

1 SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

3 SUPPLEMENTAL MATERIALS AND METHODS

4 Collection and culture of oocytes and embryos

5 Metaphase-II-stage eggs were obtained by superovulating 3-week-old
6 C57BL6/J or B6D2F1 female mice (SLC Japan, Shizuoka) that had been treated with 5
7 IU of pregnant mare serum gonadotropin (PMSG; ASKA Pharmaceutical Co., Tokyo)
8 followed 48 h later by 5 IU of human chorionic gonadotropin (hCG; ASKA
9 Pharmaceutical). B6D2F1 mice were used for all experiments except for RNA
10 sequencing that used C57BL6/J mice.

11 MII eggs were collected from ampullae of oviducts 15 h post-hCG injection and
12 transferred to human tubal fluid medium (HTF) (1) supplemented with 10 mg/ml BSA
13 (Sigma-Aldrich, Saint Louis, MO). MII eggs from B6D2F1 and C57BL6/J female
14 mice were inseminated with spermatozoa obtained from the caudal epididymides of
15 adult ICR and C57BL6/J male mice, respectively (SLC Japan) in HTF supplemented
16 with 10 mg/ml BSA. Before insemination, spermatozoa were initially incubated for 2
17 h in TYH medium (2) or HTF medium supplemented with 10 mg/ml BSA for MII eggs
18 of C57BL6/J female mice or B6D2F1 female mice, respectively, in an atmosphere of
19 5% CO₂/95% air at 38°C. Between four and six hours post-insemination, the fertilized
20 eggs were washed and cultured in potassium simplex optimized medium (KSOM) (1).

21 Full-grown oocytes were collected from ovaries of 8-week old B6D2F1 female
22 mice treated with 5 IU of PMSG 48 h earlier. The ovaries were transferred to
23 HEPES-buffered KSOM containing 0.2 mM 3-isobutyl-1-methylxanthine (IBMX) to
24 inhibit the spontaneous resumption of meiosis and punctured with a 27-gauge needle.

1 Oocytes were transferred to IBMX-free α -minimal essential medium (α -MEM; Life
2 Technologies, Inc., Grand Island, NY) containing 5% fetal bovine serum and 10 ng/ml
3 epidermal growth factor (both from Sigma–Aldrich) to permit resumption of meiosis
4 and cultured for 16 h.

5 **Treatment with DRB**

6 To transiently inhibit minor ZGA, 1-cell embryos were cultured in KSOM
7 containing 80 μ M DRB (Sigma-Aldrich) between 4 and 20 hpi, and the treated embryos
8 were then washed six times in KSOM without DRB and then cultured in KSOM
9 without DRB. For transient inhibition of major ZGA, 2-cell embryos were cultured in
10 KSOM containing 80 μ M DRB between 26 and 42 hpi. Control embryos were
11 cultured in DRB-free medium that contained the appropriate amount of dimethyl
12 sulfoxide (DMSO), the solvent used to prepare the DRB stock solution.

13 ***In vitro* transcription assay**

14 Transcriptional activity was measured by incorporation of BrU into nascent
15 RNA as described previously (3). The plasma membrane of embryos was
16 permeabilized with 0.05% of Triton X-100 (Sigma-Aldrich) in a physiological buffer
17 (4) for 1 min at room temperature. The embryos were briefly washed 3 times with a
18 physiological buffer and the incubated in a physiological buffer containing nucleotides
19 and 0.4mM BrUTP (Sigma) for 15 min at 33 °C. The transcription reaction was
20 terminated by permeabilizing the nuclear membrane in a physiological buffer containing
21 0.2% of TritonX-100 for 3 min at room temperature. The permeabilized embryos,
22 which were fixed in a physiological buffer containing 3.7% of paraformaldehyde (Wako,
23 Osaka, Japan) for 1 h at room temperature, were subjected to immunocytochemistry
24 using anti-BrdU antibody (1:50 dilution; Roche Diagonostic, Indianapolis, IN), which

1 has the cross reactivity against BrU, and Alexa flour 488-conjugated anti- mouse IgG as
2 a secondary antibody (1:100 dilution; Sigma-Aldrich). The fluorescent signal was
3 detected with a confocal laser-scanning microscope (LSM 5 EXCITER: Carl Zeiss
4 MicroImaging GmbH, Oberkochen) and quantified by using a NIH Image program
5 (Image J), as previously described (5).

6 **Immunocytochemistry**

7 **Phosphorylated Ser2 of CTD:** Embryos were fixed in PBS containing 2%
8 paraformaldehyde for 15 min at room temperature. The fixed embryos were
9 permeabilized with 0.5% Triton X-100 diluted in PBS for 15 min at room temperature.
10 The embryos were then washed three times with PBS containing 1% BSA (Sigma), next
11 incubated with anti-phosphorylated Ser2 of Pol II antibody (Abcam, Cambridge, UK,
12 Cat#ab24758 or Cat#ab5095) in PBS containing 1% BSA (1:100 dilution) for 1 h at
13 room temperature. The embryos were washed with PBS containing 1% BSA and
14 incubated with FITC (fluorescein)-conjugated anti-mouse IgM secondary antibody
15 (1:100 dilution; Abcam) or fluorescent-conjugated secondary antibody (1:100 dilution:
16 fluorescein (FITC) AffiniPure Donkey Anti-Rabbit IgG (H+L) (Jackson
17 ImmunoResearch Inc., PA, Cat#711-095-152)for 1 h at room temperature.

18 **SC35 and H3K4me3:** Embryos were fixed with 4% paraformaldehyde for 15 min at
19 room temperature. After being washed with PBS, embryos were permeabilized with
20 0.2% Triton X-100 in PBS for 10 min at room temperature and then treated with an
21 antibody against SC-35 (Sigma-Aldrich, Cat#S4045) or H3K4me3 (Millipore, Billerica,
22 MA, Cat#07-473) overnight at 4°C. The primary antibody was detected following a 1
23 h incubation at room temperature with a fluorescent-labeled secondary antibody (Alexa
24 fluor 488 conjugated anti-mouse IgG (Life Technologies Corp., Carlsbad, CA,

1 Cat#A11001).

2 **H3K9ac:** Embryos were fixed in PBS containing 3.7% paraformaldehyde for 1 h at
3 room temperature. The fixed embryos were permeabilized with 0.5% Triton X-100
4 diluted in PBS for 15 min at room temperature and then treated with an antibody against
5 H3K9ac (1:100 dilution; Cell Signaling Technology, Danvers, MA, Cat##9671S)
6 overnight at 4°C. The primary antibody was detected following a 1 h incubation at
7 room temperature with a fluorescent-labeled secondary antibody (1:100 dilution;
8 Fluorescein (FITC) AffiniPure Donkey Anti-Rabbit IgG (H+L, Jackson
9 ImmunoResearch Inc., PA, Cat#711-095-152).

10 **H3K27me3:** Embryos were fixed in PBS containing 3.7% paraformaldehyde and 0.2%
11 Triton X-100 for 20 min at room temperature. They were treated with an antibody
12 against H3K27me3 (1:500 dilution; Millipore, Cat##07-449) overnight at 4°C. The
13 primary antibody was detected following a 1 h incubation at room temperature with a
14 fluorescent-labeled secondary antibody (1:100 dilution: Fluorescein (FITC) AffiniPure
15 Donkey Anti-Rabbit IgG (H+L, Jackson ImmunoResearch Inc., Cat#711-095-152).

16 **H3K36me3:** Embryos were fixed in PBS containing 5% paraformaldehyde, 0.04%
17 Triton X-100, 0.3% Tween 20 and 0.2% sucrose for 20 min at room temperature. The
18 fixed embryos were permeabilized with 0.5% Triton X-100 containing PBS for 20 min
19 at room temperature and then treated with an antibody against H3K36me3 (1:250
20 dilution: Abcam, Cat#9050) overnight at 4°C. The primary antibody was detected
21 following a 1 h incubation at room temperature with a fluorescent-labeled secondary
22 antibody (1:100 dilution: Fluorescein (FITC) AffiniPure Donkey Anti-Rabbit IgG (H+L,
23 Jackson ImmunoResearch Inc., Cat#711-095-152).

24 In each case, the cells mounted on a glass slide using VectaShield (Vector

1 Laboratories, Burlingame, CA, USA) supplemented with 3 mg/ml
2 4',6-diamidino-2-phenylindole (DAPI; Dojindo Laboratories, Kumamoto, Japan).
3 Confocal digital images were collected using a confocal laser-scanning microscope
4 (LSM 5 EXCITER: Carl Zeiss MicroImaging GmbH, Oberkochen).

5 **Fluorescence recovery after photobleaching (FRAP)**

6 FRAP analysis was conducted as described previously with slight
7 modification (6). Briefly, after photobleaching, images were taken at 5 s intervals for
8 60 s. The mobile fraction (MF), an index of the rate of fluorescence recovery, was
9 calculated using the following equation (38-40) : $MF = (F_{end} - F_{post}) / (F_{pre} - F_{post})$, where
10 F_{end} is the relative intensity of fluorescence at the endpoint, F_{post} is immediately after
11 photo-bleaching, and F_{pre} is before photo-bleaching.

12 **RNA extraction and preparation of the RNA-seq library**

13 Two-cell C57BL/6J embryos transiently treated with DRB were collected 32 hpi
14 and subjected to RNA extraction for RNA sequencing. Total RNA was extracted from
15 4,500 of embryos using Isogen (Nippon Gene, Tokyo, Japan) according to the
16 manufacturer's instructions. RNA quality was verified on a Bioanalyzer RNA Pico
17 Chip (Agilent Technologies, Santa Clara, CA). RNA-Seq library was generated as
18 described previously (7) using the mRNA-Seq Sample Preparation Kit (Illumina, San
19 Diego, CA) without selection of polyadenylated RNA. The RNA-seq library
20 sequenced using a Genome Analyzer Iix (Illumina) and 35-nt single-end reads were
21 mapped on the mouse genome reference sequence (mm9, UCSC Genome Browser)
22 allowing for no mismatch using the ELAND software. The uniquely mapped reads on
23 RefSeq genes were used to calculate RPKM values. The sequencing data have been
24 deposited in the DDBJ Sequence Read Archive (DRA)

1 (<http://trace.ddbj.nig.ac.jp/dra/index.html>) under accession number DRA006557. RNA
2 sequencing data of oocytes, 1-cell and 2-cell stage embryos treated without DRB were
3 obtained from our previous work (7).

4 **Reverse transcription and polymerase chain reaction**

5 One hundred MII eggs or embryos were transferred to Isogen (Nippon Gene)
6 including 50 pg of rabbit globin mRNA as an external control and total RNA isolated
7 according to the manufacturer's instructions. Total RNA was treated with RQ1
8 RNase-Free DNase (Promega, Madison, WI) and prepared for reverse-transcription
9 using a PrimeScript RT-PCR kit (Takara Bio Inc., Otsu), according to the
10 manufacturer's instructions. PCR was performed in a thermal cycler (iCycler; Bio-Rad,
11 Berkeley, CA) using Ex Taq DNA polymerase (Takara) and following primer pairs:

12 Rabbit *α -globin*: 5'-GTGGGACAGGAGCTTGAAAT-3' and

13 5'-GCAGCCACGGTGGCGAGTAT-3', and *MuERV-L*:

14 5'-TTCTCAAGGCCACCAATAGT-3' and

15 5'-GACACCTTTTTTAACTATGCGAGCT-3', and *Nid2*:

16 5'-CACCGAGGACAGTTTCCATT-3' and 5'-CCAGTTACCAGGTGCTGGAT-3', and

17 *Mfsd7c*: 5'-GTCCTTGCTTGGTCTCTTGC-3' and

18 5'-CTTCCTCTCGTGACCCTCAG-3', and *Klf5*:

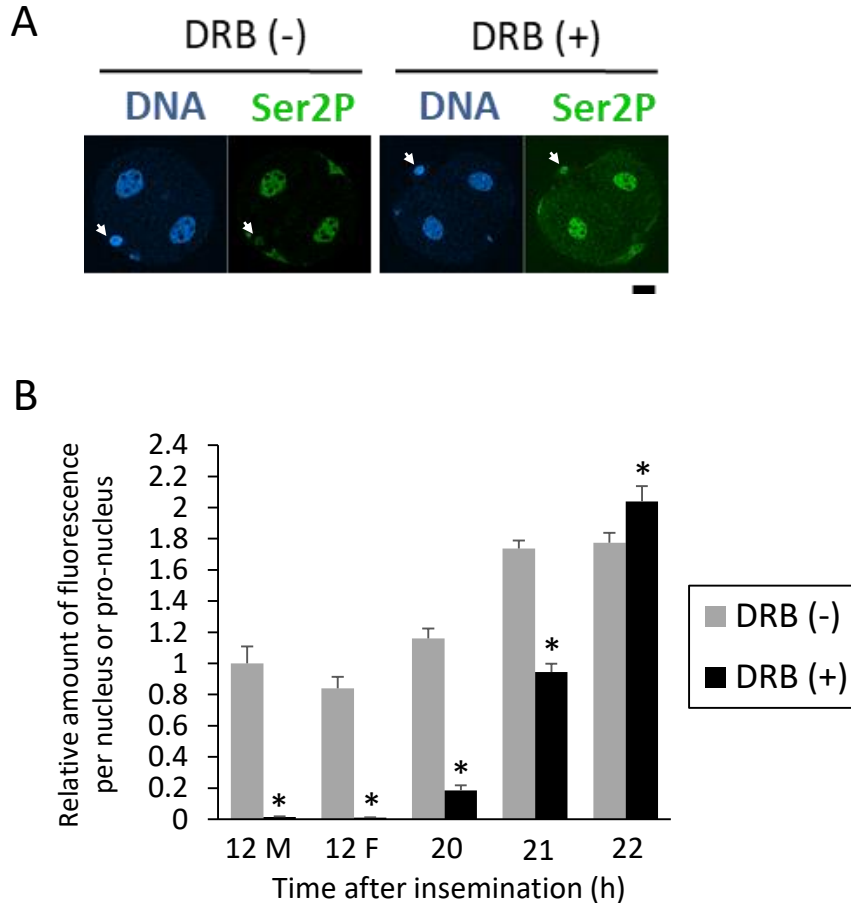
19 5'-ACGTACACCATGCCAAGTCA-3' and 5'-GTGGGAGAGTTGGCGAATTA-3'.

20 The PCR conditions were as follows: Rabbit *α -globin*: 26 cycles of 95°C for 30 s, 58°C
21 for 30 s, and 72°C for 60 s. *Mfsd7c*: 38 cycles of 95°C for 30 s, 59°C for 30 s, and 72°C
22 for 60 s. *MuERV-L*, *Nid2* and *Klf5*: 38 cycles of 95°C for 30 s, 60°C for 30 s, and 72°C
23 for 60 s.

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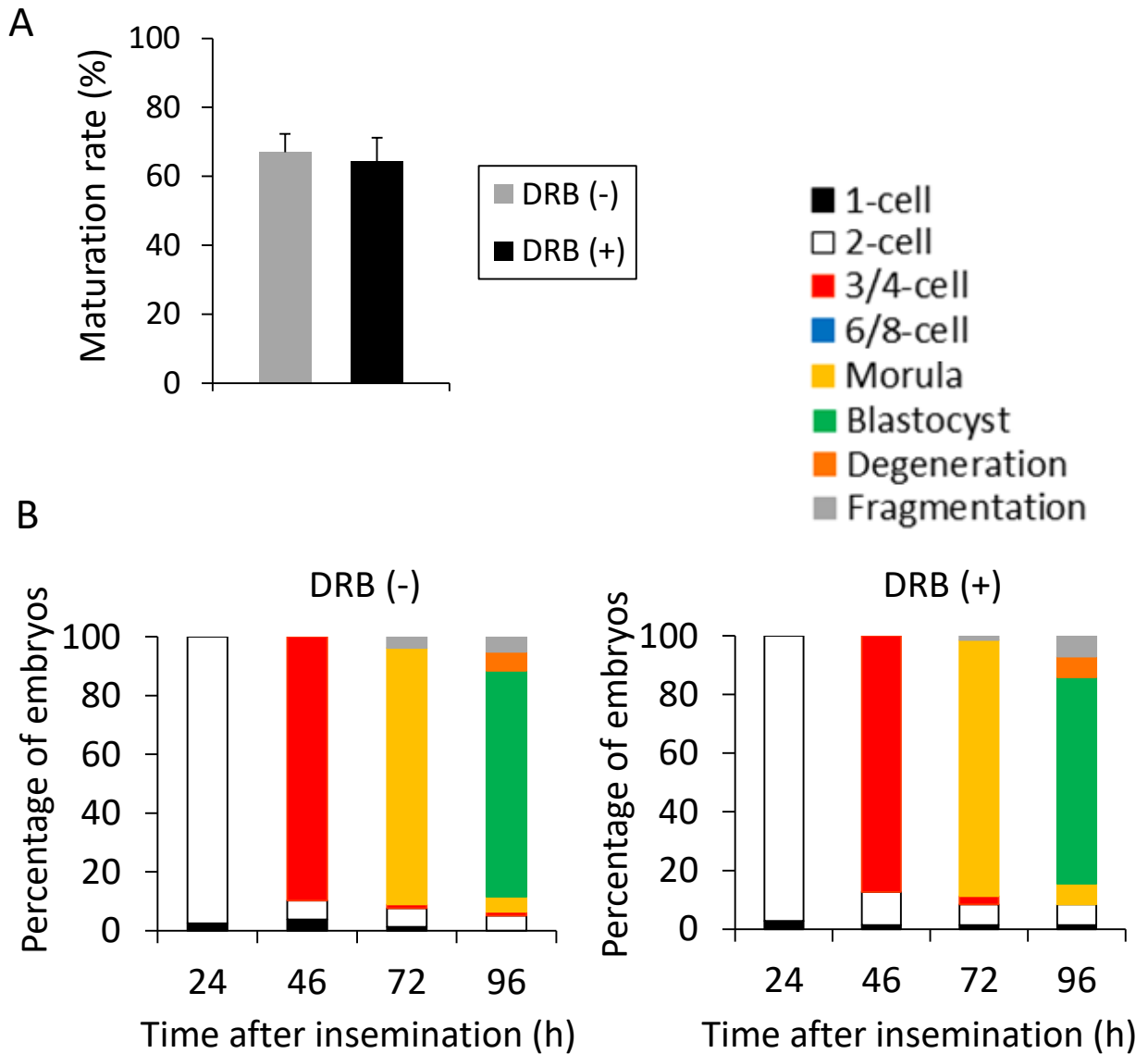
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Supplemental Fig. S1



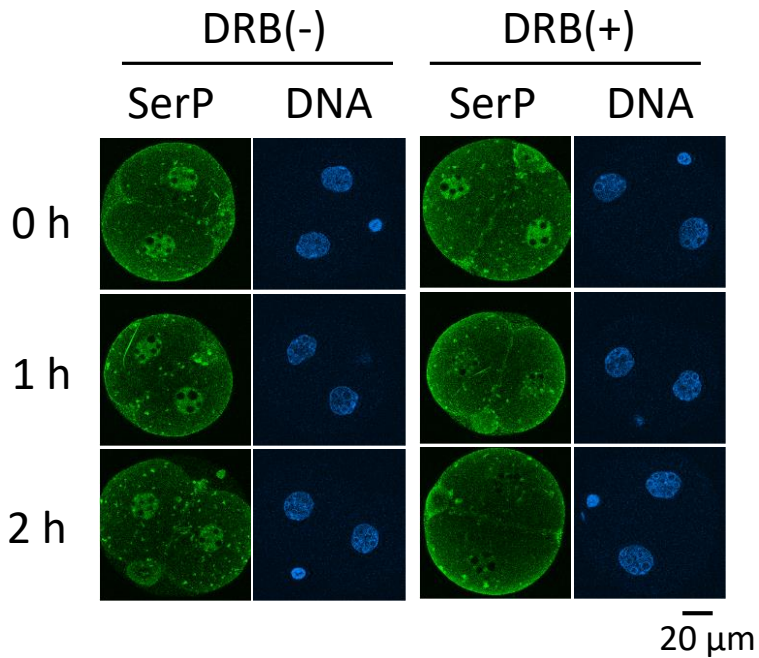
Supplemental Figure S1. Reversible effect of DRB on phosphorylation of RNA polymerase II. (A) Recovery of phosphorylation of RNA polymerase II on the C-terminal Ser2 (Ser2P). Embryos were cultured in DRB-containing medium between 4 and 20 hpi and then transferred to DRB-free medium. The embryos were collected 22 hpi. Scale bar corresponds to 20 μm . Arrowheads indicate polar body. (B) Quantification of Ser2P signal in the images of immunocytochemistry in (A) and Fig.1C. More than 20 pronuclei and nuclei were examined for each sample.

Supplemental Fig. S2



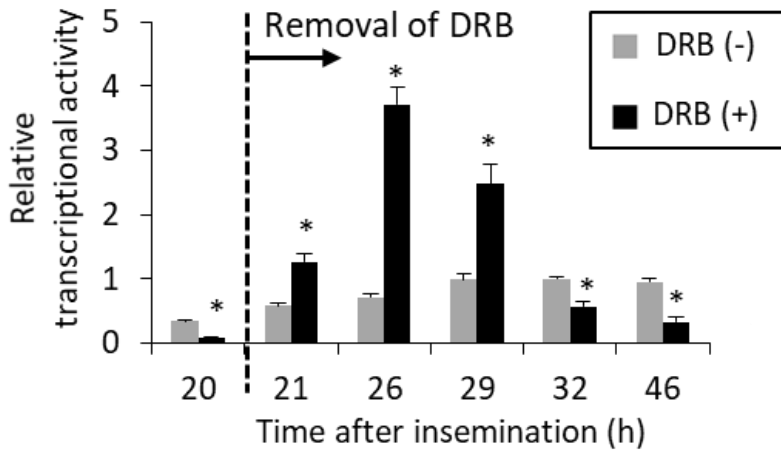
Supplemental Figure S2. Assessment of toxicity of DRB in oocytes. Full-grown oocytes were cultured in medium containing DRB during meiotic maturation for 16 h and then transferred to DRB-free medium. Oocytes that had reached MII were fertilized *in vitro* and observed for preimplantation development. **(A)** Percentage of matured oocytes extruding first polar bodies after incubation for 16 h. DRB (-) indicates oocytes cultured in medium containing dimethyl sulfoxide instead of DRB. The experiments were performed three times and >50 oocytes were analyzed for each experiment. **(B)** Development of embryos that had been cultured with DRB for 16 h before being fertilized *in vitro*. The y-axis shows percentages of embryos that developed to the indicated developmental stages. The experiment was performed three times and >17 embryos were analyzed for each experiment.

Supplemental Fig. S3



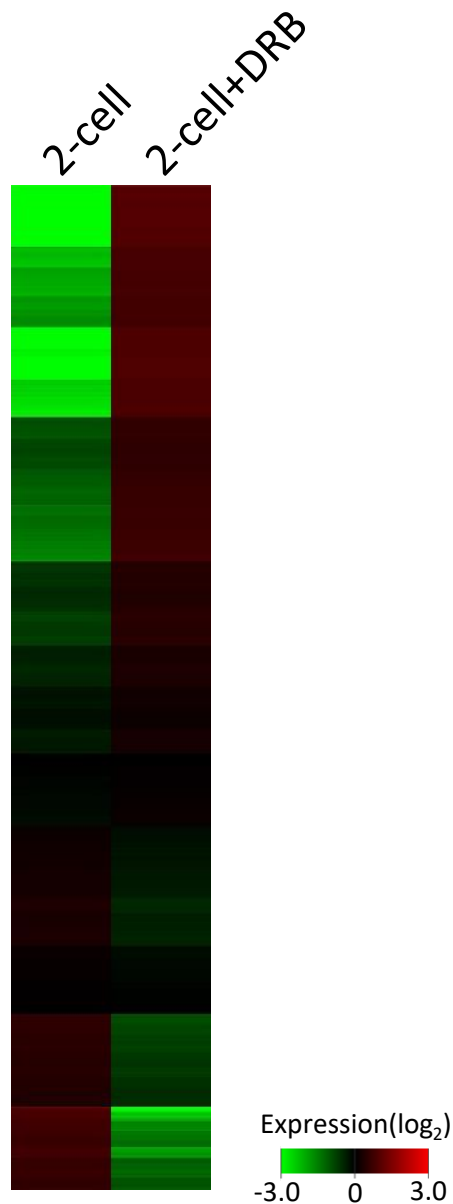
Supplemental Figure S3. Inhibition of major ZGA by treatment of 2-cell embryos with DRB. Two-cell embryos were transferred to medium containing DRB. One and 2 h after being transferred, the embryos were collected for detection of phosphorylated RNA polymerase II on the C-terminal Ser2 (Ser2P). Bar = 20 μm

Supplemental Fig. S4



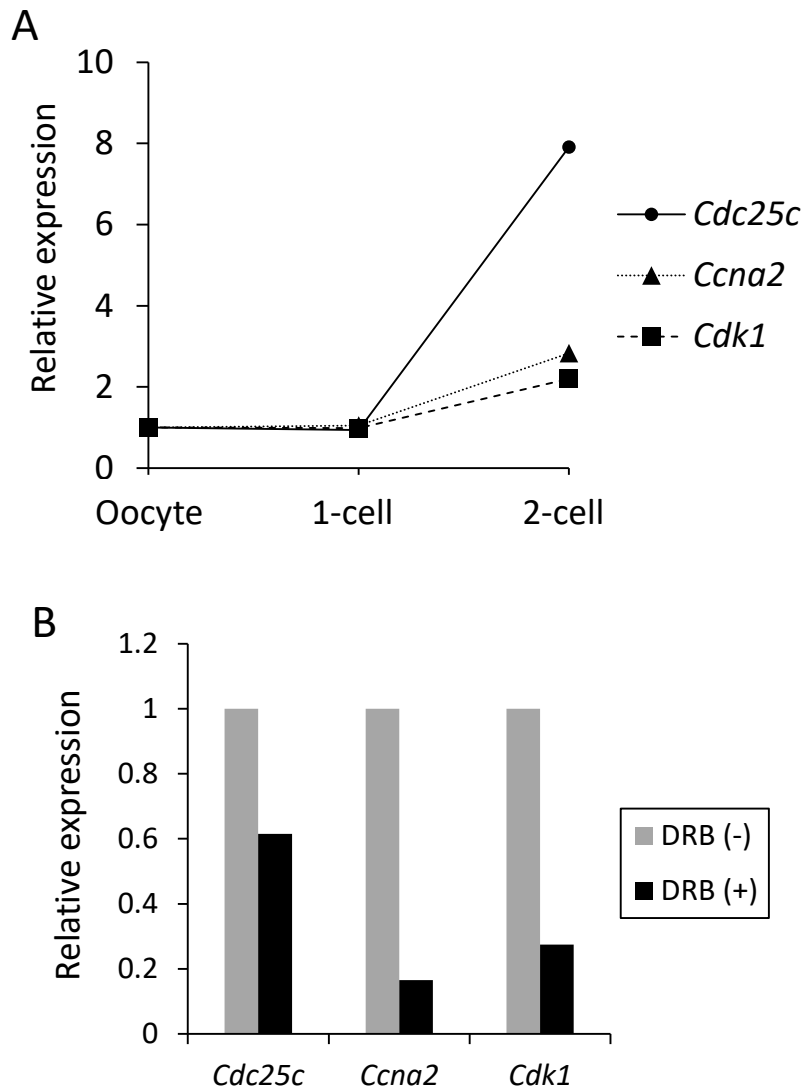
Supplemental Figure S4. Recovery of transcriptional activity after removal of DRB. Embryos were cultured with DRB between 4 and 20 hpi and then transferred to DRB-free medium and transcriptional activity measured at the indicated time points. Transcriptional activity in embryos not treated with DRB (DRB (-)) at 32 hpi was set as 1. The experiment was conducted three times and at least 20 nuclei were examined for each experiment. The data are expressed as mean \pm SEM. Asterisks represent significant differences (by student's *t*-test; $P < 0.05$).

Supplemental Fig. S5



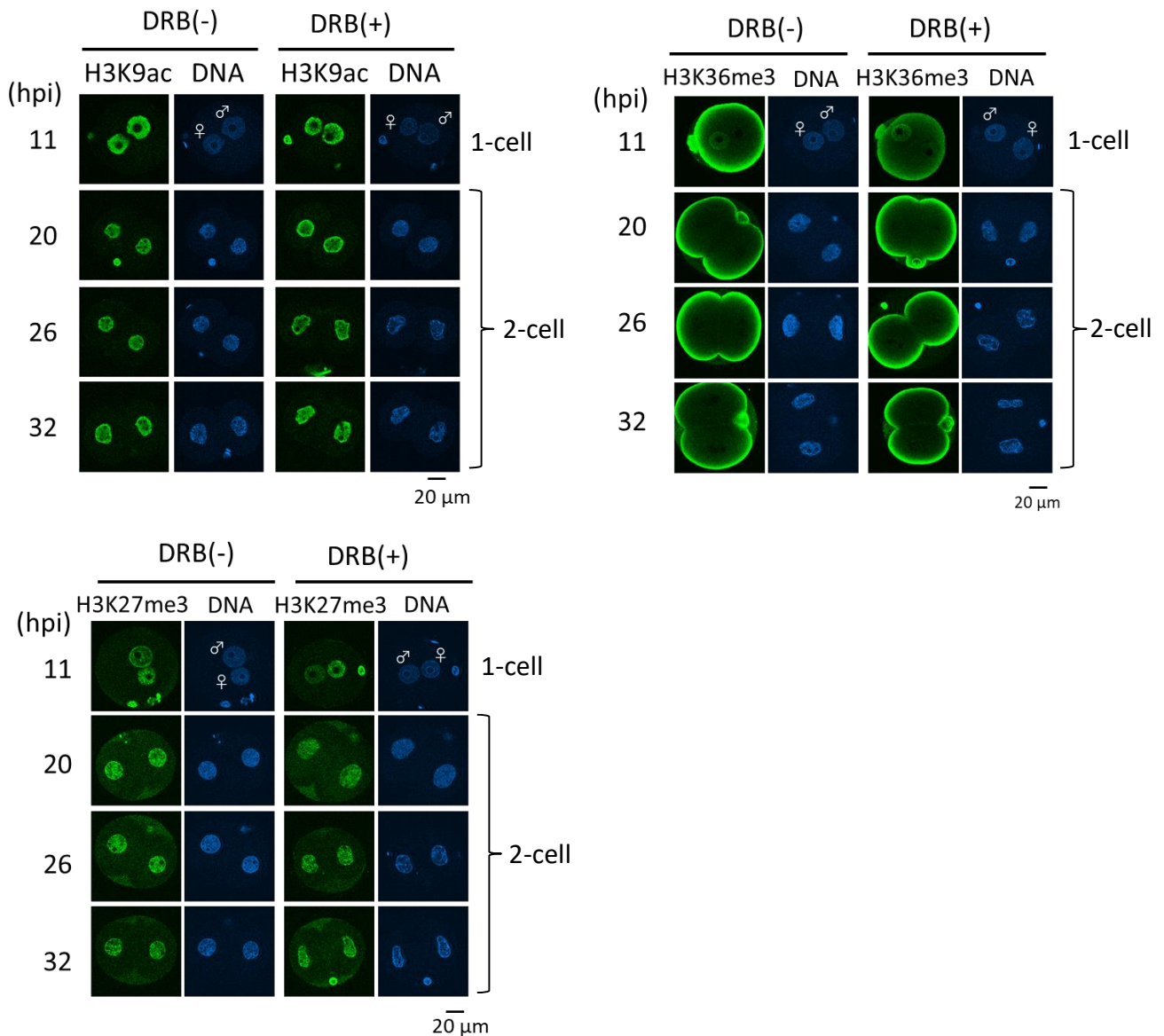
Supplemental Figure S5. Comparison of transcriptomes between 2-cell stage embryos treated with and without DRB. The heat map indicates differences of expression values of Refseq annotated genes in RNA-seq data between 2-cell stage embryos treated with and without DRB. Average values between 2-cell stage embryos treated with and without DRB were set as 1 and were converted into \log_2 values, and then data were used for hierarchical clustering.

Supplemental Fig. S6



Supplemental Figure S6. Repression of expression of mitosis-regulating genes by transiently inhibiting minor ZGA. (A) Relative expression levels of *Ccna2*, *Cdk1* and *Cdc25c* in MII eggs, and 1- and 2-cell embryos not treated with DRB. The RPKM (reads per kilobase per million) values were obtained from the RNA sequencing data and the values of MII stage oocytes were set as 1. (B) Relative expression levels of *Ccna2*, *Cdk1* and *Cdc25c* in the 2-cell embryos treated (DRB(+)) or not treated (DRB(-)) with DRB, respectively. The RPKM value of MII eggs was set as 1.

Supplemental Fig. S7



Supplemental Figure S7. Effect of DRB treatment on histone

modifications. Embryos were cultured in DRB-containing medium between 4 and 20 hpi and then transferred to DRB-free medium. DRB (-) indicates embryos treated with dimethyl sulfoxide, a solvent of DRB, instead of DRB. The embryos were collected 32 hpi for immunocytochemical detection of H3K9ac, H3K27me3 and H3K36me3. The experiments were performed twice and similar results were obtained. Representative images are shown. Bar = 20 μm. Arrowheads indicate the polar body.