

Supplemental Information

**dFzef/Earmuff Maintains the Restricted
Developmental Potential of Intermediate
Neural Progenitors in *Drosophila***

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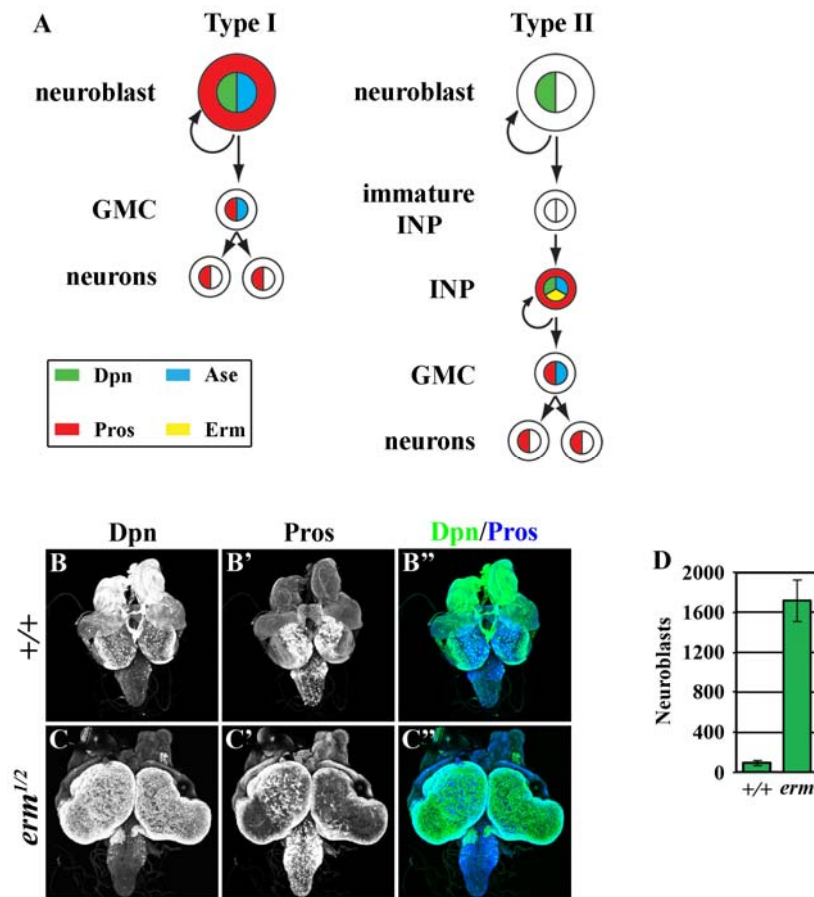


Figure S1. *erm* mutant brains show a dramatic increase in neuroblasts

(A) A type I neuroblast generates a daughter type I neuroblast and a GMC that produces two neurons. A type II neuroblast generates a daughter type II neuroblast and an immature INP that becomes an INP undergoing limited rounds of asymmetric divisions.

(B and C) *erm* mutant larvae showed dramatically enlarged brain lobes containing supernumerary neuroblasts compared to similarly staged wild type control larvae.

(D) *erm* mutant larval brains contained more than 10-fold increase in ectopic neuroblasts (Dpn^+Pros^-).

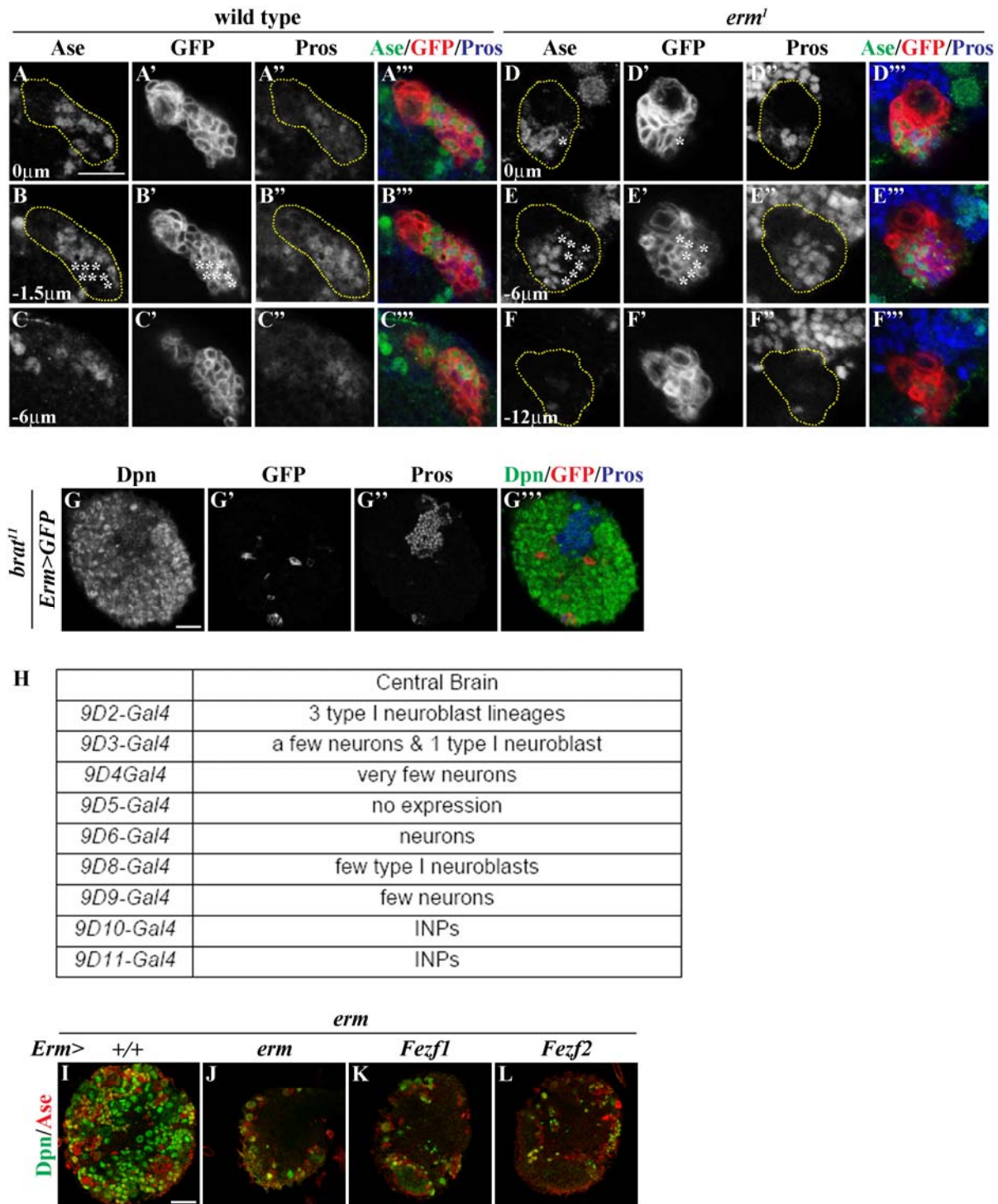


Figure S2. *erm* prevents INPs from reverting into type II neuroblasts

(A-F) At 48 hrs after clone induction, *erm* mutant type II neuroblast clones (yellow circles) contained fewer INPs (Ase^+Pros^-), GMCs (Ase^+Pros^+) and neurons (Ase^-Pros^+ ; white asterisks) compared to similarly staged wild type neuroblast clones.

(G) The expression pattern of the *R9D* series of *Gal4* lines.

(H) The expression of *Erm-Gal4* in *brain tumor (brat)* mutant brains was undetected in ectopic type II neuroblasts and immature INPs despite a dramatic increase in their population.

(I-L) Over-expression of *erm*, *Fezf1* and *Fezf2* in INPs efficiently restored the *Erm* function and rescued the ectopic neuroblast phenotype in *erm* mutant brains.

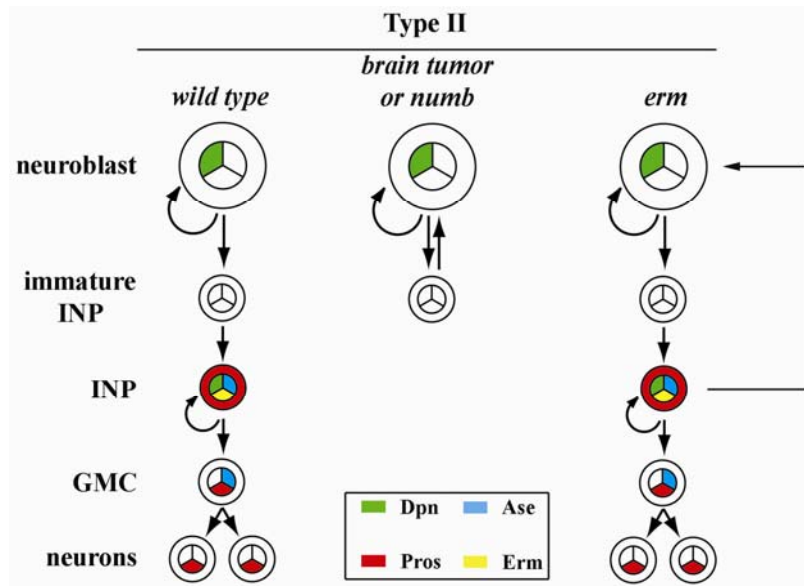


Figure S3. Type II neuroblast lineages in wild-type and mutant larval brains