

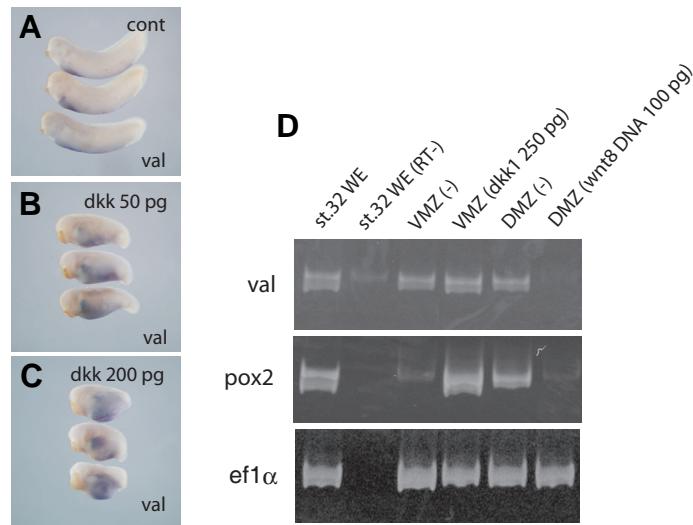
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SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

corresponding to:

**Identification and expression of ventrally associated
leucine-zipper (VAL) in *Xenopus* embryo**

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Supplementary Fig. S1. Regulation of *val* expression by wnt signal. (A-C) Embryos were injected with 50 pg (B) or 200 pg (C) *dkk1* RNA and cultured until the tailbud stage (st. 32). Uninjected control embryos were also cultured (A). These embryos were fixed and subjected to the whole-mount in situ hybridization analysis for detection of *val* mRNA. (D) Ventral marginal zone (VMZ) or dorsal marginal zone (DMZ) explants were prepared from the embryos that had been injected with *dkk1* RNA (250 pg) or *wnt8* DNA (100 pg) at the 4-cell stage and cultured until the tailbud stage (st. 32). Explants were subjected for the RT-PCR analysis to detect the expression of *val*, *pox2* and *ef1 α* . Injection of *dkk1* causes anteriorization of the embryos in in situ hybridization analysis (A-C), but the RT-PCR assay indicates that *val* message is not significantly enhanced by the injection of *dkk1* (D).