Erratum

Evolutionary Patterns of Gene Families Generated in the Early Stage of Vertebrates

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Re: J Mol Evol (2000) 51:88–96. In Fig. 3A, the phylogeny of Activin β (C,D) should be replaced as shown in the figure below. The discovery of frog Activin β -D indicates that the origin of Activin β -C and -D may occur after the tetrapod radiation. Thus, Activin-B should belong to three-cluster family (A, B, C/D/E), rather than Type I four-cluster. Nevertheless, this mis-

classification does not change our major conclusion that at least two rounds of gene duplications in the early stage of vertebrates is a common pattern in gene family evolution.

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