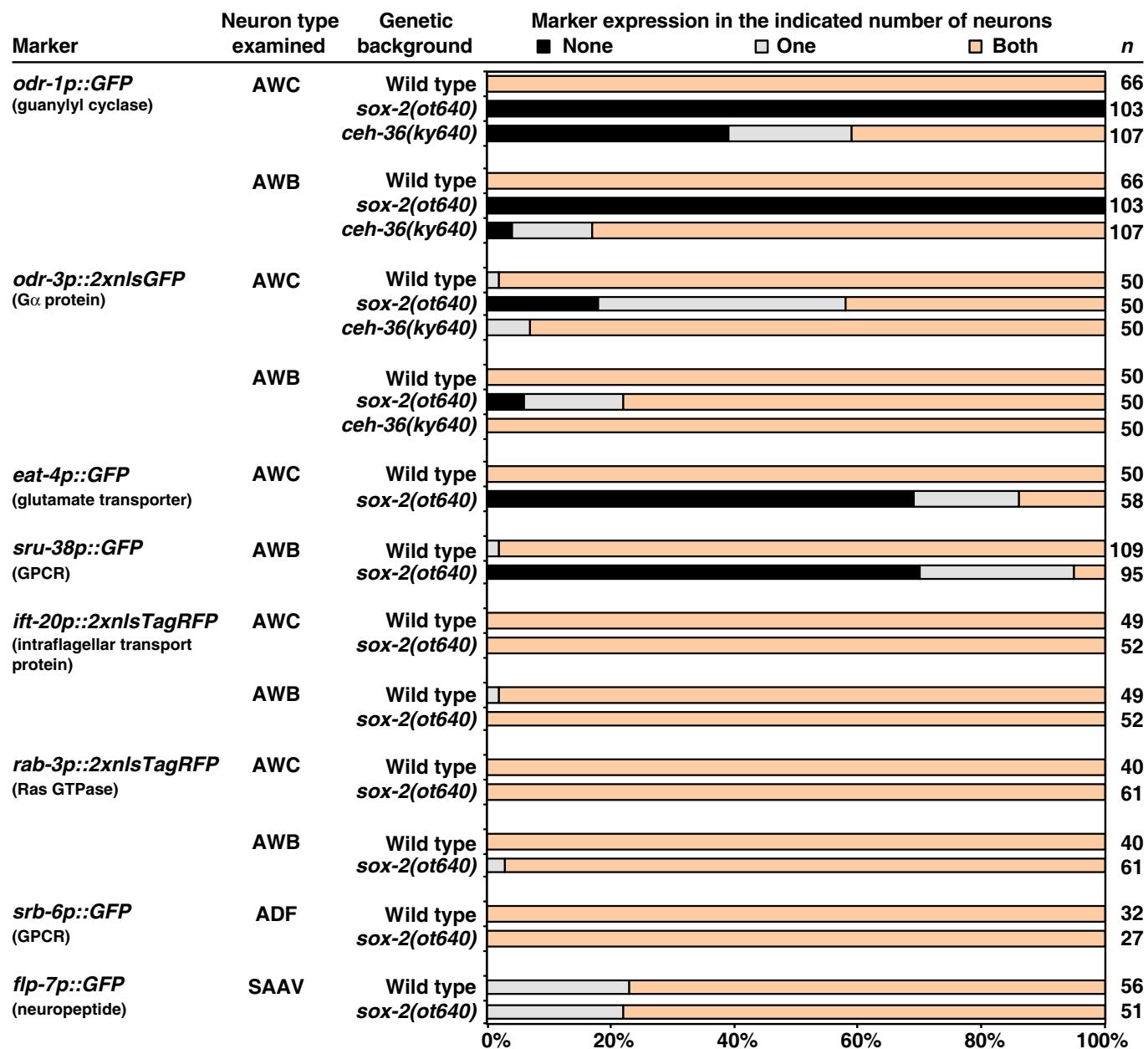
**Figure EV3.** Ectopic AWC<sup>ON</sup> cells adopt native AWC-like axon morphology in *sox-2(ky707)* mutants.

A Wild-type animals have oval-shaped AWC cell bodies (Ai) and small, round AWB cell bodies (Aii). Ectopic AWC<sup>ON</sup> cell bodies are small and round in *sox-2(ky707)* mutants, similar to native AWB neurons. Scale bar, 5 μm.

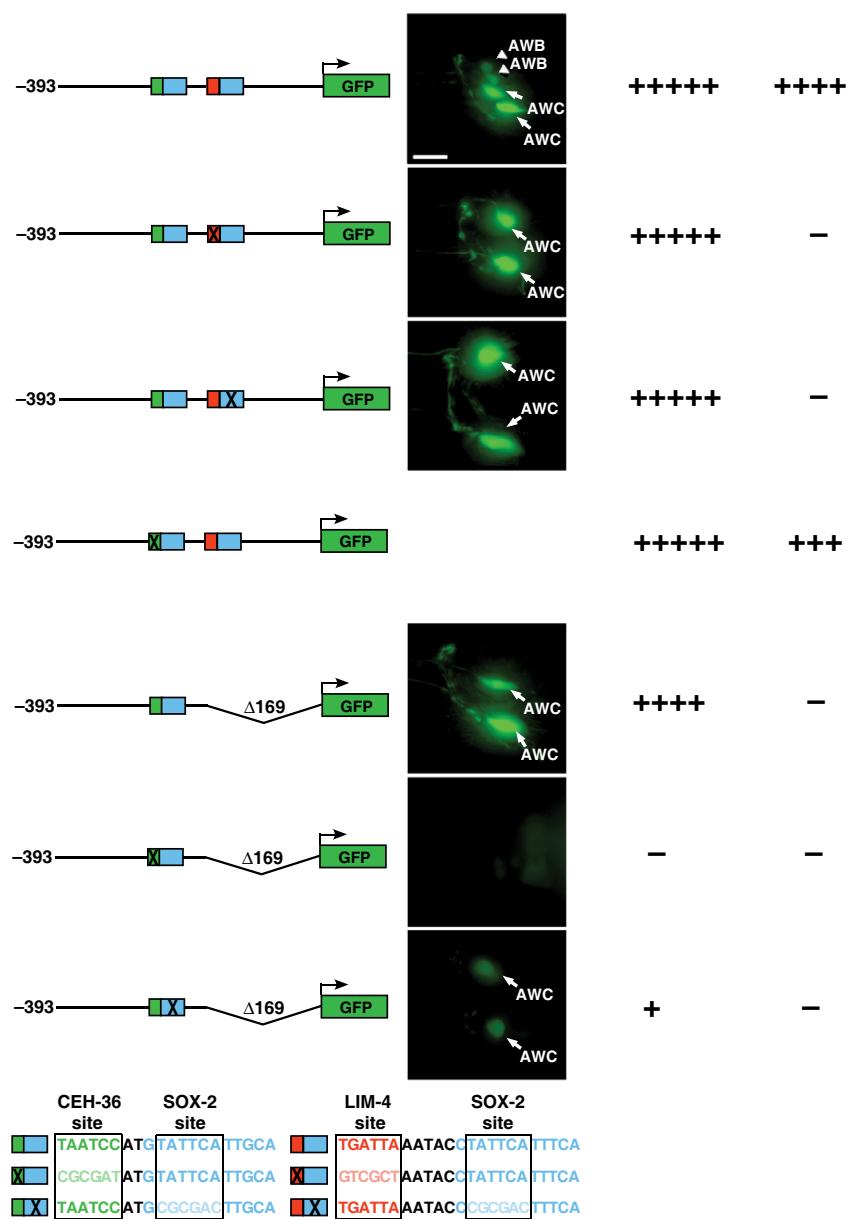
B Wild-type AWC cilia have thick, butterfly-shaped morphology (Bi), while AWB cilia are thinner and resemble a tuning fork (Bii). Ectopic AWC<sup>ON</sup> cilia in *sox-2(ky707)* mutants have either thickened cilia (Biii), prongs that are spread wide apart (Biv), or ciliary prongs that appear to cross over each other (Bv). Scale bar, 5 μm.

C AWC axons are S-shaped (Bi), while AWB axons are U-shaped (Bii) in wild-type animals. Ectopic AWC<sup>ON</sup> cells in *sox-2(ky707)* mutants display native AWC-like axons, which extend beyond the typical AWB U shape but do not continue to form the complete S-shaped morphology of wild-type AWC axons (Biii). To ensure accuracy, axon and cilia morphology of ectopic AWC<sup>ON</sup> was analyzed in the *nsy-5(ky634lf); sox-2(ky707)* mutants that lost native AWC<sup>ON</sup> and had a single ectopic AWC<sup>ON</sup> neuron.

Data information: Anterior is left and ventral is down.



**Figure EV4.** Expression of AWC, AWB, pan-neuronal, ADF, and SAAV markers in *sox-2(ot640)* and *ceh-36(ky640lf)* mutants.  
Animals were scored in the first larval stage. *n*, total number of animals scored.

***odr-1* promoter**

**Figure EV5.** *odr-1* promoter GFP reporter constructs and their expression levels in AWB and AWC cells.

Increased number of (+) indicates higher intensity of GFP expression; (-) indicates lack of expression. Consensus binding sites of CEH-36, SOX-2, and LIM-4 are boxed. Green, CEH-36 site; blue, SOX-2 site; red, LIM-4 site. Lighter shades of green, blue, and red as well as X represent mutated sites. Scale bar, 10  $\mu$ m.