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A NEW, NONINVASIVE METHOD OF BATCH-MARKING AMPHIBIANS ACROSS DEVELOPMENTAL STAGES

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TABLE S1. Experiment design and treatment groups.

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Treatment group	Bath 1 (3.5 min)	Bath 2 (3.5 min)	Rinse
A (control)	RD water	RD water	RD water
B (salt only)	1% NaCl	RD water	RD water
C (calcein only)	RD water	1% calcein	RD water
D (osmotic induction)	1% NaCl	1% calcein	RD water

TABLE S2. Inter-stage experiment: summary of hierarchical logistic regression for variables predicting mortality (65 d post-treatment) of Wood Frogs marked as larvae (n = 80).

	Model	1			Model	2		
variable	b	SE	β	Р	b	SE	β	Р
Treat B	0.46	0.97	0.20	0.635	0.47	0.97	0.20	0.631
Treat C	1.21	1.20	0.53	0.314	1.22	1.20	0.53	0.311
Treat D	0.46	0.97	0.42	0.635	0.44	0.98	0.19	0.651
Initial Mass					0.90	2.21	0.16	0.682
DF	76				75			
AIC	58.86				60.69			

TABLE S3. Inter-stage experiment: summary of hierarchical regression for variables predicting growth of Wood Frog larvae from initial mass at time of treatment to 65 d post-treatment. Animals that died prior before 65 d were excluded from the analysis (n = 72).

	Model 1				Model 2				Model 3				Model 4			
variable	b	SE	β	Р												
Treat B	-0.01	0.03	-0.05	0.742	-0.01	0.03	-0.04	0.740	-0.01	0.03	-0.04	0.739	-0.01	0.03	-0.04	0.751
Treat C	0.02	0.03	0.08	0.596	0.01	0.03	0.07	0.575	0.01	0.03	0.07	0.594	0.01	0.03	0.07	0.585
Treat D	0.02	0.03	0.11	0.447	0.01	0.03	0.05	0.694	0.01	0.03	0.05	0.697	0.01	0.03	0.05	0.705
Mass					0.24	0.05	0.50	0.000	0.23	0.07	0.48	0.001	2.66	2.60	0.44	0.310
Time									0.00	0.00	-0.04	0.779	0.00	0.00	-0.12	0.431
Mass*Time													-0.01	0.01	-0.12	0.354
DF	68				67				66				65			
R^2	0.02				0.27				0.27				0.28			
F for change					22.65				0.08				0.87			
in R^2					(0.00)				(0.78)				(0.35)			
(P-value for F)																

TABLE S4.

Inter-stage experiment: summary of hierarchical regression for variables predicting final mass of Wood Frog larvae from initial mass at time of treatment to metamorphosis. Animals that metamorphosed within one week of treatment were excluded from the analysis (n = 49).

	Model	1			Model	2			Model 3				Model 4	1		
variable	b	SE	β	Р	b	SE	β	Р	b	SE	β	Р	b	SE	β	Р
Treat B	0.01	0.05	0.03	0.85	-0.01	0.05	-0.03	0.87	-0.03	0.02	-0.12	0.17	-0.03	0.03		0.21
Treat C	-0.05	0.05	-0.19	0.31	-0.06	0.05	-0.22	0.21	-0.05	0.02	-0.17	0.06	-0.05	0.02		0.07
Treat D	0.01	0.05	0.04	0.81	0.00	0.05	0.00	1.00	-0.02	0.03	-0.07	0.38	-0.02	0.03		0.40
Initial					0.34	0.12	0.38	0.01	0.80	0.07	0.91	0.00	-1.33	3.98		0.74
Mass																
Time to meta									0.02	0.00	0.95	0.00	0.01	0.01		0.03
Mass*Time													0.01	0.01		0.59
DF	45				44				43				42			
R^2	0.05				0.19				0.80				0.80			
F for change					29.76				126.56				0.29			
in R^2					(0.00)				(0.00)				(0.59)			
(P-value for F)																

TABLE S5. Inter-stage experiment: percent true positive non-lethal detections of calcein label in post-metamorphosis Wood Frogs immediately upon metamorphosis (Gosner stage 42 [GS 42]) and up to 146 d post-treatment, marked between 1 and 39 d prior to metamorphosis.

	Days post-treatment														
	GS 42	8	16	23	30	37	44	59	71	80	87	101	115	129	146
Treat C	100%	100%	92.9%	88.2%	94.4%	94.7%	66.7%	84.2%	84.2%	84.2%	84.2%	84.2%	78.9%	78.9%	78.9%
n Treat D	19 100%	9 100%	14 100%	17 93.3%	18 94.1%	19 88.9%	19 64.7%	19 88.9%	19 88.9%	19 88.9%	19 83.3%	19 83.3%	19 88.9%	19 88.9%	19 83.3%
n	18	9	14	15	17	18	17	18	18	18	18	18	18	18	18

TABLE S6. Inter-stage experiment: Comparison of detecting calcein label via noninvasive whole-animal observation of live individuals to invasive observation of tibiofibular and phalange cross-section.

	Total marked	Live, noninvasive observation	Tibiofibular cross-section	Phalange cross-section
Individuals detected	39	30	28	18
Percent of total	100%	77.0%	71.8%	46.2%
Percent of individuals detected noninvasivley		100%	93.3%	60.0%

TABLE S7. Intra-stage experiment: Percent true positive, non-lethaldetections of calcein label in larval Wood Frogs by days post-treatment and immediately upon metamorphosis (Gosner stage 42[GS 42]).

Days post-marking									
	n	1	8	15	24	GS 42			
Treatment C	8	100%	62.5%	62.5%	50.0%	62.5%			
Treatment D	5	100%	100%	100%	80.0%	40.0%			

TABLE S8. Field catalog numbers of specimens included in this

study and accessioned to the Yale Peabody Museum of Natural

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marking in a Wood Frog at various age classes and mass (A). For a Wood Frog of average mass within each age class, detection rates are not predicted to diminish over time (B).



Figure S2. Photos of phalange cross-section (A), tibiofibular cross-section (B), and tibiofibula (C) from a Wood Frog marked with calcein illuminated with a NIGHTSEA BlueStar handheld 440-460nm flashlight through a cancellation filter. Illumination was augmented by white LED light in images (A) and (C). Photos were taken by A. Z. Andis with a Canon 6D and Wild Heerbrugg M5A Stereomicroscope at x12 (C) and x50 (A and B) magnification. Photos were corrected for exposure and white balance.



Figure S3. Inter-stage (A) and Intra-stage (B) predicted probability of detecting a calcein label administered with (Treatment D) and without (Treatment C) osmotic induction over time in Wood Frogs marked as larvae of average age (11.1 d prior to metamorphosis) and average mass (0.72 g).