

Supplemental material

Title: Olig2 regulates Purkinje cell generation in the early developing mouse cerebellum

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Supplemental Figure 1:

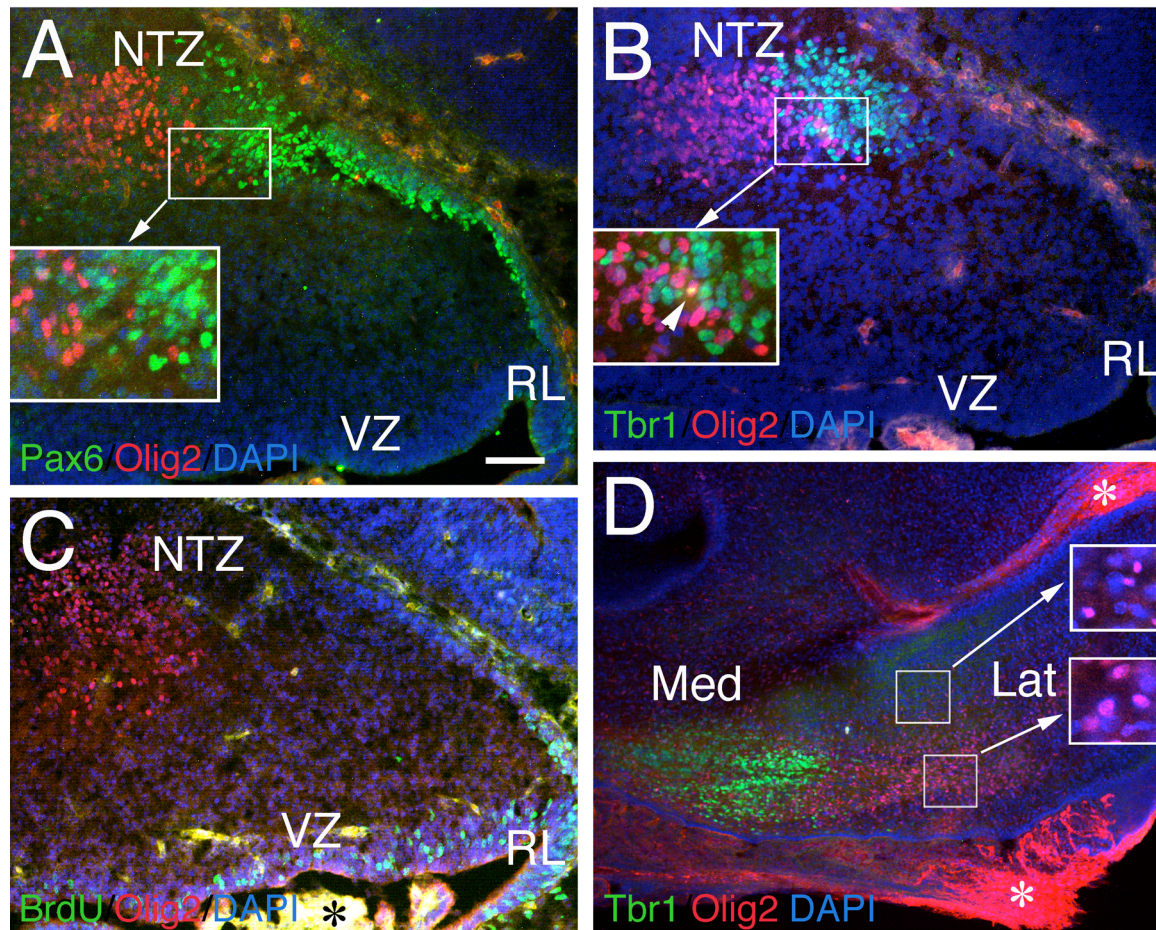


Figure S1. The NTZ $Olig2^+$ cells represent a distinct subpopulation of DCN neurons in the embryonic cerebellum. Mid-sagittal sections of the E14.5 (A-C) and coronal sections of the E18.5 (D) wild-type cerebella are immunostained. The NTZ $Olig2$ and Pax6 (to label GNPs) show a non-overlapping pattern (A). Between the $Olig2^+$ and Pax6⁺ domains, there are a group of cells that are negative for both markers, but positive for Tbr1 (to label a subset of DCN neurons) (B). Higher magnification views of the boxed regions are shown as inserts in (A and B). Although the $Olig2^+$ and Tbr1⁺ domains are closer in position with double positive cells being occasionally seen (B, insert, arrowhead), they are largely non-overlapping. In addition, the NTZ $Olig2^+$ cells are nearly all postmitotic as indicated by their inability to take up BrdU in a BrdU-pulse labeling experiment (C). Notably, a number of BrdU⁺ cells can still be found in the VZ, and yet $Olig2$ expression has already disappeared in this region at this developmental stage. At E18.5, while Tbr1⁺ neurons concentrate to the medial (Med) part of the DCN, $Olig2$ expression is more towards the lateral (Lat) region (D). Two morphologically distinct $Olig2^+$ cells are found with smaller cells being located in the periphery of the $Olig2^+$ domain and bigger cells being in the core (D, inserts). Non-specific staining signals from the choroids plexus and a representative blood vessel are indicated by asterisks in (C) and (D). VZ, ventricular zone; RL, rhombic lip; NTZ, nuclear transitory zone. Scale bar: 80 μ m in A-C; 160 μ m in D.