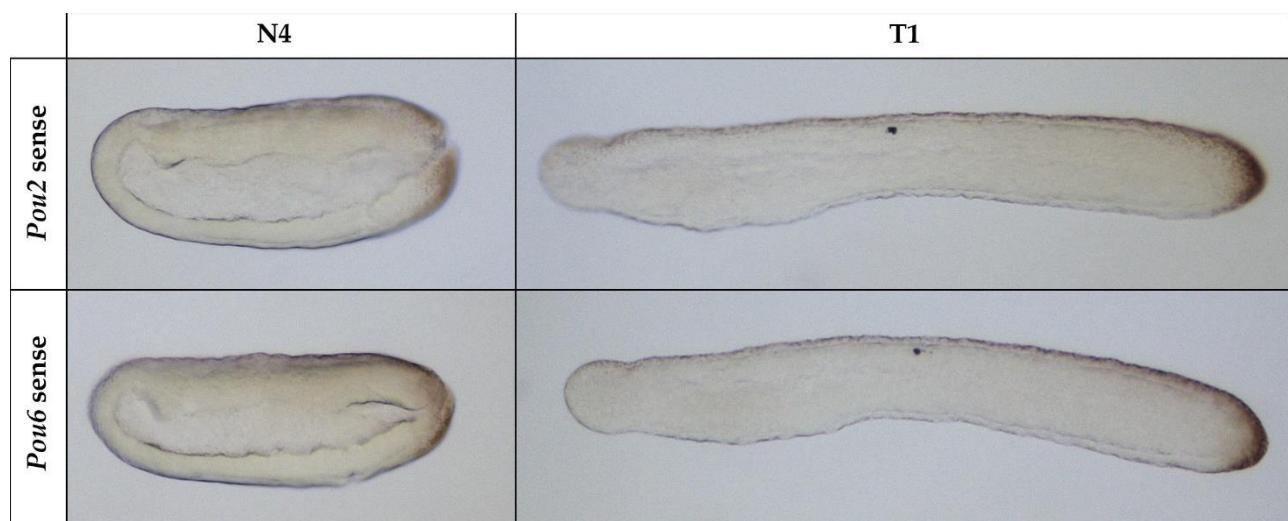


**Table S1. Sequence of the primers used in this study.**

Pit-1 forward	5'-GTCCGCACCTGCCTTCCCCTACC-3'
Pit-1 reverse	5'-GCCACGCGCACGATGTCCTGAGA-3'
Pou2 forward	5'-CAACGGGTCAGTGAATGGGATAGA-3'
Pou2 reverse	5'-CCGCTTGGTGGAGGGATGAC-3'
Pou3l forward	5'-TCACCGCCGCACCTGGAGAA-3'
Pou3l reverse	5'-TGCCGTGCCCGTTGGTCATC-3'
Brn1/2/4 forward	5'-GGTCTTCGCCCCCTGCTTAGTAGTC-3'
Brn1/2/4 reverse	5'-TCGTTGTTTGGCCCCCTGGTAGTC-3'
Pou4 forward	5'-ATGCACCCTCCAATAACTGCCG-3'
Pou4 reverse	5'-TTATCTCCCGCCTGCTGCG-3'
Pou6 forward	5'-TCTGAACGCCGTCCACTCTATGAA-3'
Pou6 reverse	5'-GTCTGGCGGGCGAACCGTTGTG-3'



**Figure S1.** Negative control *in situ* hybridization with sense probes for *Pou2* and *Pou6*. No signal is detected in control embryos after the same experimental protocol that yielded a specific signal with the antisense probes shown in Figures 2 and 4.