



Supplementary Figure 1: Expression of the house keeping genes β -actin and EF-1 α mRNA at various stages of gonad maturation determined by real-time PCR. The CT values were averaged according to the same gonad maturation stages shown in Figure 5 (Results are Mean \pm SEM (n=3-14 fish/group)). In each house keeping gene no significant difference was observed at the different stages. Tested by a one way ANOVA test with Tukey post test and a 95% confidence interval.