

Title: Evolution and Functional Characteristics of the Novel Elovl8 Which Play Pivotal Roles in Fatty Acid Biosynthesis

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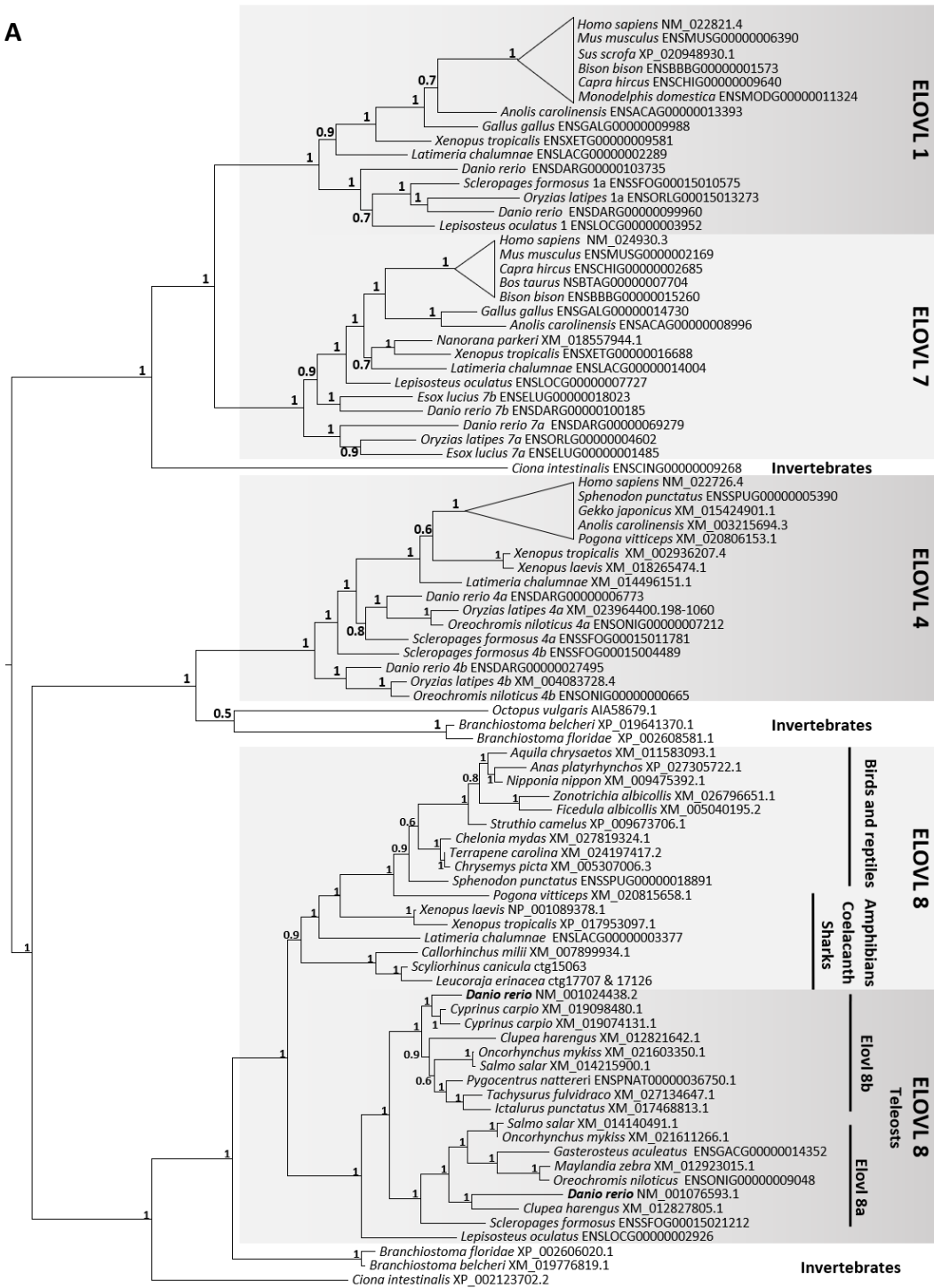
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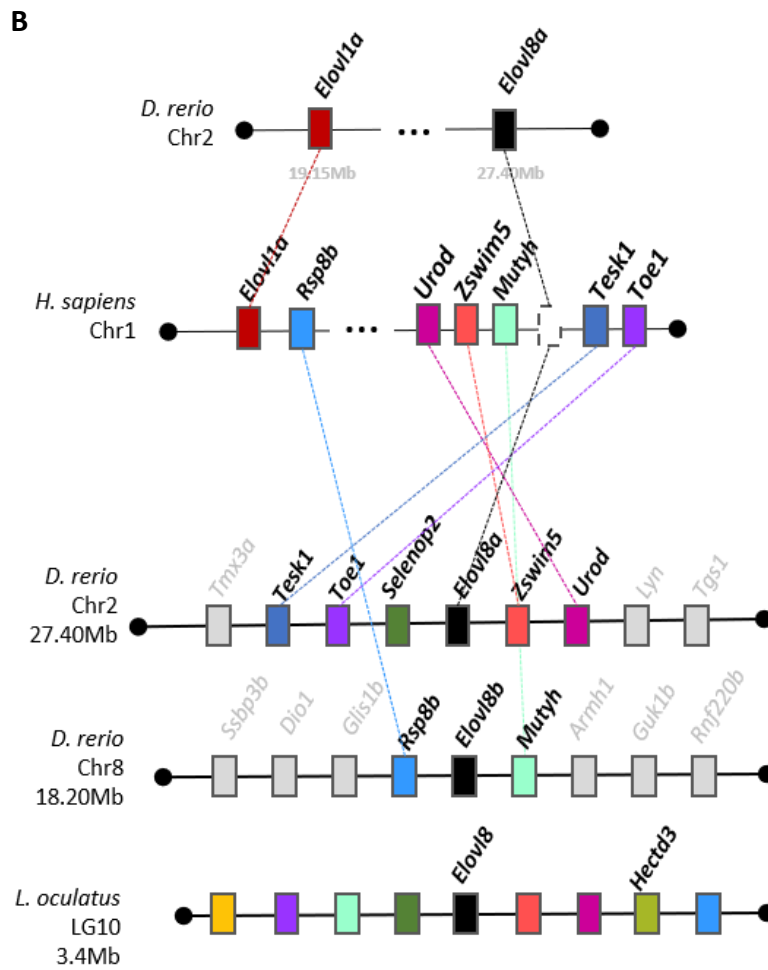


Figure S1. Phylogenetic analysis and synteny maps of Elov18.

(A) Phylogenetic analysis of Elov11, Elov17 Elov14 and Elov18 sequences, values at node correspondent to posterior probabilities provided by aBayes. Tree was rooted at midpoint. (B) Syntenic location of the Elov18 genes in several species; Elov18 gene is represented by black box; dotted black box in human represents a pseudogene; color code of the remaining boxes is conserved corresponding to the same gene identified in several species. Genes identified in grey show no conservation with the remaining genes.

Elov1: elongation of very long-chain fatty acid protein.

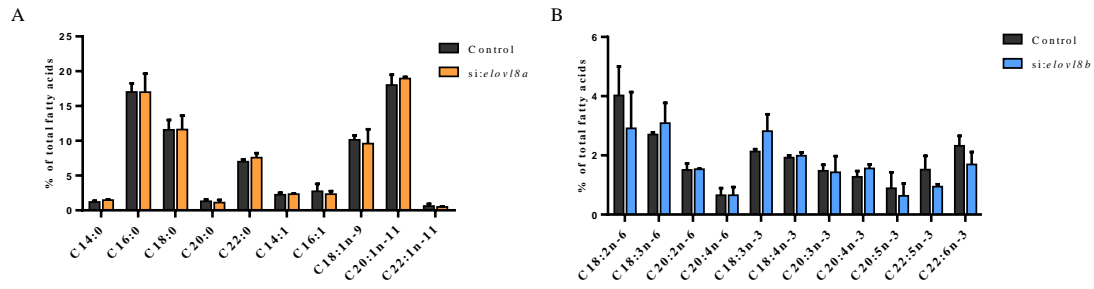


Figure S2. Effects of *elovl8a* and *elovl8b* knockdown on liver fatty acid composition. (A) SFA and MUFA composition of control and si:*elovl8a* treated ZFL cells. (B) PUFA composition of control and si:*elovl8b* treated ZFL cells.

elovl, elongation of very long-chain fatty acid protein; SFA, saturated fatty acid; MUFA, monounsaturated fatty acids; PUFA, polyunsaturated fatty acids.

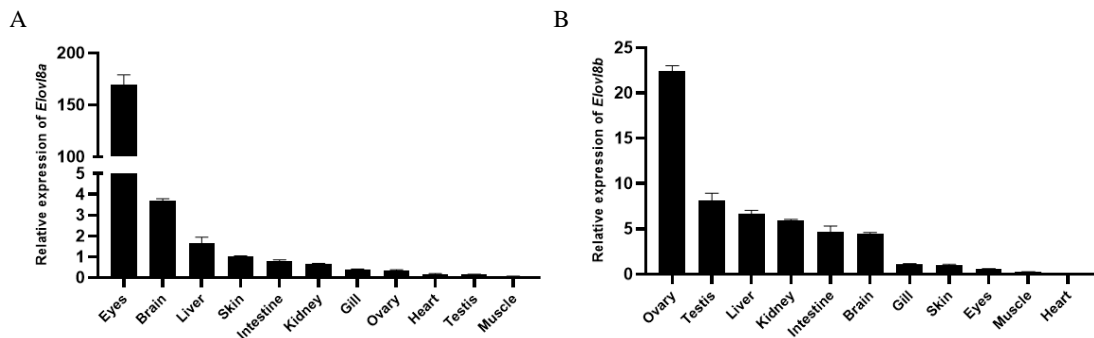
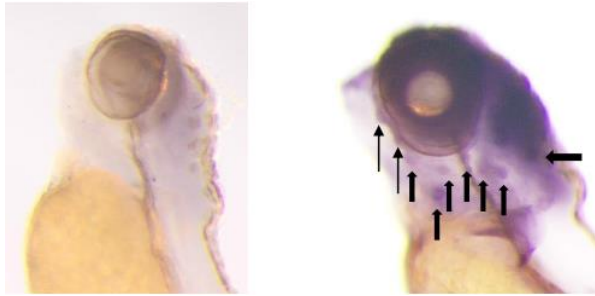


Figure S3. Relative mRNA expression levels of *elovl8a* (A) and *elovl8b* (B) in different tissues of wild-type zebrafish. Data were expressed as mean \pm SD of three biological replicates.

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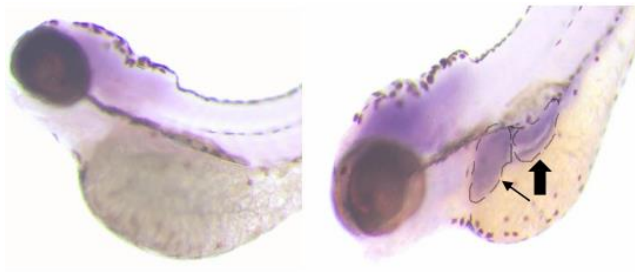


Figure S4. Expression of *elovl8a* (A) and *elovl8b* (B) in 96hpf zebrafish. Images on left showed fish labeled with sense riboprobe as negative control. For *elovl8a*, expression was prominent in eyes (arrow) and head neuromasts (bold arrow). As for *elovl8b*, expression was detected in the developing liver (arrow) and intestine (bold arrow). *elovl*, elongation of very long-chain fatty acid protein; hpf, hours post-fertilization.

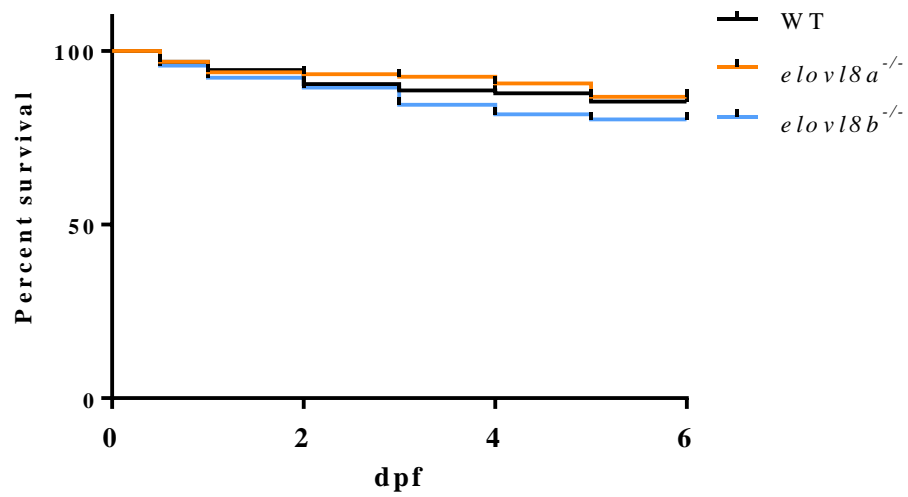


Figure S5. Survival rates of the wild-type (WT), *elovl8a*^{-/-} and *elovl8b*^{-/-} early embryo stage. *elovl*, elongation of very long-chain fatty acid protein; dpf, days post-fertilization.

Table S1. The primers of PCR used in this study.

Target gene primers	Primer sequences (5´-3´)	Accession numbers
Construction of knockout models		
<i>elovl8a</i> -F	GGTCTGAATTGCTTTCTTC	ID: 767653
<i>elovl8a</i> -R	ATGTTTTTATTTGTCTATGGTC	
<i>elovl8b</i> -F	ATAGATCTGTGTACTTCTGCA	ID: 554145
<i>elovl8b</i> -R	CAGTCCTTTTAGGTTCACTGGT	
qPCR		
<i>elovl2</i> -F	GTTTTTCAGCTGTCCCGTA	NM_001040362.1
<i>elovl2</i> -R	ATTGGAATGACTGTGTTTAGG	
<i>elovl5</i> -F	CCAAGGACAGGACGAAGC	NM_200453.2
<i>elovl5</i> -R	CAGTGTGCAAACGTGTAAGGA	
<i>elovl4a</i> -F	GTCATTCTTCGGGGCTCACA	NM_200796.1
<i>elovl4a</i> -R	CCGATCAGACACCAGTGCAT	
<i>elovl4b</i> -F	CTTTGATTGGCTATGCCGTTAC	NM_199972.1
<i>elovl4b</i> -R	CGTGCTTTTCCTTTTCCTTTCTT	
<i>elovl5</i> -F	CCAAGGACAGGACGAAGC	NM_200453.2
<i>elovl5</i> -R	CAGTGTGCAAACGTGTAAGGA	
<i>elovl7a</i> -F	TGTATGGCATCATCTTCCTCCT	NM_199875.1
<i>elovl7a</i> -R	GCAGTCGGCAGAGTAACCT	
<i>elovl7b</i> -F	GCGGTTCTGCTGTATGATGAG	NM_199778.1
<i>elovl7b</i> -R	ACGATGCTGAGGTTGTAGATGA	
<i>elovl8a</i> -F	ACGGAGACAAGAGGACAGATG	NM_001076593.1
<i>elovl8a</i> -R	TGCCAACCAAGAGGAGACTG	
<i>elovl8b</i> -F	AATCCGCATGGCAGAGACT	NM_001024438.2
<i>elovl8b</i> -R	CCAAGATGTGACAAGGAACTCA	
<i>gapdh</i> -F	TCCAGTACGACTCCACCCAT	NM_001115114.1
<i>gapdh</i> -R	TGACTCTCTTTGCACCACCC	
β -actin-F	CACCACCACAGCCGAAAGAG	AF057040.1
β -actin-R	ACCGCAAGATTCCATACCCA	
Primers for in situ hybridization riboprobe synthesis		
<i>elovl8a</i> -F	GAGACAAGAGGACAGATGGATG	
<i>elovl8a</i> -R	CTAGCTTGGTCTTCTTGGAGAG	
<i>elovl8b</i> -F	CCCATGGCTACTAGTCTACTC	
<i>elovl8b</i> -R	AGCTGGACATTTACCTCTCTC	
<i>elovl8a</i> and <i>elovl8b</i> knockdown		
si: <i>elovl8a</i>	GGAUGGCUGUUGGUUUAUUTT	
si: <i>elovl8b</i>	GGAUCGGACCCAAGCUUAUTT	

Elov1, elongases of very long-chain fatty acids; *gapdh*: glyceraldehyde-3-phosphate

dehydrogenase.