

Supplementary Figure 1. Differential amplification of reaper (rpr) pulses in salivary glands. Genetic control of the two ecdysone-triggered pulses of rpr in salivary glands at the onset of metamorphosis. (a) The small pulse of rpr at the end of larval development depends on ecdysone but is independent of the canonical regulators of ecdysone-triggered transcription. gPCR analysis of rpr mRNA levels in salivary glands dissected at 0 h PF and normalized to rpr levels in controls. We chose to synchronize the animals at 0 h PF to avoid potential complications with developmental timing in different mutant backgrounds. Expression of either the dominant negative ecdysone receptor (EcR^{F645A}) or rpr-RNAi (using the salivary gland-specific Sgs3-GAL4 driver) effectively disrupts the pulse of rpr. However, glands dissected from E74A, BR-C, or Med24 mutant animals still induce rpr at levels comparable to control glands. (b) The larger pulse of rpr during programmed cell death, at +13.5 h PF, requires the canonical regulators of ecdysone signaling to amplify the transcriptional response. qPCR analysis of rpr mRNA expression from salivary glands dissected at +13.5 h PF. Data was normalized to the small pulse of rpr at -4 h PF in wild type glands (*i.e.* the second pulse is 32.5fold larger than the first one). As with the first pulse, expression of EcR^{F645A} effectively disrupts the second pulse of rpr. Glands dissected from E74A, BR-C, and Med24 mutant animals significantly reduce the induction of rpr; however, rpr is still induced at, or higher than, the levels of the first pulse (y-axis is split to facilitate comparison with the first pulse). y-axis shows relative expression; x-axis shows genotypes being analyzed. Expression for panel a shown relative to control at 0 h PF; panel b shown relative to -4 h PF; all samples normalized to the reference gene rp49. Three biological samples analyzed for each stage; error bars represent standard error determined by REST analysis (see Methods); asterisks indicate p-value <0.05 calculated by REST analysis. Df: Deficiency.



Supplementary Figure 2. Tissue-specific induction of *rpr* **at the end of larval development.** qPCR analysis of paired tissues (dissected from the same animals) at -12, -4, and 0 h PF. All examined tissues (salivary gland, midgut, central nervous system, wing disc) induce the ecdysone primary response gene *E74A*, indicating a robust ecdysone response. However, only the salivary glands and midgut induce *rpr* expression; no significant change in *rpr* levels is observed in the central nervous system or wing discs. The *y*-axis shows relative expression; the *x*-axis shows developmental stage in hours relative to puparium formation (PF). All samples were normalized to the reference gene *rp49*. Expression shown relative to levels at -12 h PF. Three biological samples analyzed for each stage; error bars represent standard error determined by REST analysis (see Methods). PF: Puparium Formation.



Supplementary Figure 3. Ecdysone is necessary and sufficient for dismantling of cortical F-actin in salivary glands at the end of larval development. (a) Ecdysone signaling is necessary for cortical F-actin breakdown. Phalloidin staining, in white, shows that F-actin is dismantled in control glands at puparium formation (0 h PF), but when ecdysone signaling is blocked by salivary gland-specific (*Sgs3-GAL4*) expression of a dominant negative ecdysone receptor (*EcR^{F645A}*), F-actin does not break down. (b) The steroid hormone ecdysone is sufficient to trigger cortical F-actin breakdown in *ex vivo* cultures. Salivary glands dissected at -8 h PF do not dismantle F-actin, shown by the actin marker Lifeact-Ruby in red, after 6 hours in *ex vivo* culture. Under the same conditions, addition of 20-hydroxyecdysone (20E, *a.k.a.* ecdysone) triggers F-actin dismantling. Coculture of 20E with the translational inhibitor cycloheximide (CHX) prevents ecdysone-triggered dismantling of cortical F-actin, indicating that translation of ecdysone-induced transcripts regulates F-actin breakdown. Finally, cycloheximide alone does not dismantle the cortical F-actin cytoskeleton. All samples were cultured simultaneously and repeated in *n*>20; glands were fixed for imaging. Scale bars represent 100µm. PF: Puparium Formation; 20E: 20-hydroxyecdysone/ecdysone; CHX: cycloheximide.



Supplementary Figure 4. Subcellular localization of Dronc in salivary gland cells. (a) Immunofluorescent staining for Dronc protein (anti-Dronc, in magenta) in wild type salivary glands shows that endogenous Dronc localizes to the cell cortex at -8 and -4 h PF; however, this cortical localization is lost at 0 h PF. (b) Immunofluorescent staining for Dronc protein (anti-Dronc, in magenta) in salivary glands overexpressing Dronc (+*dronc*; with *Sgs3-GAL4* driver) shows similar cortical localization of Dronc protein at -8 and -4 h PF; anti-Dronc staining is lost from the cortex and becomes cytoplasmic at 0 h PF. Scale bars represent 100µm. PF: Puparium Formation.



Supplementary Figure 5. *tango7* regulates caspase-dependent F-actin breakdown in salivary glands at the end of larval development. (a) Salivary-gland specific knockdown of *tango7* (using the *Sgs3-GAL4* driver) blocks F-actin dismantling, assayed by staining for phalloidin in white, at 0 h PF. (b) *tango7-RNAi* disrupts cortical anti-cD1 staining, in cyan, at -4 h PF. (c) qPCR analysis of *tango7* mRNA expression levels in control and *tango7-RNAi* salivary glands at 0 h PF confirms that *tango7* expression levels are significantly reduced upon expression of the RNAi. *y*-axis shows relative expression; *x*-axis shows the genotypes analyzed. Expression levels shown relative to control salivary glands and normalized to the reference gene *rp49*. Three biological samples analyzed for each stage; error bars represent standard error determined by REST analysis (see Methods); asterisks indicate *p*-value <0.05 calculated by REST analysis. (d) An endogenously-regulated, superfolder GFP-tagged Tango7 (Tango7-sGFP, in green) shows that Tango7 protein localizes to the salivary gland cell cortex at -8 h PF; this cortical localization is lost and Tango7-sGFP becomes cytoplasmic at 0 h PF. (e) Western blot analysis of Tango7-sGFP (using an anti-GFP antibody) shows a single band at the predicted molecular weight. Scale bars represent 100µm. PF: Puparium Formation.



Supplementary Figure 6. Cortical anti-cD1 staining is a transient event during salivary gland cell death. Timecourse showing staining for anti-cD1, in cyan, in salivary glands every 30 min from +12 h PF to +14 h PF. No cortical or cytoplasmic staining is observed in +12, +12.5, or +13 h PF glands; however, +13.5 h PF glands exhibit robust cytoplasmic and cortical anti-cD1 staining. By +14 h PF, however, only cytoplasmic anti-cD1 staining is visible. PF: Puparium Formation.



Supplementary Figure 7. *dronc* mutant salivary glands do not disrupt glue protein synthesis or secretion. (a) Live imaging of glue protein granules (visualized with Sgs3-GFP) before and after secretion in salivary glands. At -8 h PF, synthesized glue proteins are sequestered within secretory vesicles. At 0 h PF, when glue proteins are expelled onto the surface of the animal, there is little glue protein remaining inside salivary gland cells. *dronc* mutant glands are indistinguishable from control glands. (b) Assay of glue secretion using whole animal western blot analysis. Whole animals of appropriate stages were rinsed and analyzed for remaining glue proteins is completed by +2 h PF. Once again, *dronc* mutant glands are indistinguishable from control glands. All animals carry the *Sgs3-GFP* transgene; DNA stained with DAPI in blue. Scale bars represent 100µm. PF: Puparium Formation.



Supplementary Figure 8. Detailed analysis of F-actin breakdown in rbp^5 mutant salivary glands without luminal expansion. rbp^5 , a mutant of the ecdysone primary response gene *BR*-*C*, synthesizes and secretes very little glue protein; therefore, the lumen does not dramatically expand, enabling high-magnification analysis of F-actin breakdown. (a) Analysis of F-actin breakdown in rbp^5 mutant salivary glands. At -8 h PF, phalloidin staining, in white, shows F-actin in tight cortical bundles. By -1 h PF, the F-actin structure has begun to "fray," and by 0 h PF, F-actin is completely broken down. (b) High magnification analysis of F-actin structure in rbp^5 mutant salivary glands. At -8 h PF, a coronal confocal slice shows F-actin tightly bundled at the cortex, while a slice at the surface of the basal membrane shows a clear F-actin meshwork on the surface of the cell. In contrast, at -1 h PF, F-actin has begun to "fray" and fall away from the cortex, and the meshwork has dissolved. Diagrams on right show focal plane being imaged within the cell; gray circle represents the nucleus. (c) F-actin breakdown is caspase-dependent in rbp^5 mutant salivary glands. F-actin dismantling is blocked at 0 h PF upon overexpression of rpr-RNAi, *diap1*, or *tango7-RNAi* using the *Sgs3-GAL4* driver in the rbp^5 mutant background. All images show phalloidin staining in white. Scale bars represent 100µm. PF: Puparium Formation.



Supplementary Figure 9. Knockdown of *tango7* **prevents salivary gland luminal expansion.** Light microscope images of whole salivary glands during the end of larval development. Control glands are thin, with no luminal expansion, at -8 h PF. By -4 h PF, when glue exocytosis has begun, the lumen begins to expand, reaching maximal size at -1 h PF. In contrast, salivary glands expressing *tango7-RNAi* do not expand at -1 h PF. Puparium Formation.



Supplementary Figure 10. Full-length western blots. For each blot, the red box indicates the portion that was cropped and displayed in the indicated figure.