

## **Supplementary Information**

### **Functional visualization and disruption of targeted genes using CRISPR/Cas9-mediated eGFP reporter integration in zebrafish**

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*pax2a*-target 1

mutation frequency: 6/15=40%

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GCGAGGGGGGATCTGGGAAGGT-----GGGCGGTGGACTGCAGCTTTT -4 (-5/+1)
GCGAGGGGGGATCTGGGAAGGAG-----GGTGGACTGCAGCTTTT -6
GCGAGGGGGGATCTGGGAAGGAG-----GGACTGCAGCTTTT -9
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*pax2a*-target 2

mutation frequency: 1/15=6.7%

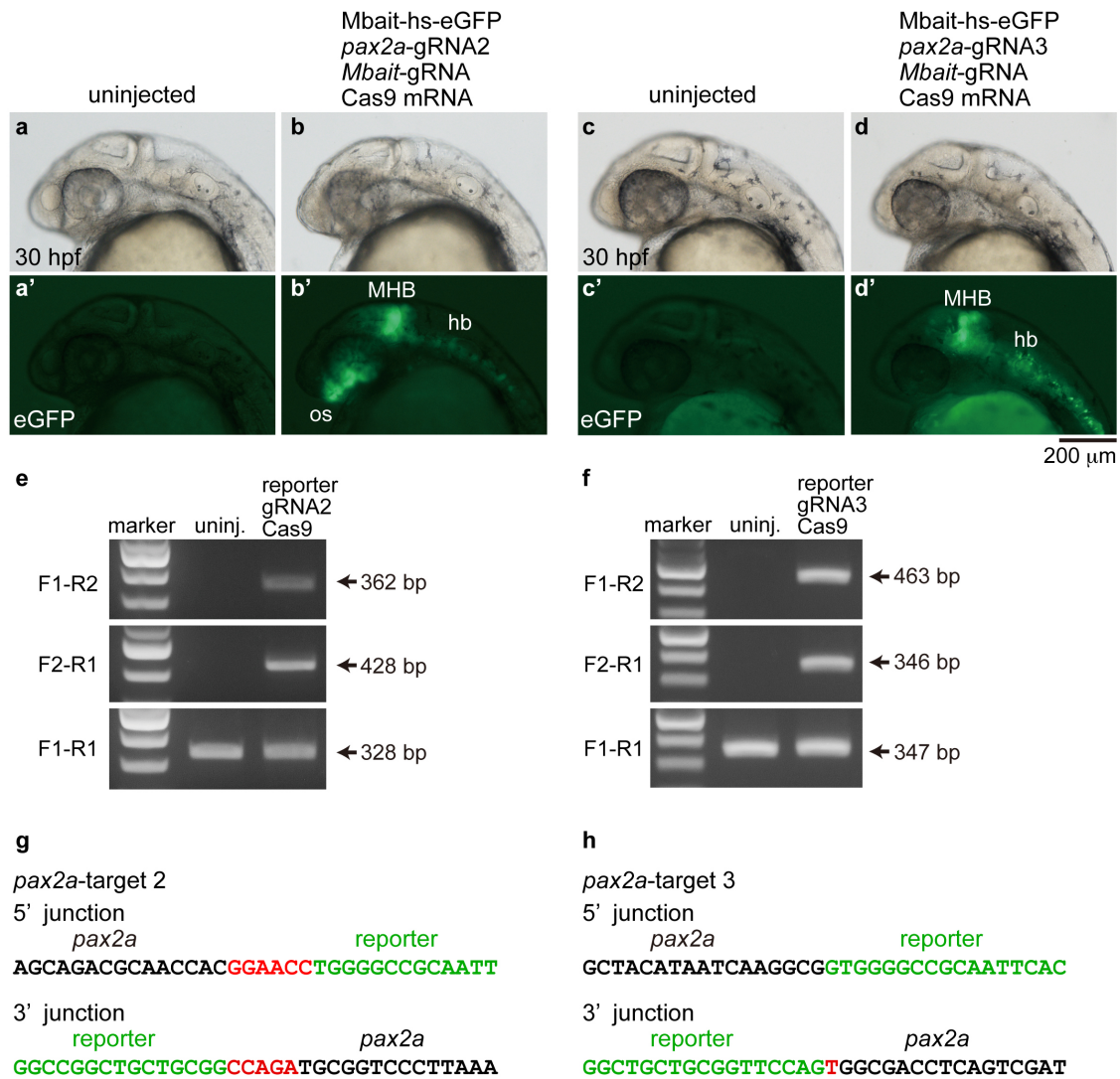
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*pax2a*-target 3

mutation frequency: 1/13=7.7%

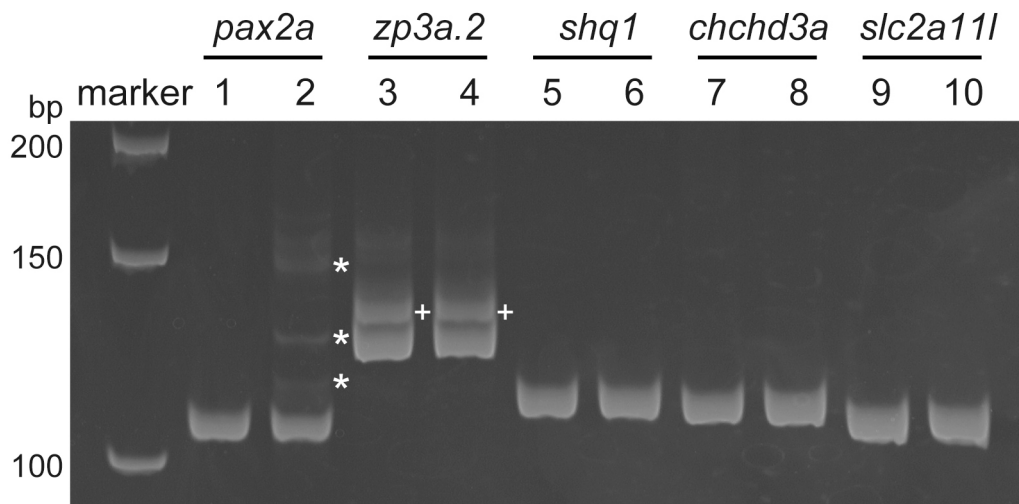
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**Figure S1. Mutation frequencies in the injected F0 embryos.** We evaluated the genome-editing activities of *pax2a*-gRNA1-3 by examining mutation frequencies in the gRNA/Cas9-injected F0 embryos. Mutation frequencies were determined using random sequencing of PCR amplified-fragments from genomic DNAs prepared from the injected F0 embryos. The target sequences are highlighted in yellow. Blue letters indicate PAM sequences. Deleted and inserted nucleotides are indicated by red dashes and red letters, respectively. The number of nucleotides deleted and inserted is indicated to the right with the detection number.



**Figure S2. Targeted genomic integration of the Mbait-hs-eGFP into the *pax2a* locus using the CRISPR/Cas9.** (a, a', c, c') Uninjected embryos. (b, b') An embryo injected with the reporter, *pax2a*-gRNA2, *Mbait*-gRNA and Cas9 mRNA. The expression of eGFP was detected in the MHB, the optic stalk (os) and the hindbrain neurons (hb). (d, d') An embryo injected with the reporter, *pax2a*-gRNA3, *Mbait*-gRNA and Cas9 mRNA. The expression of eGFP was detected in the MHB and the hindbrain neurons. (e, f) The integrations of the reporter in the *pax2a* gene (e; *pax2a*-target 2, f; *pax2a*-target 3) were determined by genomic PCR using the *pax2a*-specific and

reporter-specific primers. Targeted positions of the primers are shown in Figure 1. (g, h) Genomic sequence of the 5' junction and the 3' junction at the integration site in the eGFP-positive embryo. Inserted nucleotides are indicated in red letters. Black letters and green letters represent *pax2a* sequences and the reporter sequences, respectively.



**Figure S3. Off-target effect in the *pax2a*-gRNAs/Cas9 injected embryos.** Genomic fragments containing on-target (*pax2a*) and off-target sites (*zp3a.2*, *shq1*, *chchd3a* and *slc2a11l*) were amplified from genomic DNAs (uninjected, 1, 3, 5, 7, 9; *pax2a*-gRNA1/Cas9-injected, 2, 4, 6, 8; *pax2a*-gRNA2/Cas9-injected, 10) by PCR using individual locus-specific primers (Supplementary Table S4). Heteroduplexes were detected in the PCR amplicon for *pax2a* locus, but not in the PCR amplicons for *zp3a.2*, *shq1*, *chchd3a* and *slc2a11l* loci. Asterisks (\*) and crosses (+) indicate heteroduplexes and non-specific bands, respectively.

## Tg[pax2a-hs:eGFP]

### 5' junction

GACCTCCTCATTGGTGCTCCAGCTTTTTGCGTTGGCGAATCACAAAGTGTGGAATCT

target 1

ATTGCCTTTGTCTGACATGTCATCCATCTCTATGCGAGGGGGGATCTGGGAAGGCGGTG  
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ATGTTTTTTCTGTTCATTTCCGCACGAATCTGACTGTACCCCTCAGACTGTTAGACCA  
GAAACGCTTCTCCACATCGAGGAATTTACACTGCAGTTTCACCAGAGGACACTGGAGCA

target 2      Mbait      donor vector

GACGCAACCACTAATGCGGTGGGCCGCAATTCAGTGGAGGCTTCCAGAACAGTGTAGA  
GTCTGAACGGGTGCGCGCTCTGCTGTATTTAAAGGGCGAAAGAGAGACCGCAGAGAAA

### 3' junction

donor vector

TTATGCTTCCGGCTCGTATGTTGTGTGGAATTGTGAGCGGATAACAATTTACACAGGA  
AACAGCTATGACCATGATTACGCCAAGCGCGCAATTAACCCTCACTAAAGGGAACAAAA

Mbait      target 2

GCTGGAGCTCCACCGCGGTGGCGGCCGGCTGCTGCCGGCTGCTTGCGGTCCCTTAAATA  
TG TAGCTAACAAATTTTACTCAACGACTGATTACGCTAACGTTCCCTGCGTGAAAGATT  
TTTGAGAGACCAGTGCAGGACATGATCTGCACCTGACCAGCCTCGTGTCTTCGTTGAAT  
GGACTGATCAGCACGAGATAAAGTTCGTCGCGGTTGAACAACCTTCTTCTGTACACTGG

target 3

CATTGGAAGCACCGGGCTTTGAACGGATAGCGATCTTTATTAATTTCAATTATAGCTAC  
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### target 1

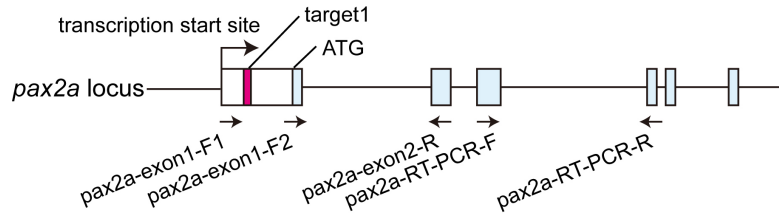
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Tg[pax2a-hs:eGFP]	GGGGATCTGGGAAGG-----CGGTGGACTG -7

### target 3

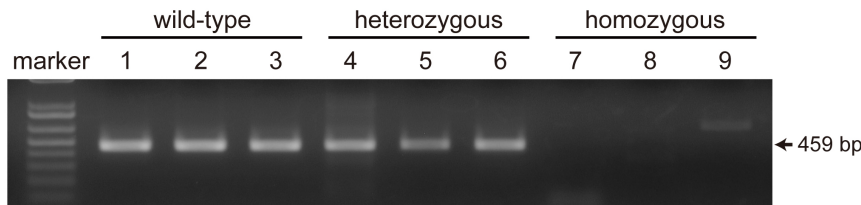
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Tg[pax2a-hs:eGFP]	TAGCTACATAATCAAGGCGAGACGGCGACCT

**Figure S4. Sequence of the knock-in allele in the Tg[pax2a-hs:eGFP] embryo.** A sequence analysis revealed that Mbait-hs-eGFP was integrated into the *pax2a*-target 2. The *pax2a*-target 1 had a 7-bp deletion, and the *pax2a*-target 3 had no indel mutation. The *pax2a*-target sites are highlighted in yellow. The Mbait sequences are highlighted

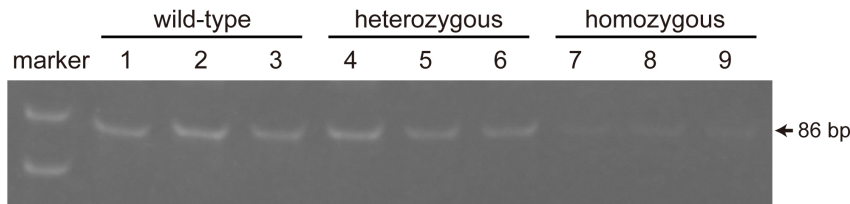
in magenta. Blue letters indicate PAM sequences. A red dash indicates a nucleotide deleted in the target locus. Green letters represent the donor vector sequences.



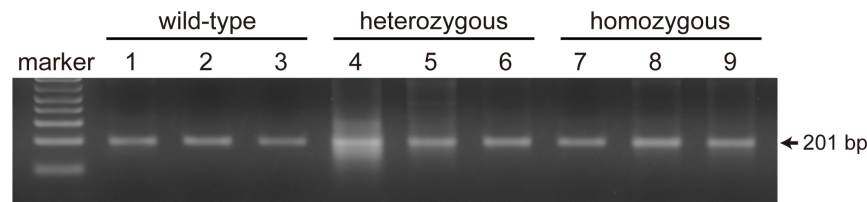
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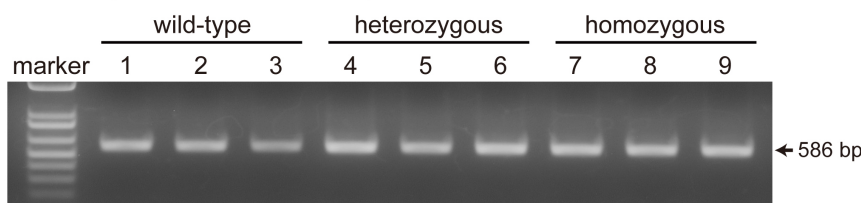
Primers: pax2a-exon1-F2 and pax2a-exon2-R



Primers: pax2a-RT-PCR-F and pax2a-RT-PCR-R



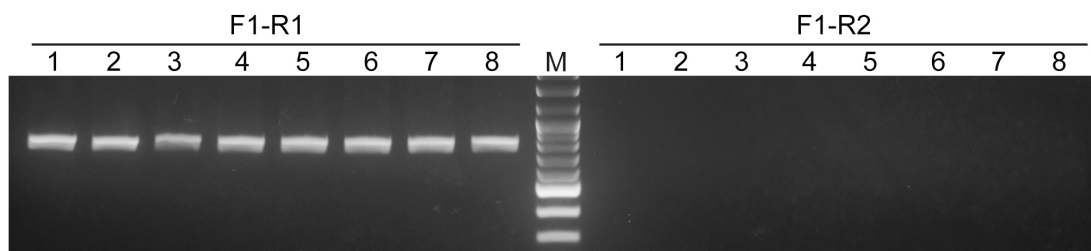
Primers:  $\beta$ -actin-RT-PCR-F and  $\beta$ -actin-RT-PCR-R



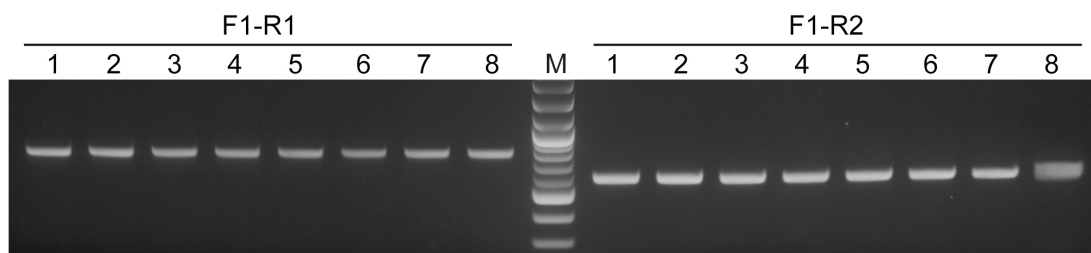
**Figure S5. RT-PCR to detect the *pax2a* transcripts.** A schematic representation of the *pax2a* locus and primers positions (Top). Total RNAs were prepared from wild-type

(1-3), heterozygous Tg[pax2a-hs:eGFP] (4-5) and homozygous Tg[pax2a-hs:eGFP] (7-9) embryos. The *pax2a* transcripts were amplified by RT-PCR using the locus-specific primers (Supplementary Table S4). The *pax2a* transcripts containing exon 1 and exon 2 were suppressed in the homozygous embryos, but not wild-type and the heterozygous embryos. The *pax2a* transcripts containing exon 3 and exon 4 were comparably detected in all embryos. The  $\beta$ -actin transcripts were amplified by RT-PCR using the  $\beta$ -actin-RT-PCR-F and the  $\beta$ -actin-RT-PCR-R primers (Supplementary Table S4). PCR amplicons (86 bp) using pax2a-exon1-F2 and pax2a-exon2-R were separated by polyacrylamide gels, other PCR amplicons were separated by agarose gels.

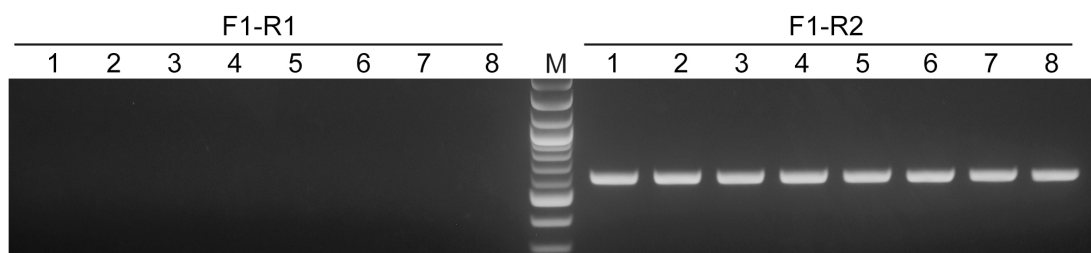
normal MHB, eGFP-



normal MHB, eGFP+



*noi* phenotype, eGFP+



**Figure S6. Genotyping of Tg[pax2a-hs:eGFP] F2 embryos obtained from mating heterozygous Tg[pax2a-hs:eGFP] F1 fish.** We classified F2 embryos into three groups, groups; group 1, eGFP negative (eGFP-) and normal MHB; group 2, eGFP positive (eGFP+) and normal MHB; group 3, eGFP+ and *no isthmus (noi)* phenotype. Eight embryos in each group were genotyped. As the result of PCR-based genotyping using the *pax2a*-specific and reporter-specific primers (Fig. 1a), we verified that group 1 was wild-type, group 2 was heterozygous Tg[pax2a-hs:eGFP], and group 3 was homozygous Tg[pax2a-hs:eGFP]. M; molecular weight marker.

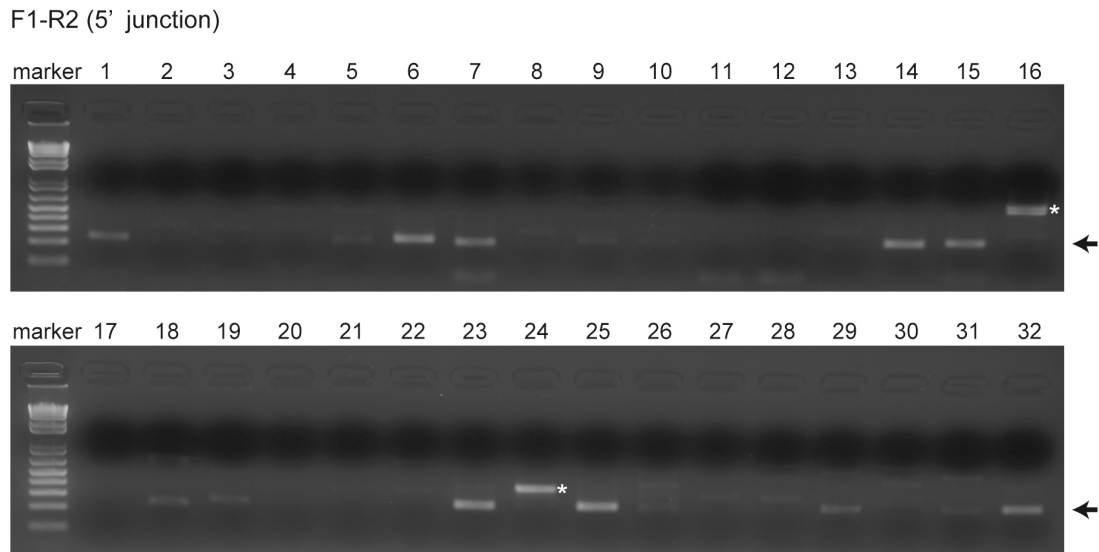


*epdr1*-target

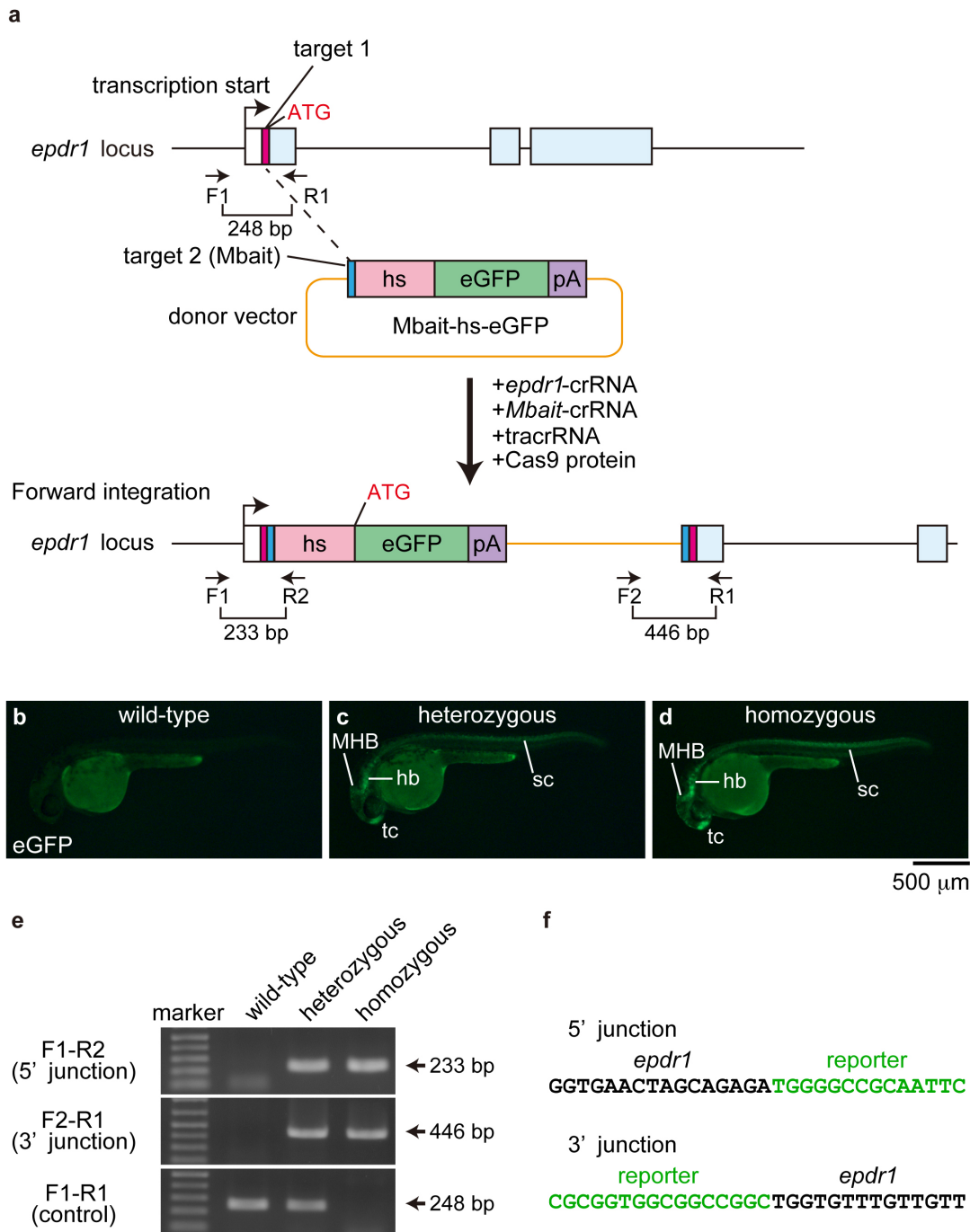
mutation frequency: 16/19=84.2%

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CGTCATTATTGCGGTGAACTAGCAGAGTTGTTGGTGT	0 (-1/+1) x2
CGTCATTATTGCGGTGAACTAGCAGAG---TTGGTGT	-3 x1
CGTCATTATTGCGGTGAACTAGCA---ATGTTGGTGT	-3 x1
CGTCATTATTGCGGTGAACTAGC-----TGTTGGTGT	-5 x1
CGTCATTATTGCGGTGAACTAAC-----TGTTGGTGT	-5 (-7/+2) x9
CGTCATTATTGCGGTGAACTAGCAG-----TTGGTGT	-5 x1
CGTCATTATTGCGGTGAACTAGCAGAGGTGTTGGTGT	+1 x1

**Figure S7. Mutation frequencies in the injected F0 embryos.** We evaluated the genome-editing activities of *epdr1*-crRNA by examining mutation frequencies in the injected F0 embryos. Mutation frequencies were determined using random sequencing of PCR amplified-fragments from genomic DNAs prepared from the injected F0 embryos. The target sequences are highlighted in yellow. Blue letters indicate PAM sequences. Deleted and inserted nucleotides are indicated by red dashes and red letters, respectively. The number of nucleotides deleted and inserted is indicated to the right with the detection number.

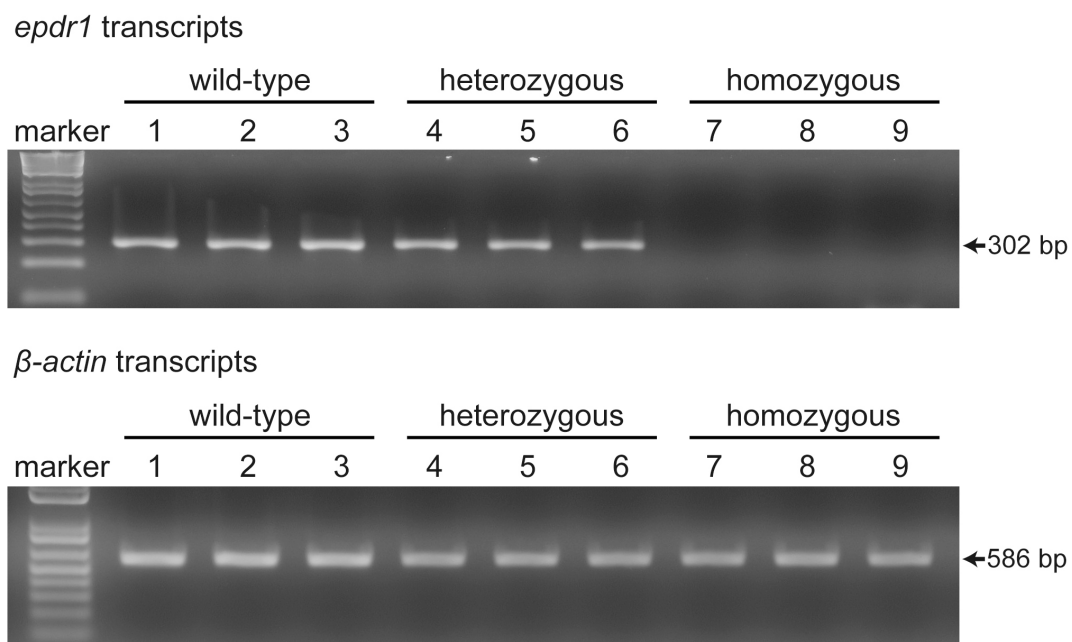


**Figure S8. Genomic PCR to assess the integration events into the *epdr1* locus.** The genomic DNAs were prepared from 32 embryos injected with *epdr1*-crRNA, tracrRNA, Cas9 protein and the donor vector. PCR amplicons using the *epdr1*-F1 and the reporter-R2 primers (Supplementary Table S4), were electrophoresed in 2% agarose gels. The expected bands (around 200 bp) and larger bands (16, 24) are indicated by arrows and asterisks, respectively. Sequence analysis revealed that the expected bands (arrows) contained the donor vector sequences, while larger bands (asterisks) did not contain the *epdr1* genomic sequences. The genomic integration frequencies of the reporter into the *epdr1* locus was 21.9% (7 positive-embryos in 32 embryos)



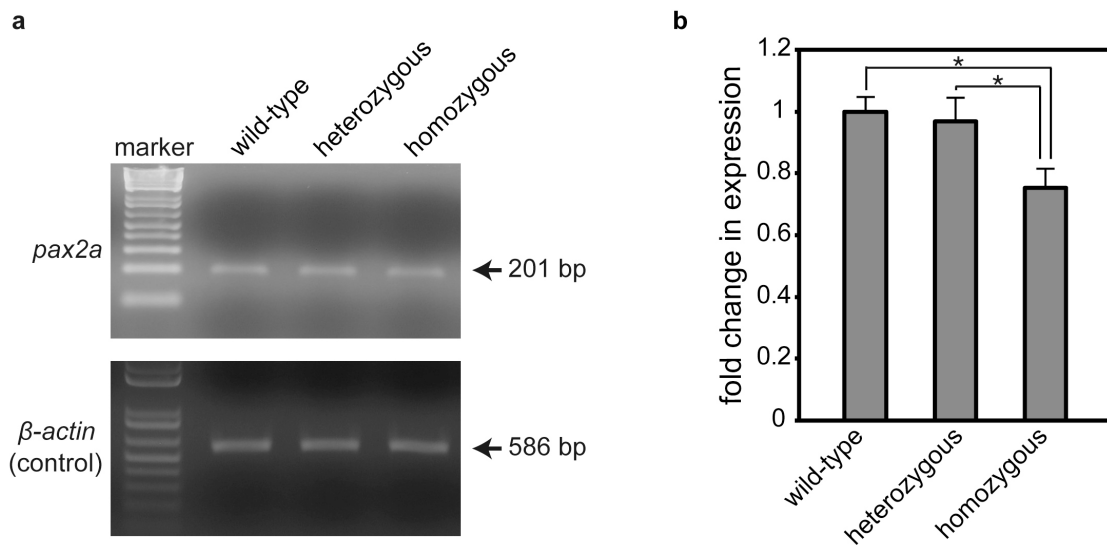
**Figure S9. The eGFP expression in Tg[*epdr1*-hs:eGFP] embryos.** (a) A schematic representation of the *epdr1* locus containing the 5' untranslated region (white box) and the *epdr1*-crRNA target site (pink box), and the reporter construct consisting of the *Mbait*-crRNA target site (blue box), the hsp70 promoter (hs, light red box), the eGFP gene (green box) and the polyA signal (pA; purple box). (b-d) eGFP expression in

wild-type, heterozygous and homozygous Tg[*epdr1*-hs:eGFP] embryos. (e) The integration of the reporter into the *epdr1* locus was determined by genomic PCR using the *epdr1*-specific and the reporter-specific primers. (f) Sequence of the 5' junction and the 3' junction at the integration site of Tg[*epdr1*-hs:eGFP]. Black letters and green letters represent *epdr1* sequences and reporter sequences, respectively.



**Figure S10. RT-PCR to detect the *epdr1* transcripts containing exon 1 and exon 2.**

Total RNAs were prepared from wild-type (1-3), heterozygous Tg[*epdr1*-hs:eGFP] (4-5) and Tg[*epdr1*-hs:eGFP] homozygous (7-9) embryos. The *epdr1* transcripts containing exon 1 and exon 2 were amplified by RT-PCR using the *epdr1*-exon1-F and the *epdr1*-exon2-R primers (Supplementary Table S4). The  $\beta$ -*actin* transcripts were amplified by RT-PCR using the  $\beta$ -*actin*-RT-PCR-F and the  $\beta$ -*actin*-RT-PCR-R primers (Supplementary Table S4).



**Figure S11. Semi-quantitative RT-PCR of *pax2a* transcripts.** (a) Semi-quantitative RT-PCR to assess the *pax2a* transcripts and *β-actin* transcripts. Total RNAs were prepared from wild-type, heterozygous Tg[epdr1-hs:eGFP] and homozygous Tg[epdr1-hs:eGFP] embryos. The *pax2a* transcripts were amplified by RT-PCR using the pax2a-RT-PCR-F and the pax2a-RT-PCR-R primers (Supplementary Table S4). The *β-actin* transcripts were amplified by PCR using the *β-actin*-RT-PCR-F and the *β-actin*-RT-PCR-R primers (Supplementary Table S4). (b) Fold change in *pax2a* expression relative to internal standard (*β-actin*). We performed four times the RT-PCR experiments with triplicate samples. The bar graph shows the ratio of *pax2a* to *β-actin* transcripts. Error bars indicate standard error of the mean (SEM). Statistical significance was determined using Student's t-test. \*P<0.05.

**Supplementary Movie 1** wild-type at 2 dpf.

**Supplementary Movie 2** heterozygous Tg[epdr1-hs:eGFP] at 2 dpf.

**Supplementary Movie 3** homozygous Tg[epdr1-hs:eGFP] at 2 dpf

Table S1. The genomic integration frequencies of the reporter into the *pax2a* locus.

Targeting system	Number of eGFP expressing embryos/Number of the injected embryos	Number of eGFP expressing embryos in the <i>pax2a</i> expression domains/Number of the injected embryos
<i>pax2a</i> -gRNA1 Cas9	145/330 (44%)	4/330 (1.2%)
<i>pax2a</i> -gRNA2 Cas9	67/179 (37%)	4/179 (2.2%)
<i>pax2a</i> -gRNA3 Cas9	42/143 (29%)	2/143 (1.4%)
<i>pax2a</i> -gRNA1/2/3 Cas9	34/42 (81%)	2/42 (5%)

Table S2. Germline transmission of Tg[*pax2a*-hs:eGFP] and Tg[*epdr1*-hs:eGFP].

Knock-in line	Number of fish screened	Number of fish integrated	Germline transmission frequency in F1 embryos
Tg[ <i>pax2a</i> -hs:eGFP]	20	1	46/142 (32%)
Tg[ <i>epdr1</i> -hs:eGFP]	58	1	102/224 (46%)

Table S3. The targeted genomic sequences and oligonucleotides for the construction of gRNA expression vectors.

Targeted genomic sequences for CRISPR/Cas9

Target	Sequences (5' to 3')
<i>pax2a-1</i>	GGATCTGGGAAGGAGGGGGG <u>CGG</u>
<i>pax2a-2</i>	GACGCAACCACTAATGCTT <u>GCGG</u>
<i>pax2a-3</i>	GCTACATAATCAAGGCGAGAC <u>CGG</u>
<i>epdr1</i>	CGGTGAACTAGCAGAGATGTT <u>G</u>

PAM sequences are underlined.

Oligonucleotides for the construction of gRNA expression vectors

Name	Sequence (5' to 3')
<i>pax2a-gRNA1-s</i>	TAGGATCTGGGAAGGAGGGGGG
<i>pax2a-gRNA1-as</i>	AAACCCCCCTCCTTCCCAGAT
<i>pax2a-gRNA2-s</i>	TAGGCGCAACCACTAATGCTTG
<i>pax2a-gRNA2-as</i>	AAACCAAGCATTAGTGGTTGCG
<i>pax2a-gRNA3-s</i>	TAGGTACATAATCAAGGCGAGA
<i>pax2a-gRNA3-as</i>	AAACTCTCGCCTTGATTATGTA

Table S4. PCR primers used in this study.

Primer name	Sequence (5' to 3')
pax2a-target 1-F1	CATTTCCCTGTTTGCATCCCTCCC
pax2a-target 1-R1	GTCAGATTTCGTGCGGGAATGACAG
pax2a-target 2-F1	TTCTTGAAGAGAGGGGGACTGAGAG
pax2a-target 2-R1	TCTCGTGCTGATCAGTCCATTCAAC
pax2a-target 3-F1	CCACTAATGCTTGCGGTCCCTTAAA
pax2a-target 3-R1	AGGGGTCTGCTTTGCAGTGAATATC
epdr1-F1	GCCTCTGAATCGTTGCGTGA
epdr1-R1	GACCCTGATTCTCTGGTTCTGG
reporter-F2	GTTGGCCGATTCATTAATGCAGCTG
reporter-R2	ACACCTCGTCGGGGAAAAAGTCCTG
M13-F	GTAAAACGACGGCCAGT
M13-R	CAGGAAACAGCTATGAC
atp1a3a-F	CGGGATCCATGGGGTATGGACGGTCGG
atp1a3a-R	GCTCTAGAGTAGCCCAGGATGATGGACAG
zp3a.2-HMA-F	TGGTGTCCTGCTGTAGTTTCT
zp3a.2-HMA-R	GGCAACACCGCTGGTTTATA
shq1-HMA-F	AGCTTCTTGTGTGGAGCTCC
shq1-HMA-R	AGCAGAGCGTCTTTCCTGAG
chchd3a-HMA-F	GTTGATCCTCTGCCAGCACT
chchd3a-HMA-R	GTGGTCACTTGCTCAGGGAG
slc2a11l-HMA-F	TGGAGTGACAGCACCCTTC
slc2a11l-HMA-R	CATGCCCACTAGGAAGAGTCC
pax2a-RT-PCR-F	CAGAATACAAGCGGCAAAATCCT
pax2a-RT-PCR-R	CTATAGTGTGTCCCGCTGTGG
$\beta$ -actin-RT-PCR-F	CTGGCCTCCCTGTCCACCTT
$\beta$ -actin-RT-PCR-R	ACAGGTTGGCCCCACCAAAT
pax2a-exon1-F1	CCACATCGAGGAATTTACACTGC
pax2a-exon1-F2	ATGGATATTCAGTCAAAGCAGAC
pax2a-exon2-R	CCATTCACAAACACCCCTCCTAG
epdr1-exon1-F	CGTCATTATTGCGGTGAACTAGC
epdr1-exon2-R	TCCTCAATCTGAAATAGCACTCCA