

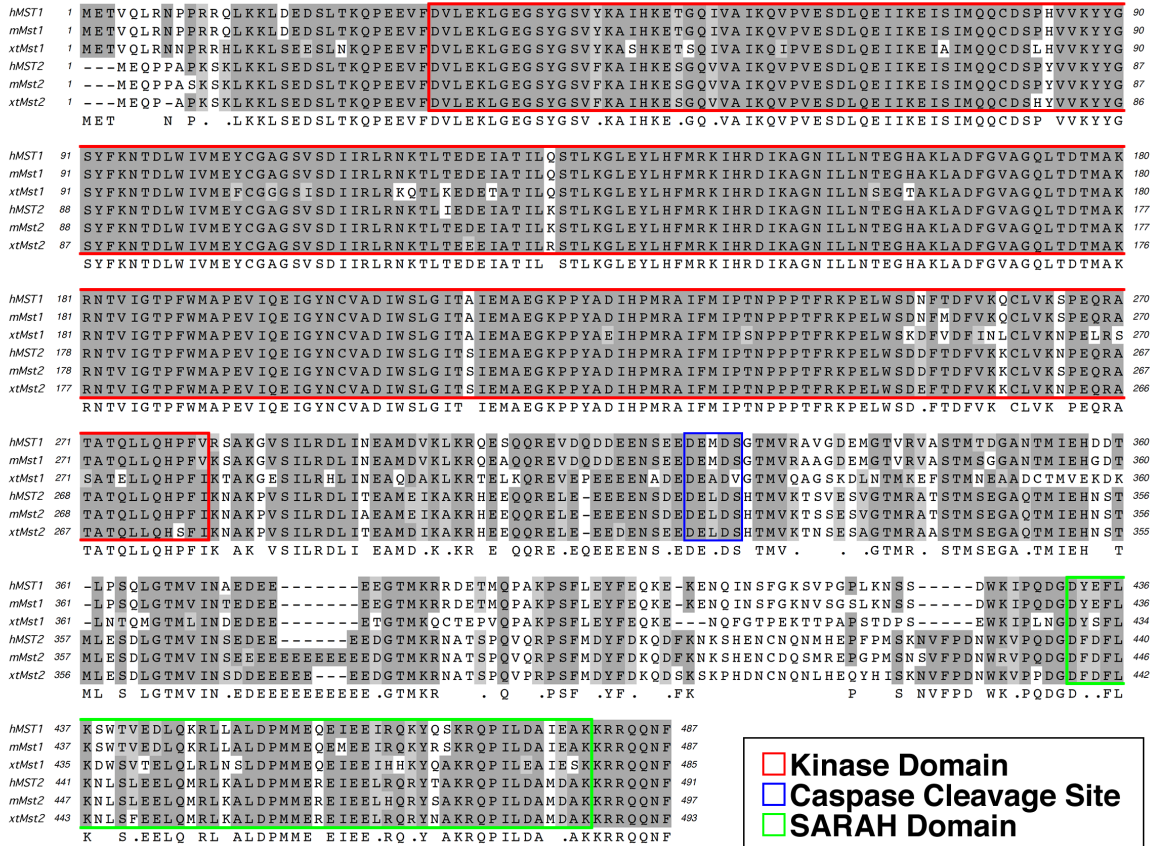
SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL

corresponding to:

**Hippo signaling components, Mst1 and Mst2,
act as a switch between self-renewal and differentiation
in *Xenopus* hematopoietic and endothelial progenitors**

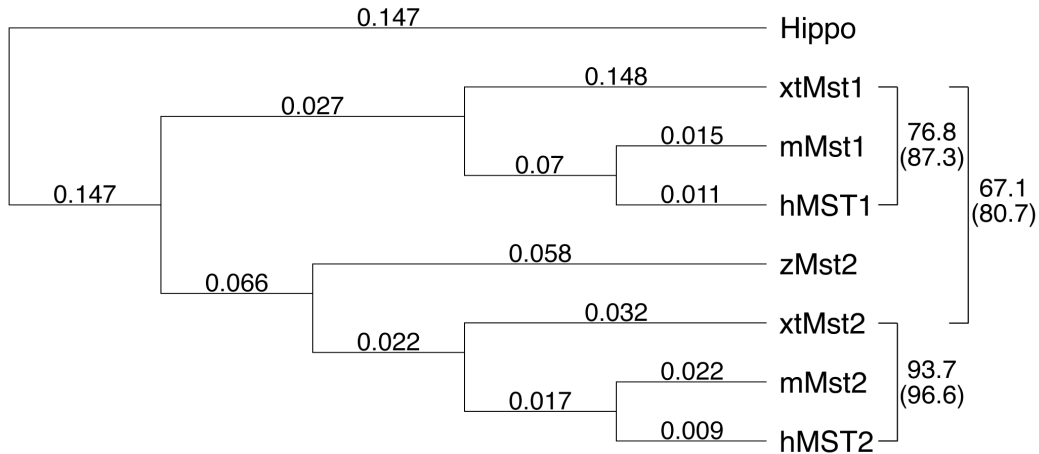
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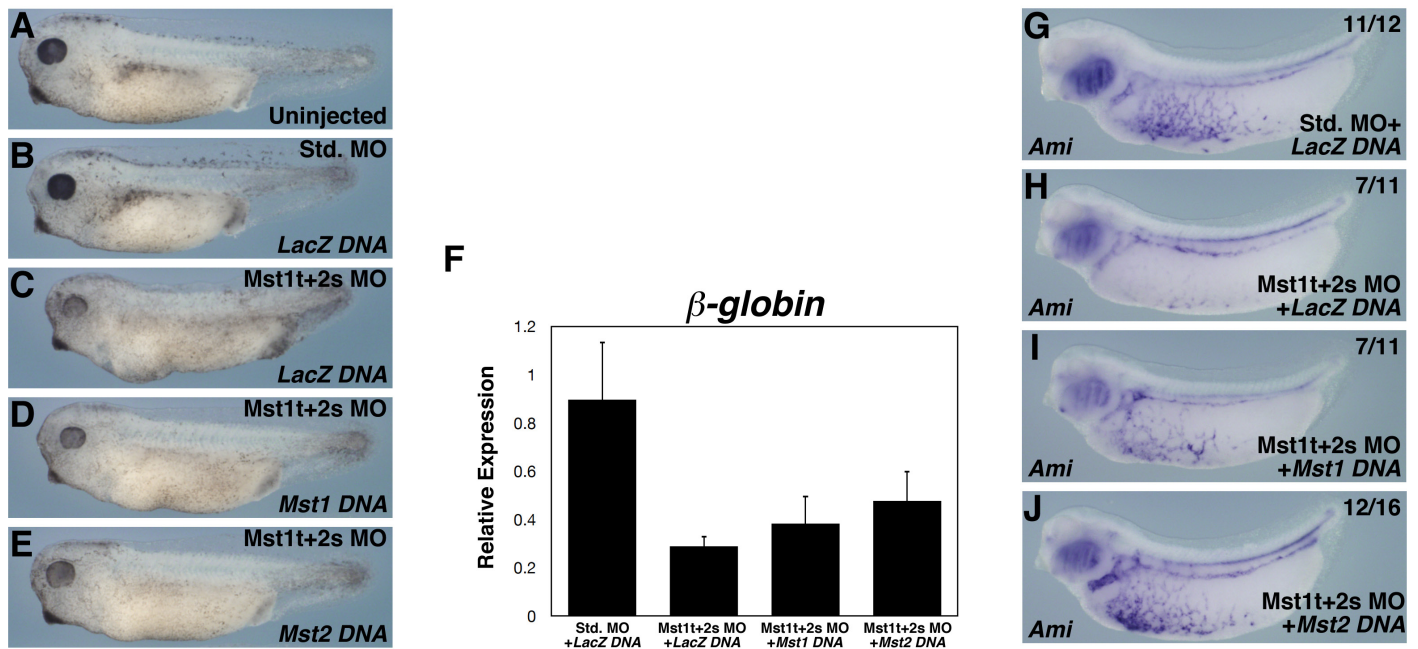


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Method: Neighbor Joining; Best Tree; tie breaking = Systematic
 Distance: Uncorrected ("p")
 Gaps distributed proportionally



Supplemental Fig. S1. Multiple protein sequence alignment of Mst. (A) The dark or light background highlights identical or similar residues, respectively. The domains of Mst2 are boxed using the following colors: red, kinase domain; blue, caspase cleavage site; light green, SARAH domain. **(B)** The phylogenetic tree of Mst proteins was clearly classified using the indicated *Xenopus tropicalis* Mst genes as homologs of mammalian Mst1 and Mst2, respectively. Identity scores (%) or similarity scores (%) are shown in parentheses at the right side of the panel. The following sequences were used: Hippo (NP_611427); hMST1 (NP_006273); hMST2 (NP_006272); mMst1 (NP_067395); mMst2 (NP_062609); xtMst1 (NP_989249); xtMst2 (NP_001090665); zMst2 (NP_955966); hMST, human MST; mMst, mouse Mst; xtMst, *Xenopus tropicalis* Mst; zMst, zebrafish Mst.



Supplemental Fig. S2. Loss of function phenotype was rescued by *Mst1* or *Mst2* DNA injection. (A-E) After injection of 5 ng of standard control MO (Std. MO) or *Mst1/2* MO (*Mst1t+2s* MO) into the animal pole at the 2-cell stage, embryos were injected with 20 pg of LacZ (pENL), *Mst1* (pE-*Mst1*), or *Mst2* (pE-*Mst2*) DNA into the vegetal pole. Coinjection of *Mst1/2* MO and *Mst1*, or *Mst2* DNA partially rescued morphological abnormality as compared to phenotype of *Mst1/2* morphant (see also Fig. 2). Injected embryos were cultured until stage 38. Injected MO is indicated in the upper right of each panel. Injected DNA is indicated in the lower right. (F) RT-qPCR analysis of β -globin in embryos coinjected with MO and DNA. The coinjection of standard control MO (Std. MO) and LacZ DNA did not alter the expression level of β -globin. In *Mst1/2* MO and LacZ DNA-injected embryos, expression of β -globin was decreased (see also Fig. 3). As compared to LacZ DNA, *Mst1*, or *Mst2* DNA slightly rescued decreased β -globin expression of *Mst1/2* morphant. Expression levels were normalized relative to ODC. Values represent means + SEM of three independent experiments. (G) The embryonic vascular network was formed in standard control MO and LacZ DNA-coinjected embryo. (H) Impaired vascular formation in the *Mst1/2* knockdown embryo could not be rescued by injection of LacZ DNA. (D,E) Coinjection of *Mst1/2* MO and *Mst1*, or *Mst2* DNA partially rescued abnormal vascular formation as compared to phenotype of *Mst1/2* MO and LacZ DNA-coinjected embryos. Sample numbers are indicated in the upper right of each panel. Developmental stage is indicated in the lower left. Injected MO and DNA are indicated in the lower right all panels.