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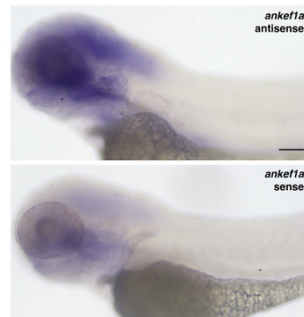


Figure S1. Wholemount mRNA in situ hybridization (ISH) for *ankef1a* on 3 day post-fertilization zebrafish larvae using antisense (top) and sense (bottom) DIG-labeled probes targeted to nucleotides 1912-2687 of ENSDART00000153006.2. Primers used to generate the *ankef1a* ISH probe templates are detailed in Table S1. Scale bar = 100 μ m.

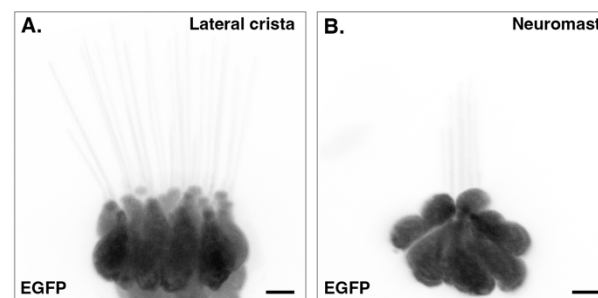


Figure S2. EGFP localization in hair cells of a lateral crista (A) and lateral line neuromast (B) in a *Tg(myo6b:EGFP)vo68* transgenic zebrafish at 5 days post-fertilization. Scale bars = 5 μ m.

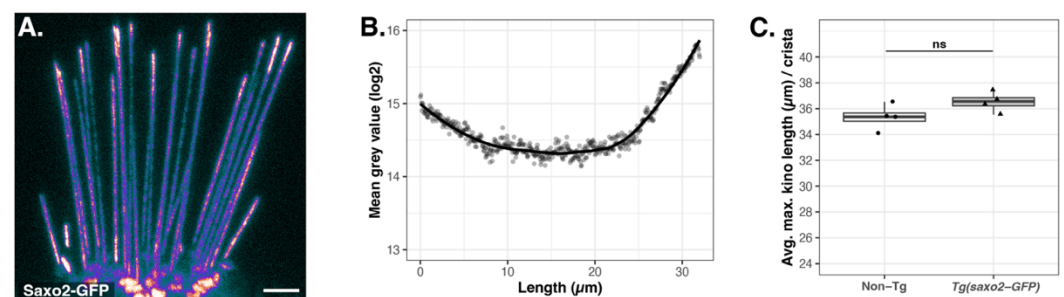


Figure S3. Saxo2-GFP kinocilia distribution and effect on kinocilia height. **A.** Pixel intensity-encoded image of Saxo2-GFP in the kinocilia of lateral crista hair cells at 5 days post-fertilization (dpf). Brighter colours indicate higher fluorescence intensity. **B.** Scatter plot of averaged mean grey values (log2) for fluorescence intensity from kinocilia in the lateral cristae of Saxo2-GFP transgenics ($n = 16$ kinocilia from 4 individuals at 5 dpf). Position 0 μ m is from the proximal region near the base of kinocilia and position 32 μ m is the distal-most tip. **C.** Boxplots of maximum kinocilia length in the lateral crista of *saxo2-GFP* transgenics and their non-transgenic siblings at 5 dpf. Data points are the average length of the five tallest kinocilia from an individual larva. Two-tailed Welch's t-test statistics: non-Tg, $n = 4$ larvae, mean = 35.3 μ m; *Tg(saxo2-GFP)*, $n = 4$, mean = 36.5 μ m; $t = -1.8712$, $df = 5.5674$, $p = 0.1143$. Scale bar is 5 μ m in A.

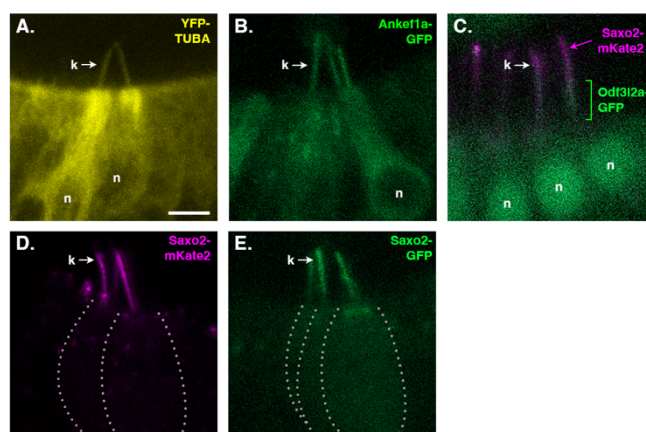


Figure S4. Transgenic protein localization in hair cells of the anterior macula: **A.** YFP-TUBA; **B.** Ankef1a-GFP; **C.** Odf3l2a-GFP with Saxo2-mKate2; **D.** Saxo2-mKate2; **E.** Saxo2-GFP. All images are from 1-day post-fertilization (dpf) larvae, except panel C which is at 5 dpf due to low fluorescence intensity for Odf3l2a-GFP at 1 dpf. Approximate cell outlines are indicated by dashed lines in panels D and E. k = kinocilium, n = nucleus. Scale bar = 5 μ m, applies to all images.

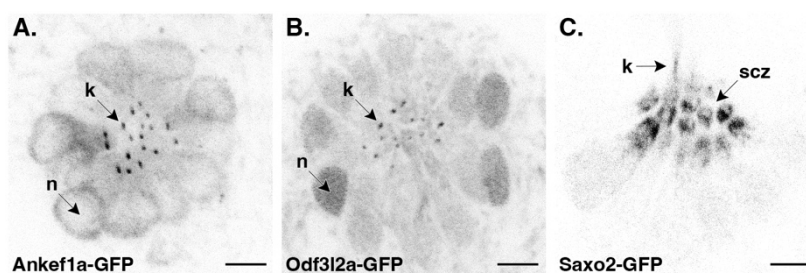


Figure S5. Ankef1a-GFP (**A**), Odf3l2a-GFP (**B**), and Saxo2-GFP (**C**) localization patterns in the soma of neuromast hair cells (top-down views). k = kinocilium, n = nucleus, scz = subcuticular zone. Scale bars = 5 μ m.

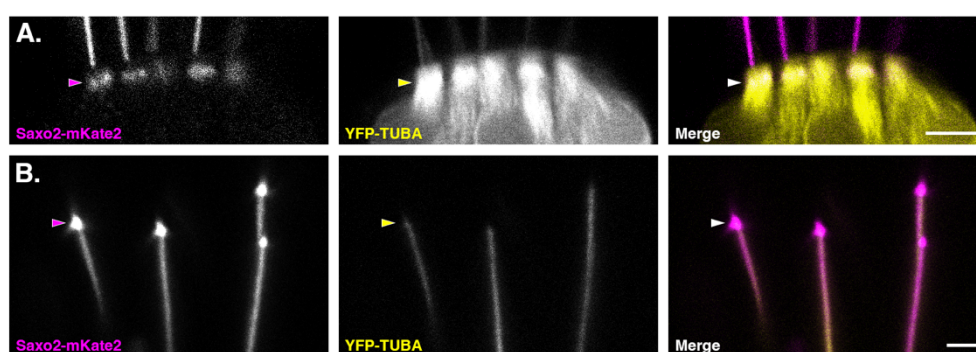


Figure S6. Details of Saxo2-mKate2 and YFP-TUBA co-localization in the subcuticular zone (**A**) and at the distal tip of kinocilia (**B**) in the lateral crista at 6 days post fertilization. Scale bar is 5 μ m in A and 2 μ m in B.

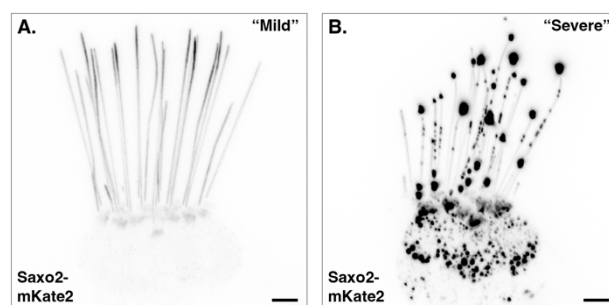


Figure S7. Comparison of fluorescent protein intensity levels in Saxo2-mKate2 “mild” (A) and “severe” (B) transgenic lines at 6 days post-fertilization. The image in panel B was captured at 88% of the gain of that in panel A, thus slightly underrepresenting the true intensity difference between the two lines. Scale bars = 5 μ m.

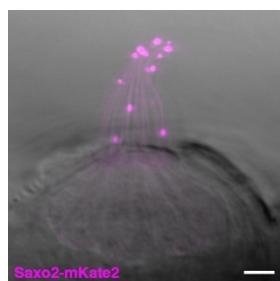
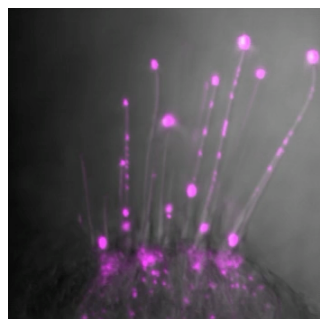


Figure S8. Example of the “severe” phenotype in a neuromast of a *saxo2-mKate2* transgenic at 5 days post-fertilization. Scale bar = 5 μ m.



Video S1. Movement of Saxo2-mKate2 positive punctae in the kinocilia of lateral crista hair cells in a 5 dpf zebrafish larva. Note the bi-directional motion of the puncta on the left. Video info: 20 frames over 60 sec, played back at 7 fps, depth of 4.7 μ m, frame dimension 40x40 μ m.