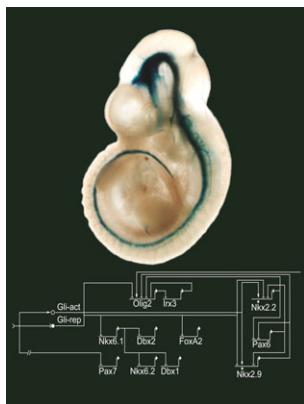
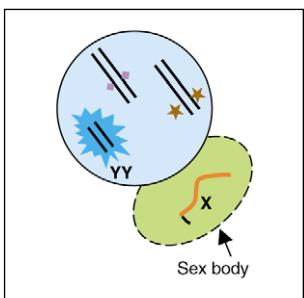


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Cover: Transgenic analysis of a Gli1-binding region identified by ChIP-on-chip studies revealed *Nkx2.2* as a direct transcriptional target of the sonic hedgehog pathway (above). A BioTapestry model (beneath) depicting the cis-regulatory inputs specifying Nkx2.2⁺ V3 neural progenitors. See research article by Vokes et al. on p. 1977.



In this issue, James Turner reviews the role of meiotic sex chromosome inactivation (MSCI) during mammalian spermatogenesis. MSCI is initiated by DNA repair proteins and maintained by virtue of histone modifications, to silence unsynapsed chromosomes, thus guarding against aneuploidy. As is discussed, MSCI may not be restricted to meiosis. See primer on p. 1823.

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