

Drug	Class	Manufacturer	Conc. In experiment
CP-615003-27	GABA-A antagonist	Pfizer	40 μ M
Picrotoxin	GABA-A antagonist	Tocris	100 μ M
TPMPA	GABA-A antagonist	Tocris	100 μ M
GABA	GABA-A agonist	Sigma-Aldrich	50 mM
GABOB	GABA-A agonist	Sigma-Aldrich	100 μ M
L, 838-417	GABA-A partial agonist	Tocris	100 μ M
MK 0343	GABA-A partial agonist	Tocris	100 μ M
CI-966 HCL	GABA uptake inhibitor	Tocris	20 μ M

Table S1: List of GABA-A receptor pharmacology used in the study. Each drug was obtained from the indicated manufacturer and handled according to vendor guidelines.

Primer	Sequence (5' – 3')
<i>gabrr1</i> guide RNA	ggatgaaggagcgcttggag
pT7-gRNA oligo: <i>gabrr1</i>	aattaatacgactcactataggatgaaggagcgcttggaggttttagagctagaaatagc
<i>gabrr1</i> genotype_Hpy166II_F	tggaacgggattaaactgagc
<i>gabrr1</i> genotype_Hpy166II_R	aaaatgcaagacccggagat
<i>gabrr1</i> sequencing primer F	ctgtgttatcagcagtaagcg
<i>gabrr1</i> sequencing primer R	gggcagctgtaaaatcagagt
<i>gabrr1</i> cDNA cloning_Pac1_F	ggcgatcgcttaattaatgttgagggaagacagctcca
<i>gabrr1</i> cDNA cloning_Pac1_R	cctgcagggttaattaatcactgtgagtagatggaccagt

Table S2: Sequences of primers and oligos used in the study. Each primer or oligo was purchased from Integrated DNA Technologies (IDT).

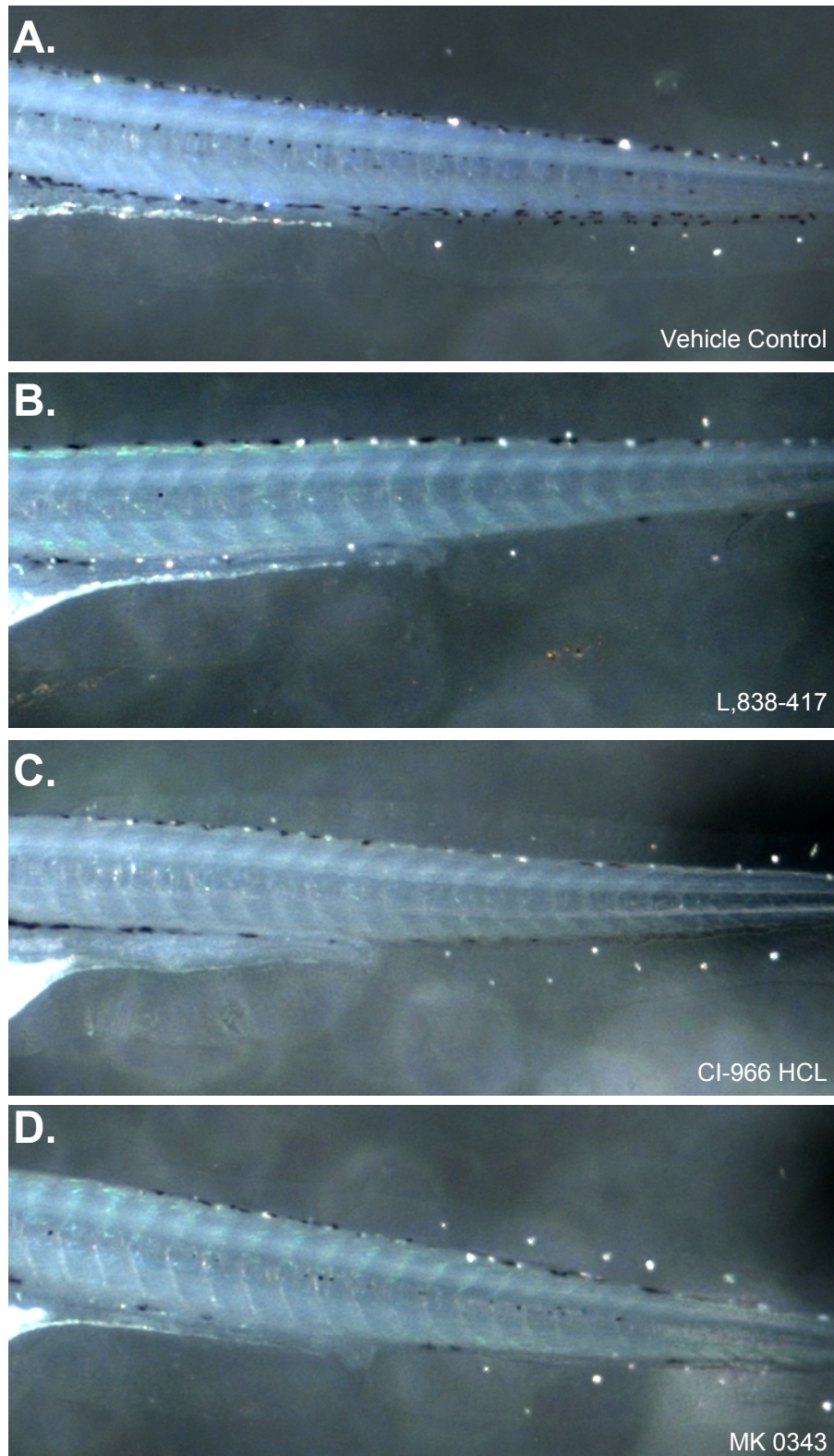


Figure S1: Pharmacological activation of GABA-A reduces larval pigmentation across the body. (A-D) Images of representative *mitfa^{vc7}* 7 dpf larvae treated with vehicle control (A), L,838-417 (B), CI-966 HCL (C), and MK 0343 (D).

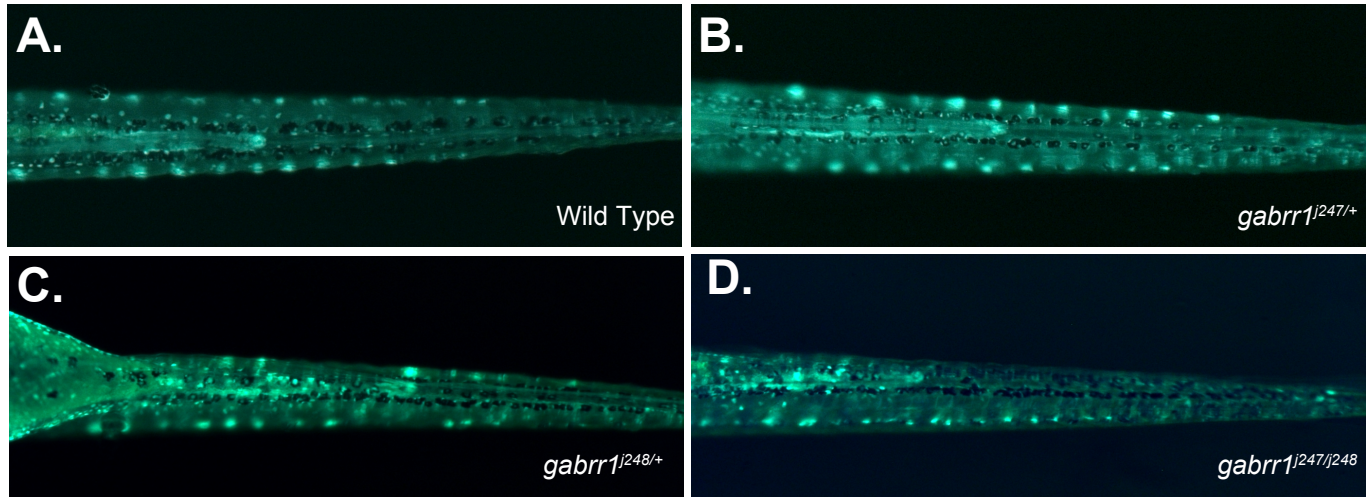


Figure S2: *gabrr1* mutations have no visible effect on ventral pigmentation. (A-D) Images of representative 6 dpf wild-type (A), *gabrr1*^{j247/+} (B), *gabrr1*^{j248/+} (C), and *gabrr1*^{j247/j248} (D) larvae.

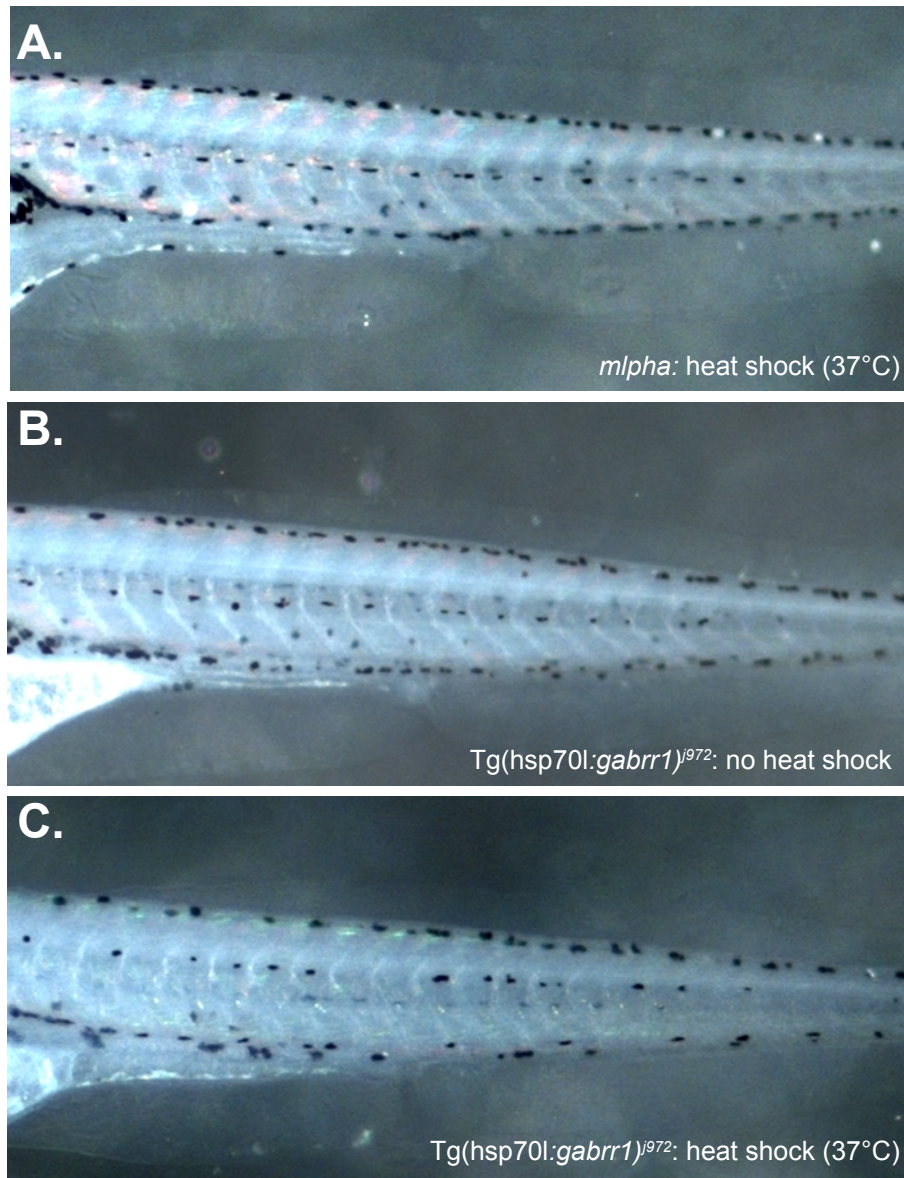


Figure S3: Over-expression of *gabrr1* partially reduces ventral pigmentation. (A-C) Images of representative 6 dpf heat shocked *mlpha* (A), Tg(hsp70l:*gabrr1*)^{j972} (B), and Tg(hsp70l:*gabrr1*)^{j972} + heat shock (C).