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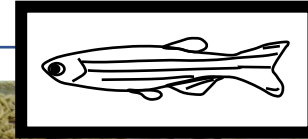
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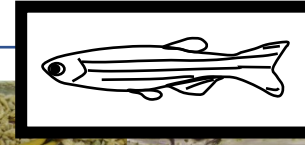
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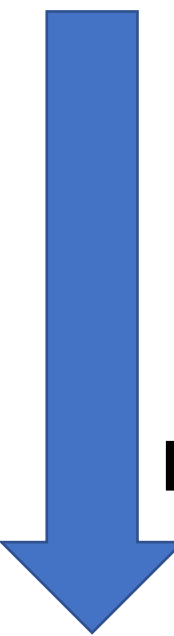
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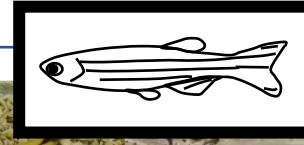
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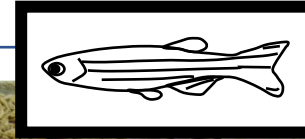
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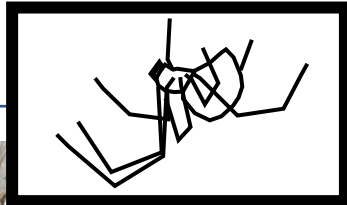
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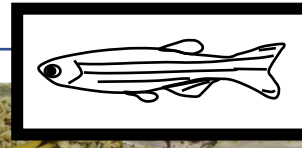


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The common house spider

Parasteatoda tepidariorum



The spider genome has been already sequenced!

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The house spider genome reveals an ancient whole-genome duplication during arachnid evolution

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Abstract

Background: The duplication of genes can occur through various mechanisms and is thought to make a major



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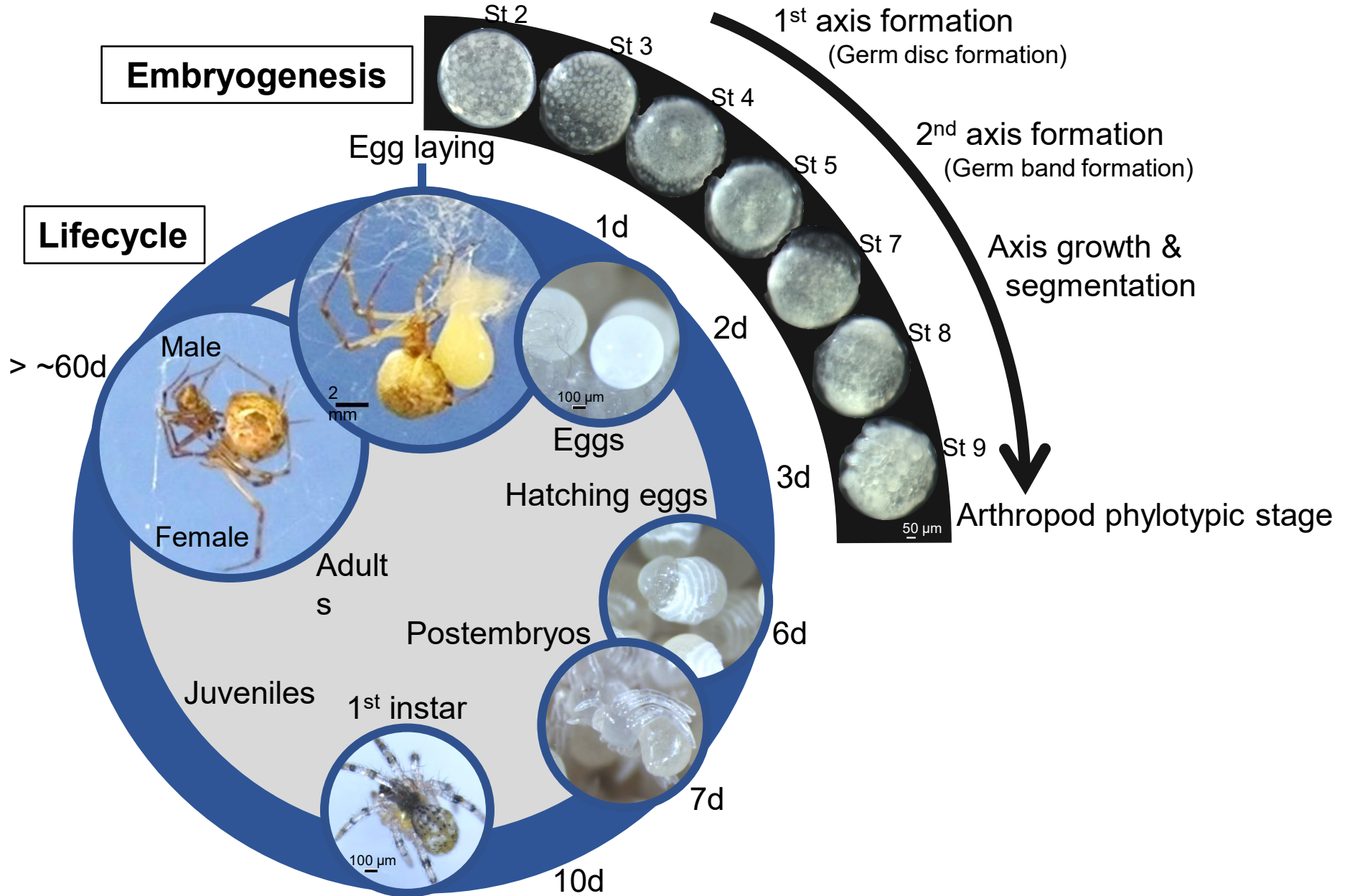
Parasteatoda tepidariorum

200-300 eggs in an egg sac



The common house spider *Parasteatoda tepidariorum*

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Shared characteristics of arthropod body structures
formed in early embryos

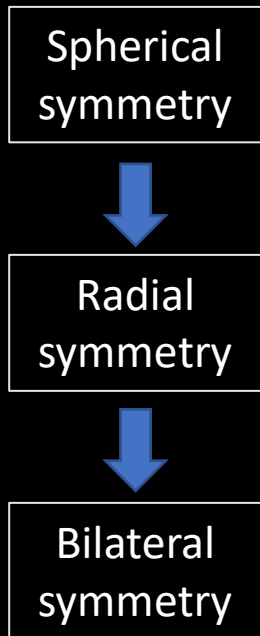
Body Axes

anterior-posterior/dorsal-ventral

Repetitive Units

called segments

Live embryo of the spider *Parasteatoda tepidariorum*



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Three experiments that can affect body axes formation

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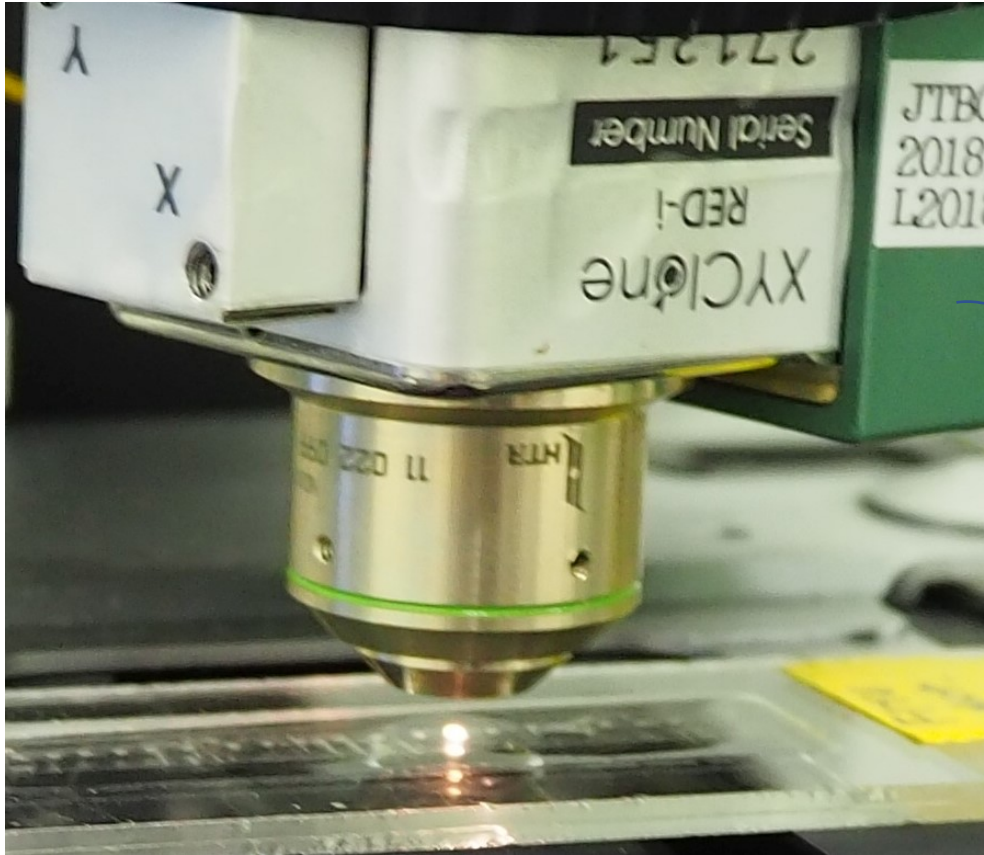
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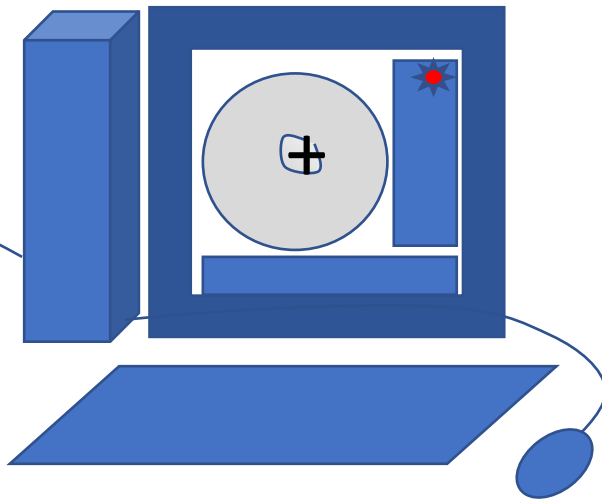
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Kill cells in a target region of spider embryo

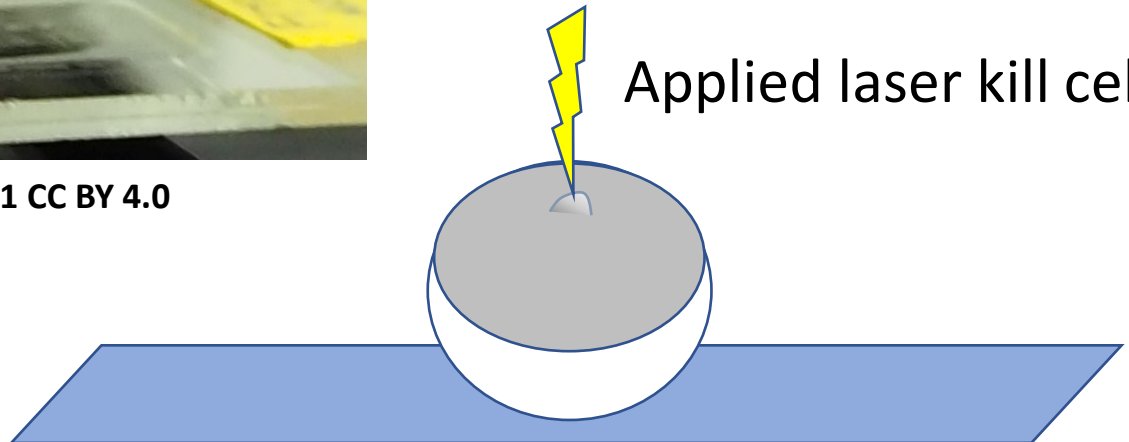
Laser ablation system



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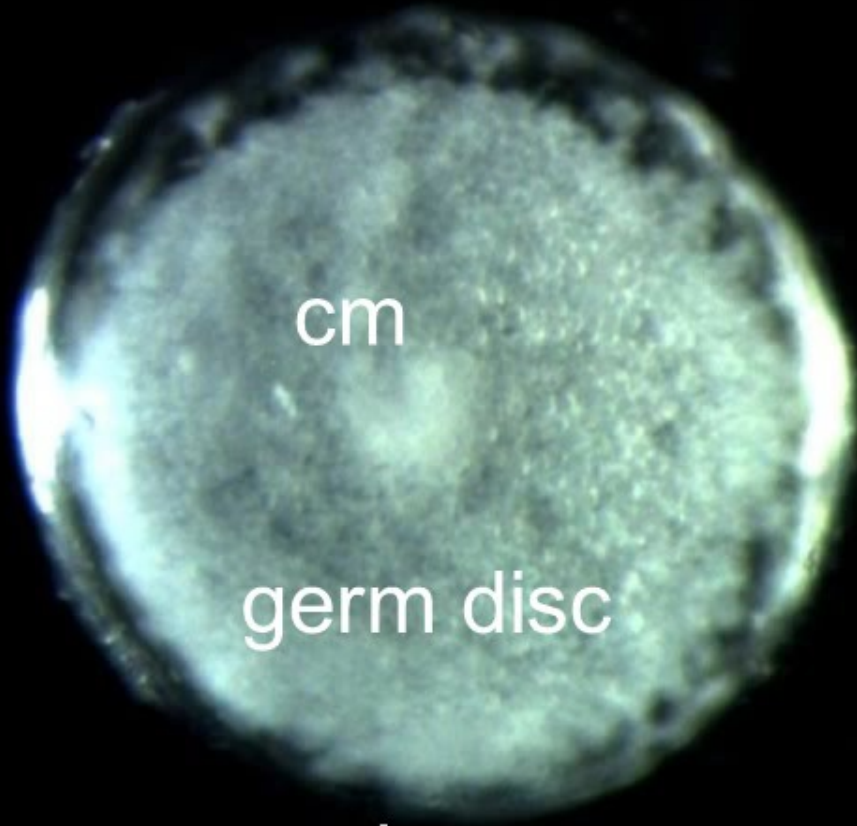


Applied laser kill cells



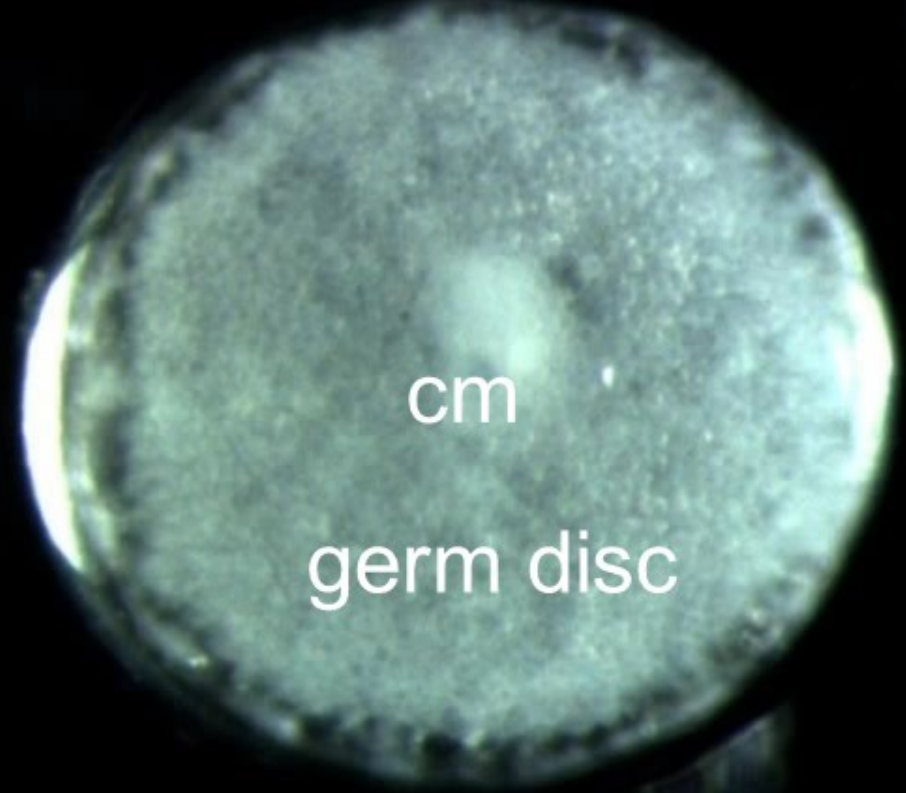
If you kill the entire cumulus cells at the center of the disc,
the formation of the body axes is delayed

Normal development



cm, cumulus

Affected development



Before laser irradiation

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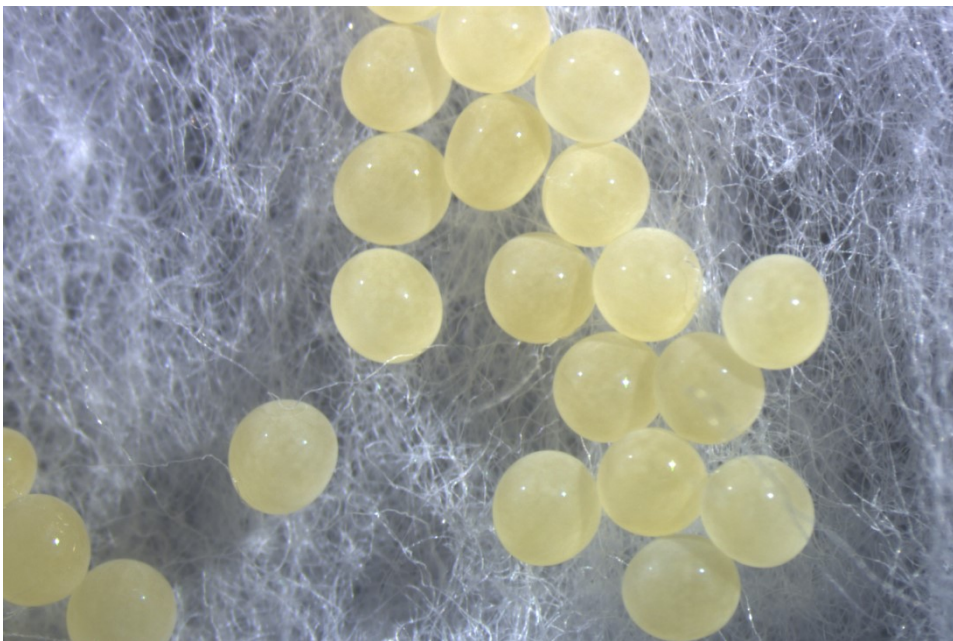


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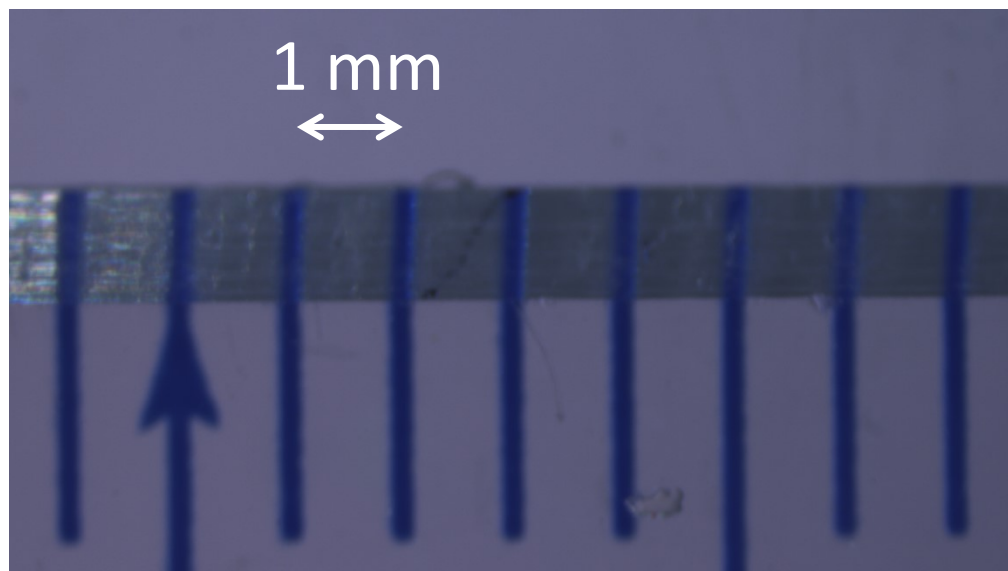
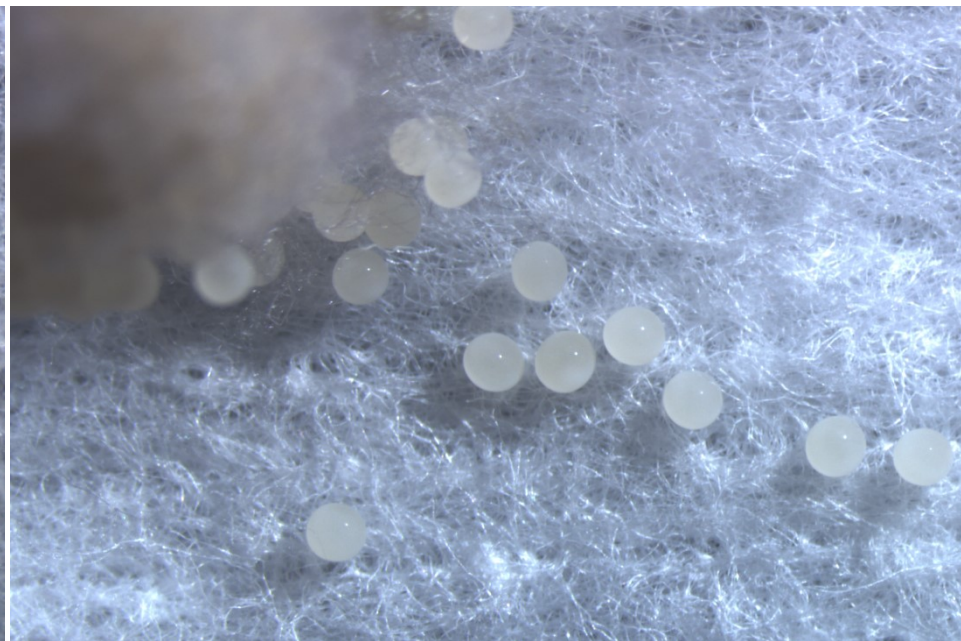
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Jumping spider's eggs



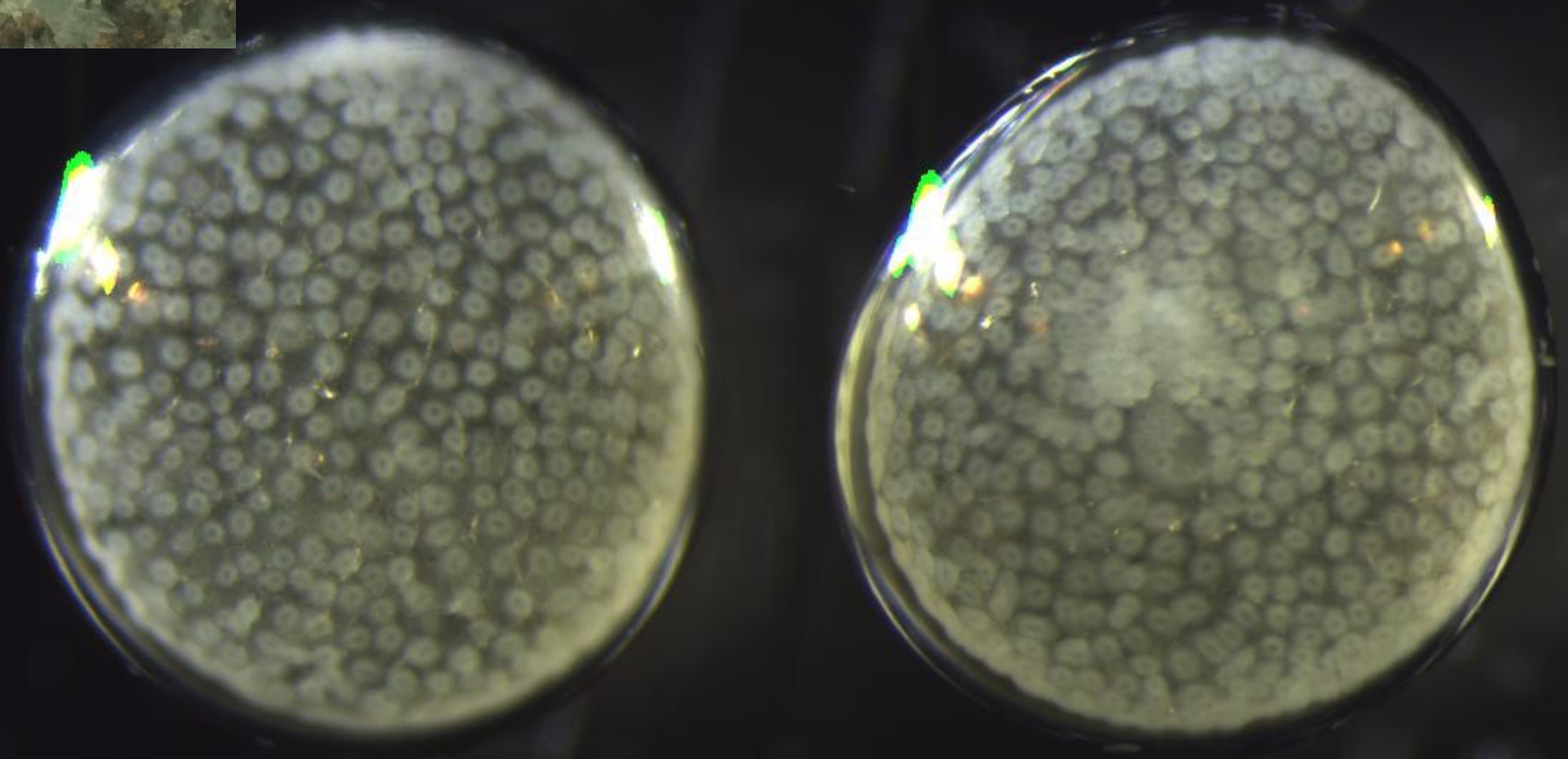
House spider's eggs



Embryogenesis of the jumping spider

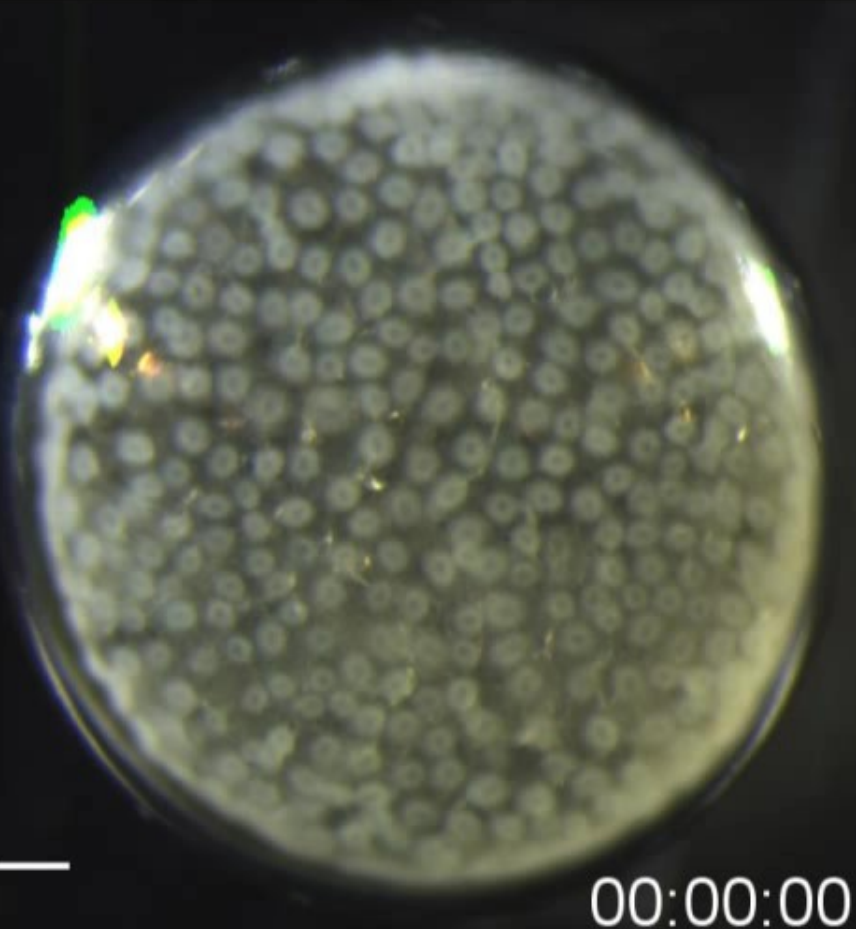


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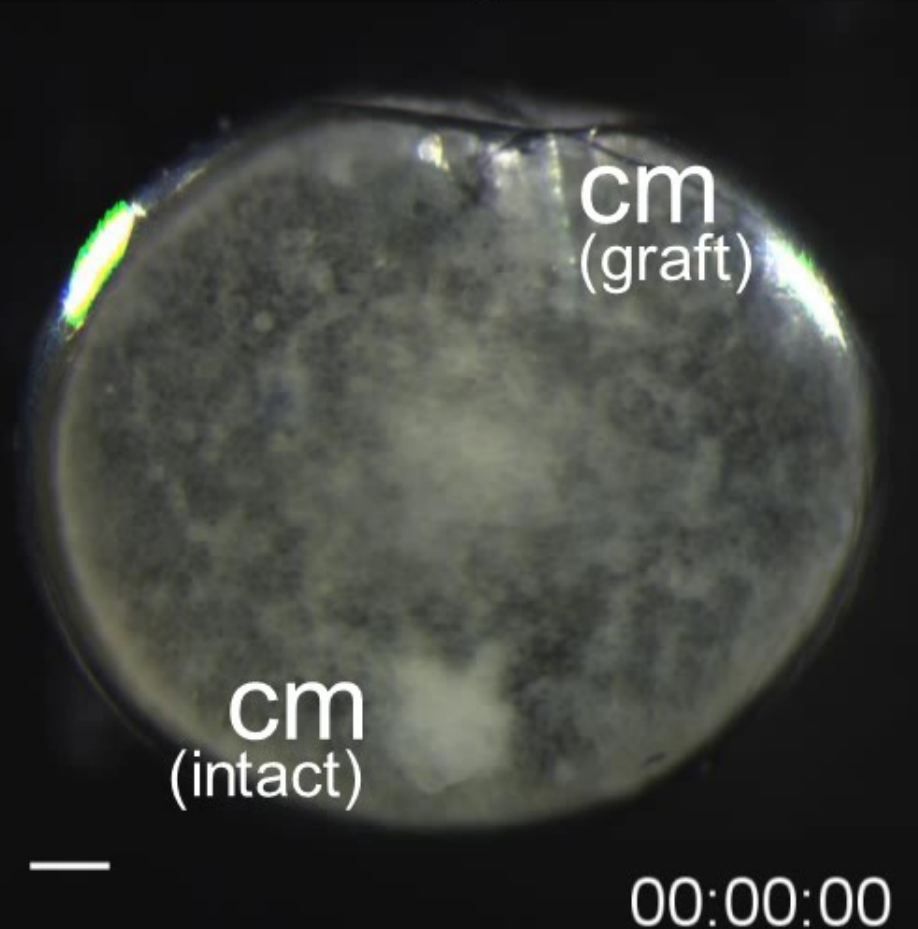


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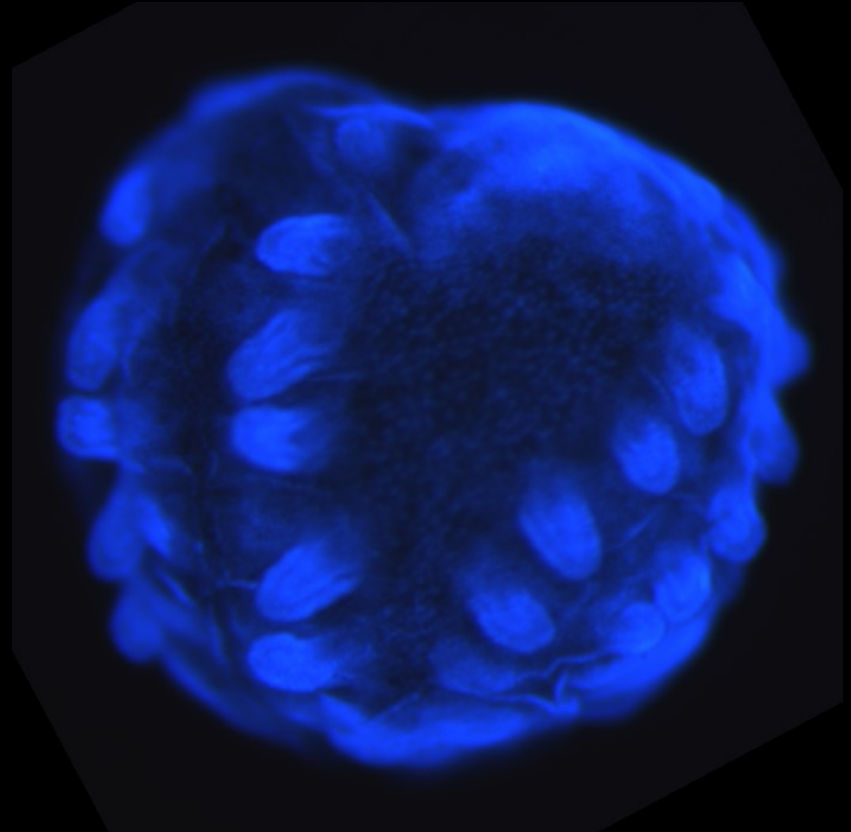
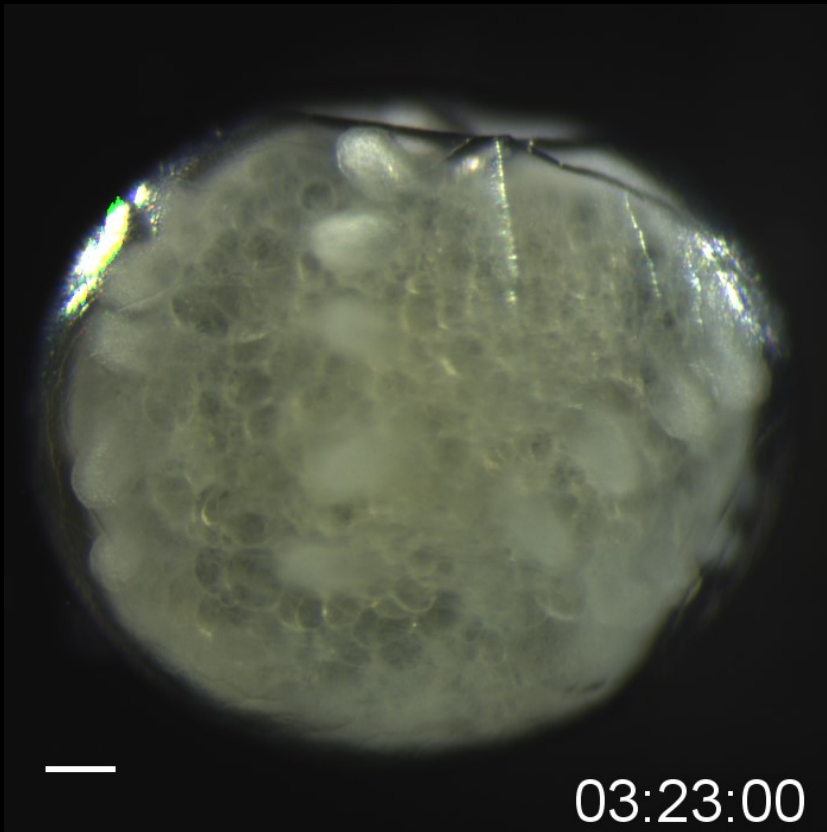


Cumulus grafted



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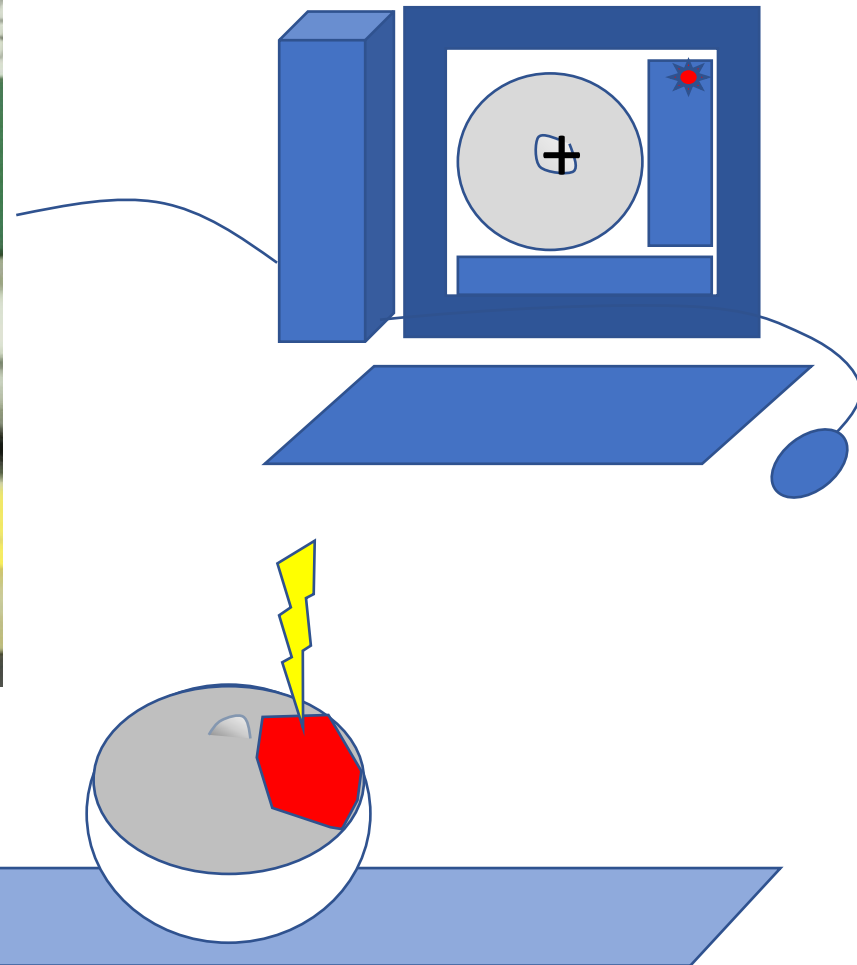
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Laser ablation of a large region that separates the left- and right-side fields

Laser ablation system



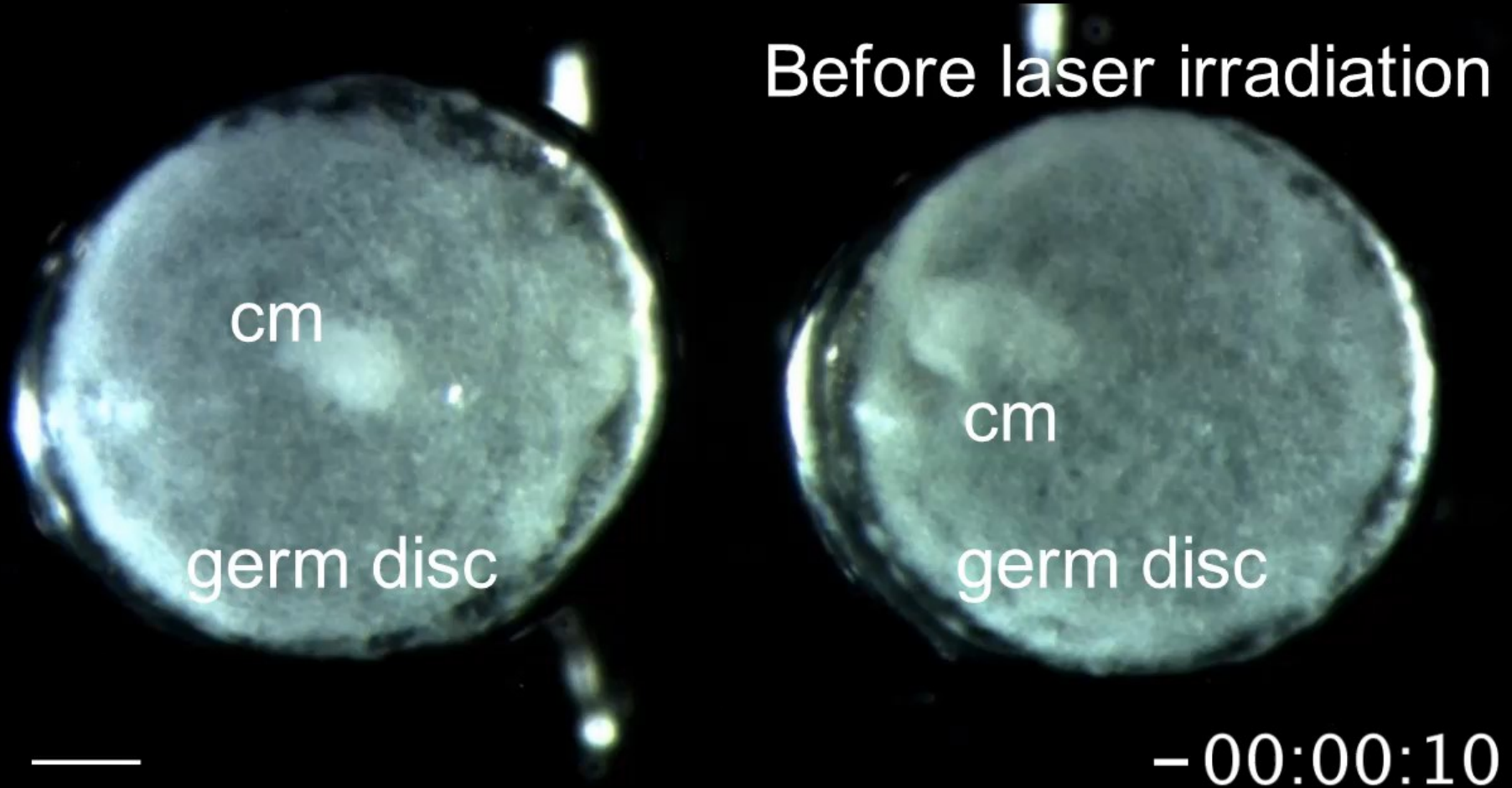
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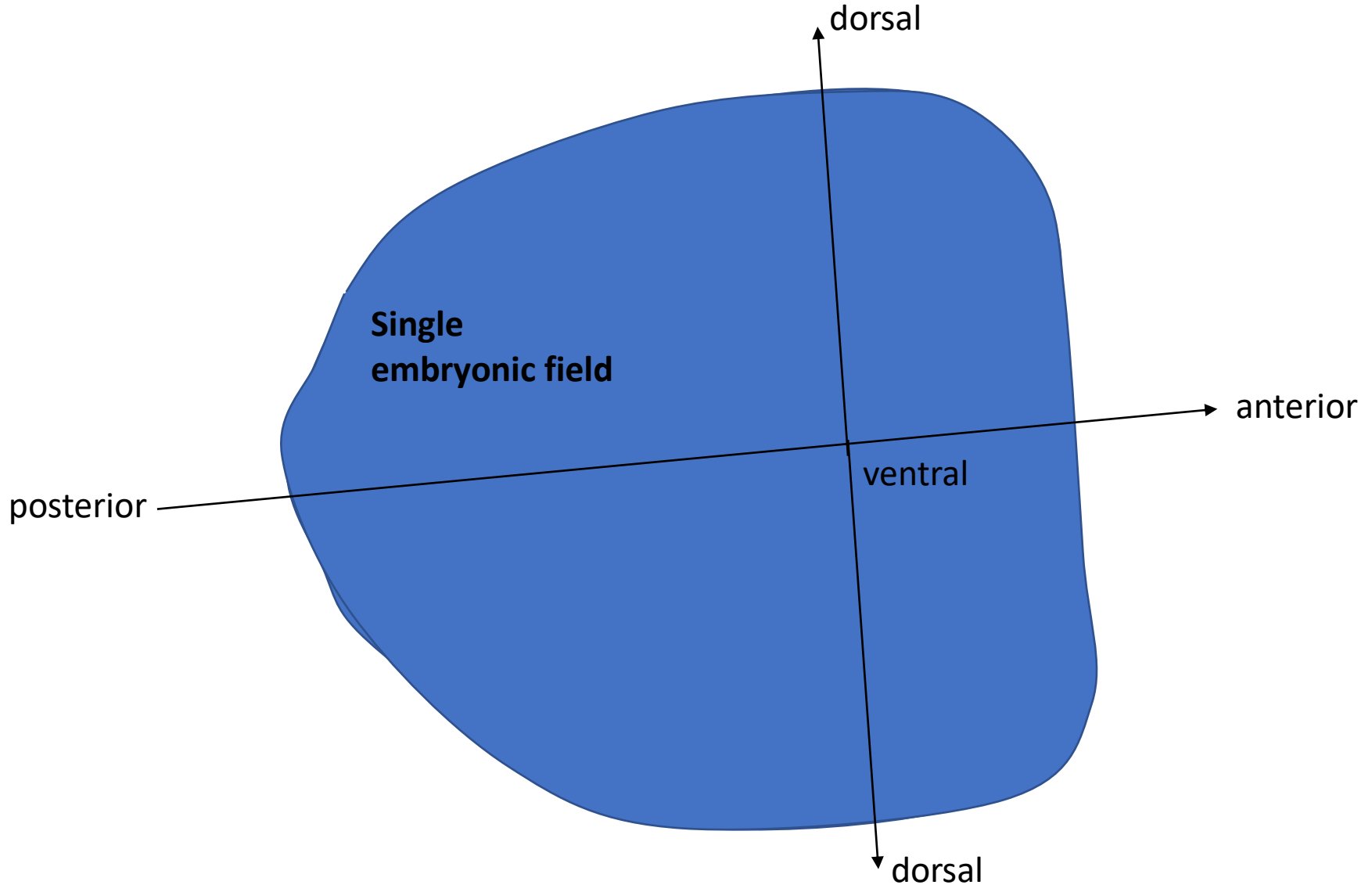
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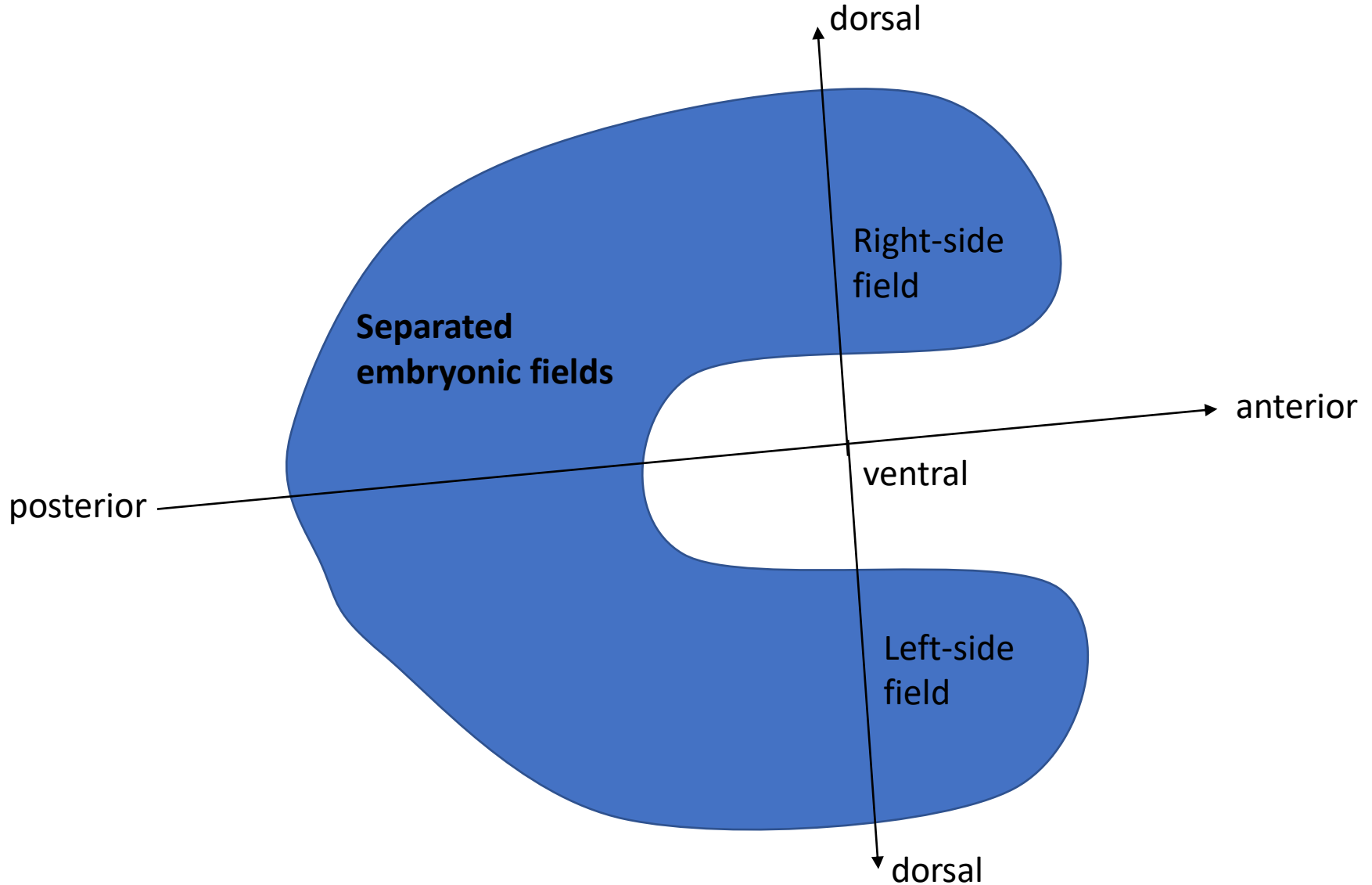


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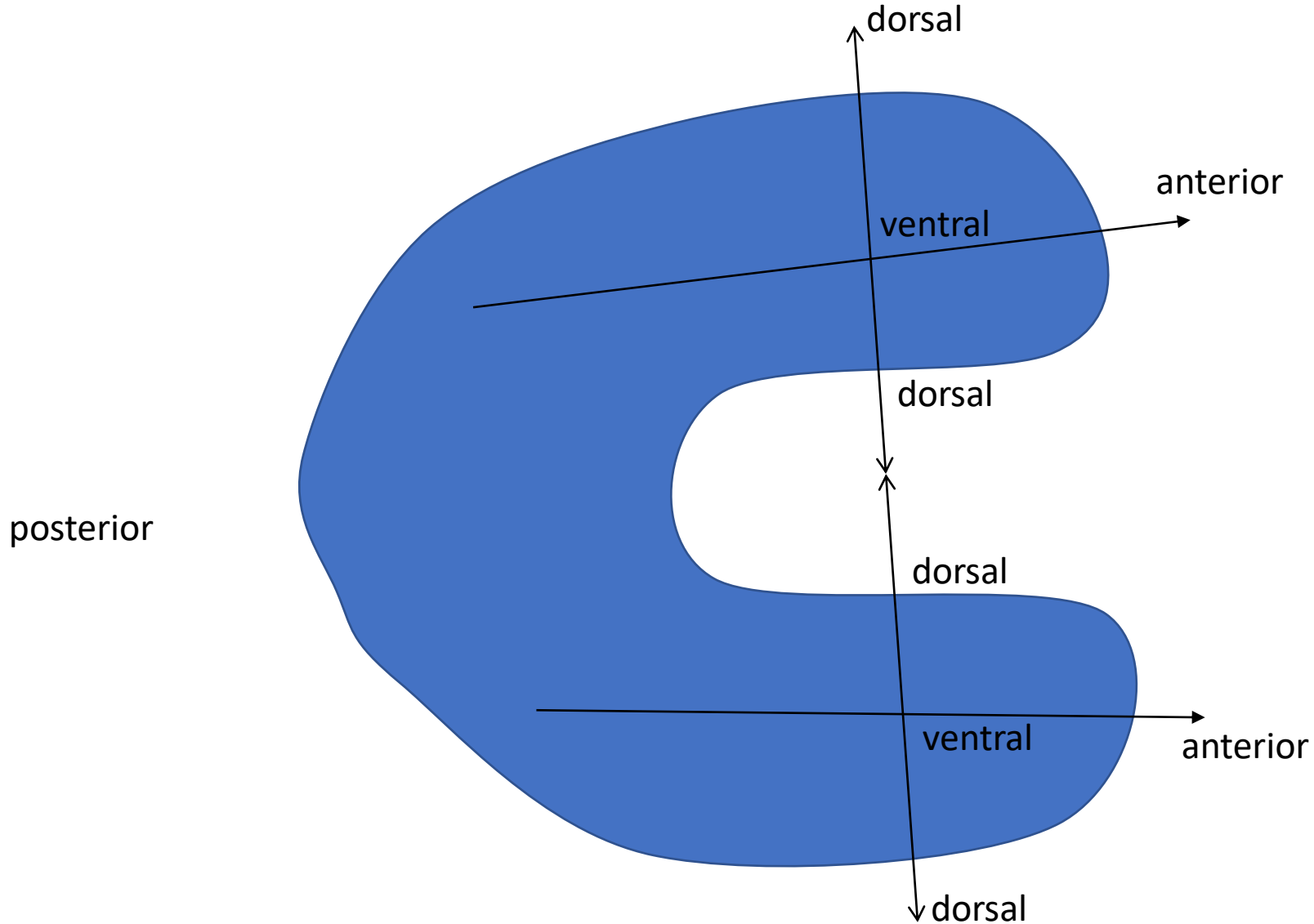
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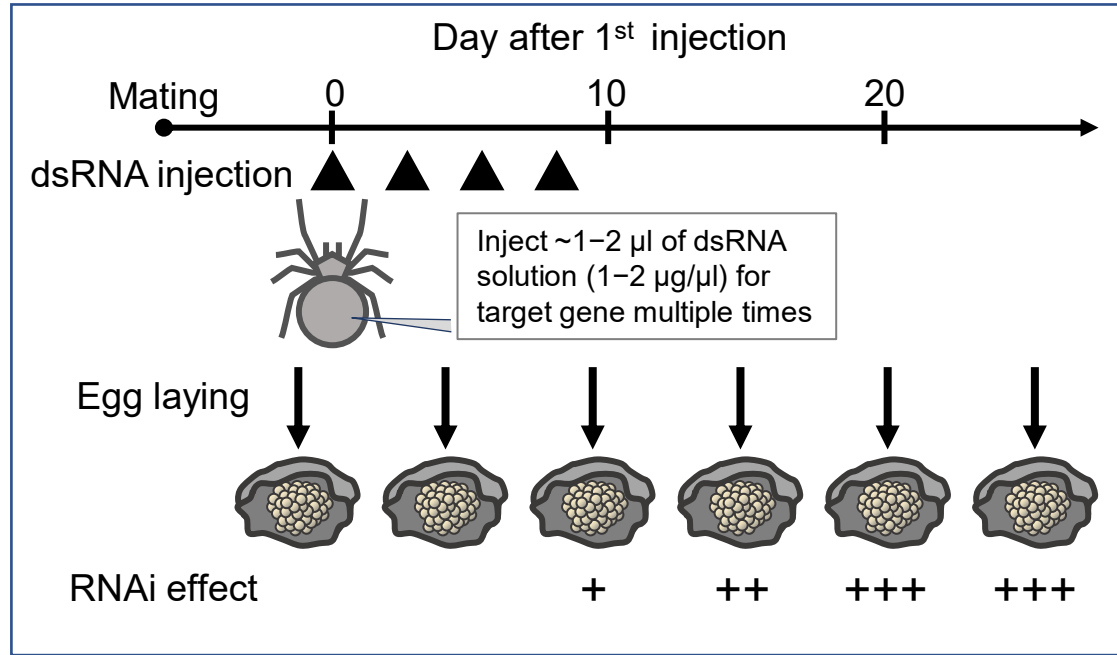
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Identification of genes involved in the formation of the body axes in the spider

Parental RNA interference, pRNAi, is a powerful technique in the spider



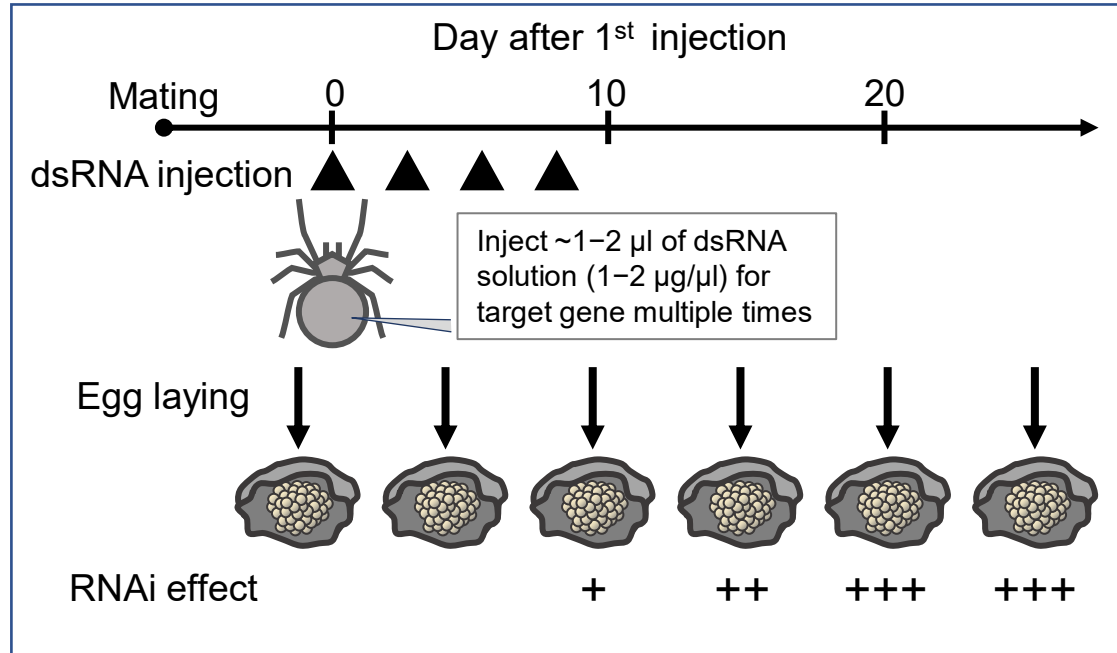
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Injection of dsRNA for parental RNA interference in the model spider *Parasteatoda tepidariorum*

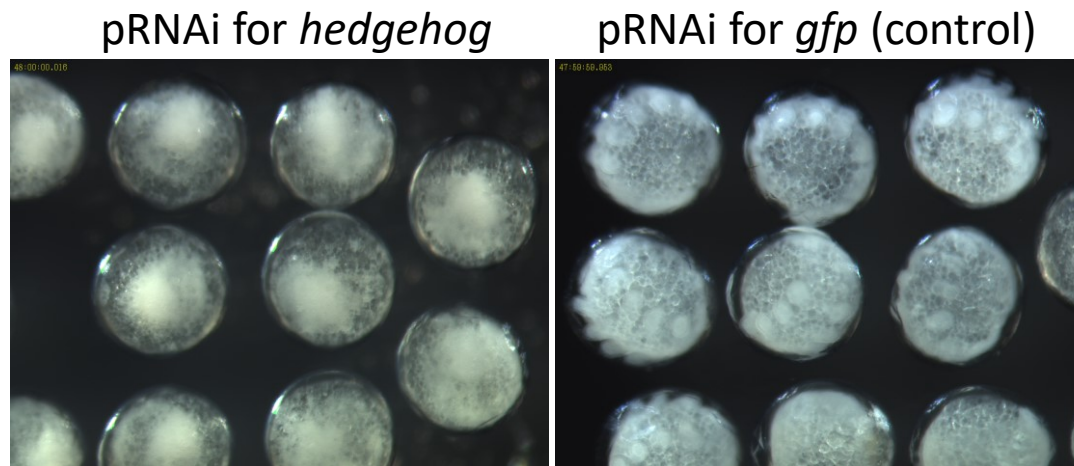
The method first described
by Akiyama-Oda and Oda (Development 2006, 133: 2347-57)

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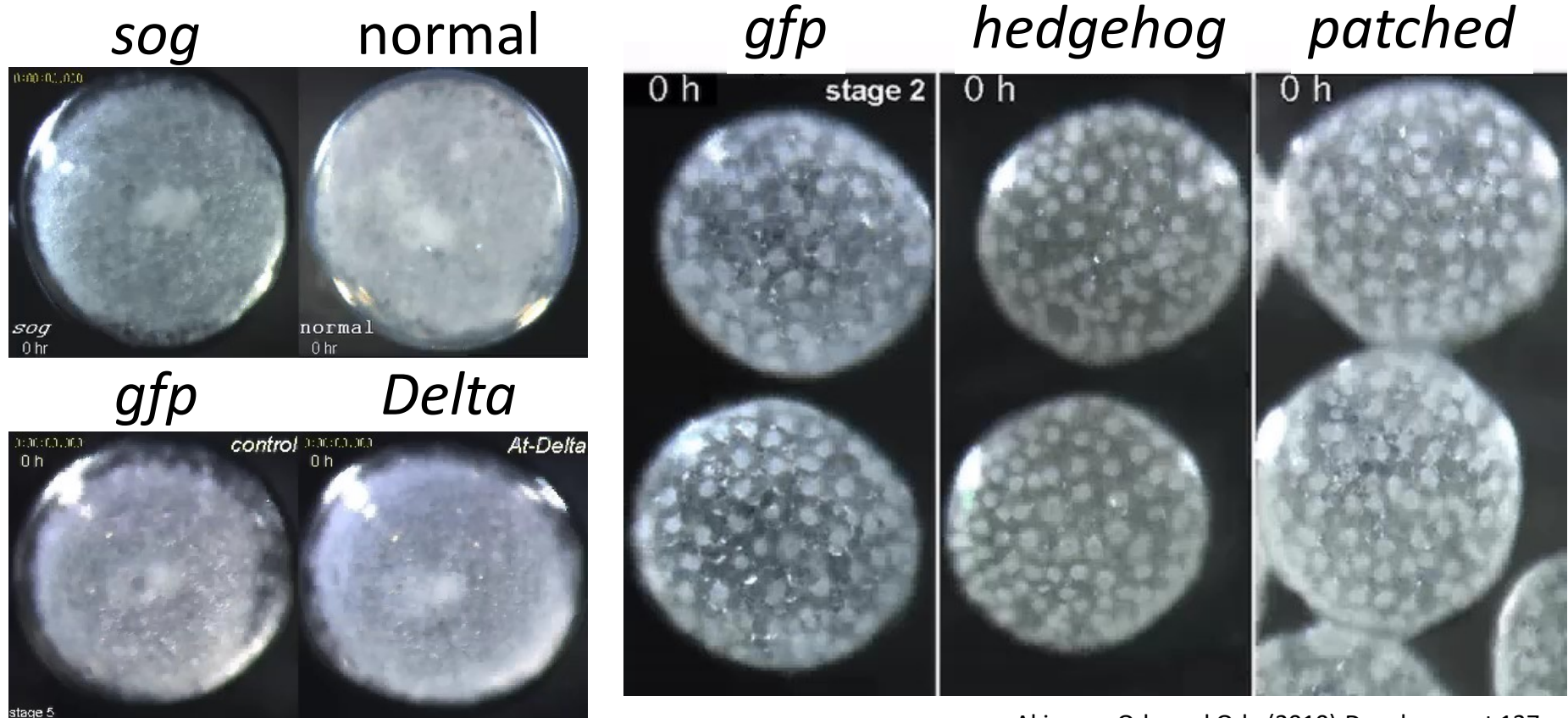
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Easy to analyze gene functions

Parental RNAi that affects the body axes



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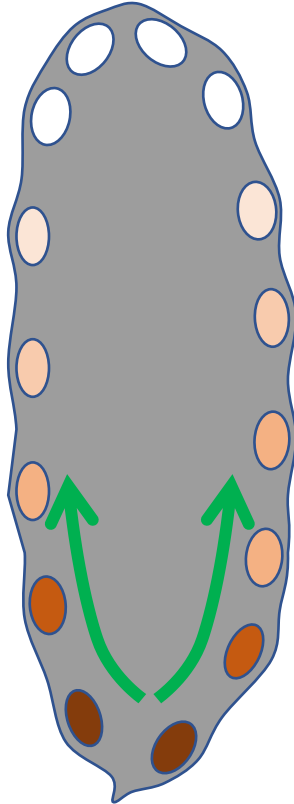
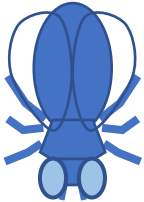
Morphogens operate

inside the cell

vs

outside the cells

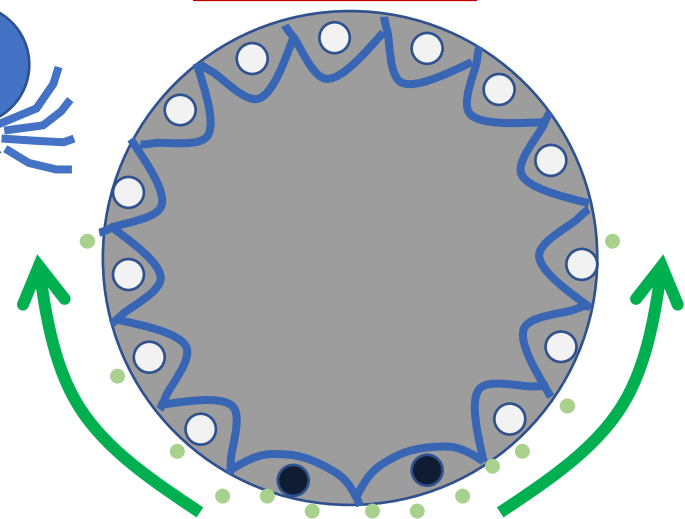
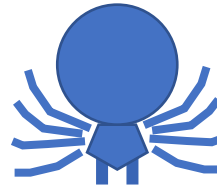
Posterior



Anterior

Bicoid
(transcription factor)

Syncytial



Hedgehog
(secreted protein)

Cell-based

Basic characteristics of arthropod body structures
formed in early embryos

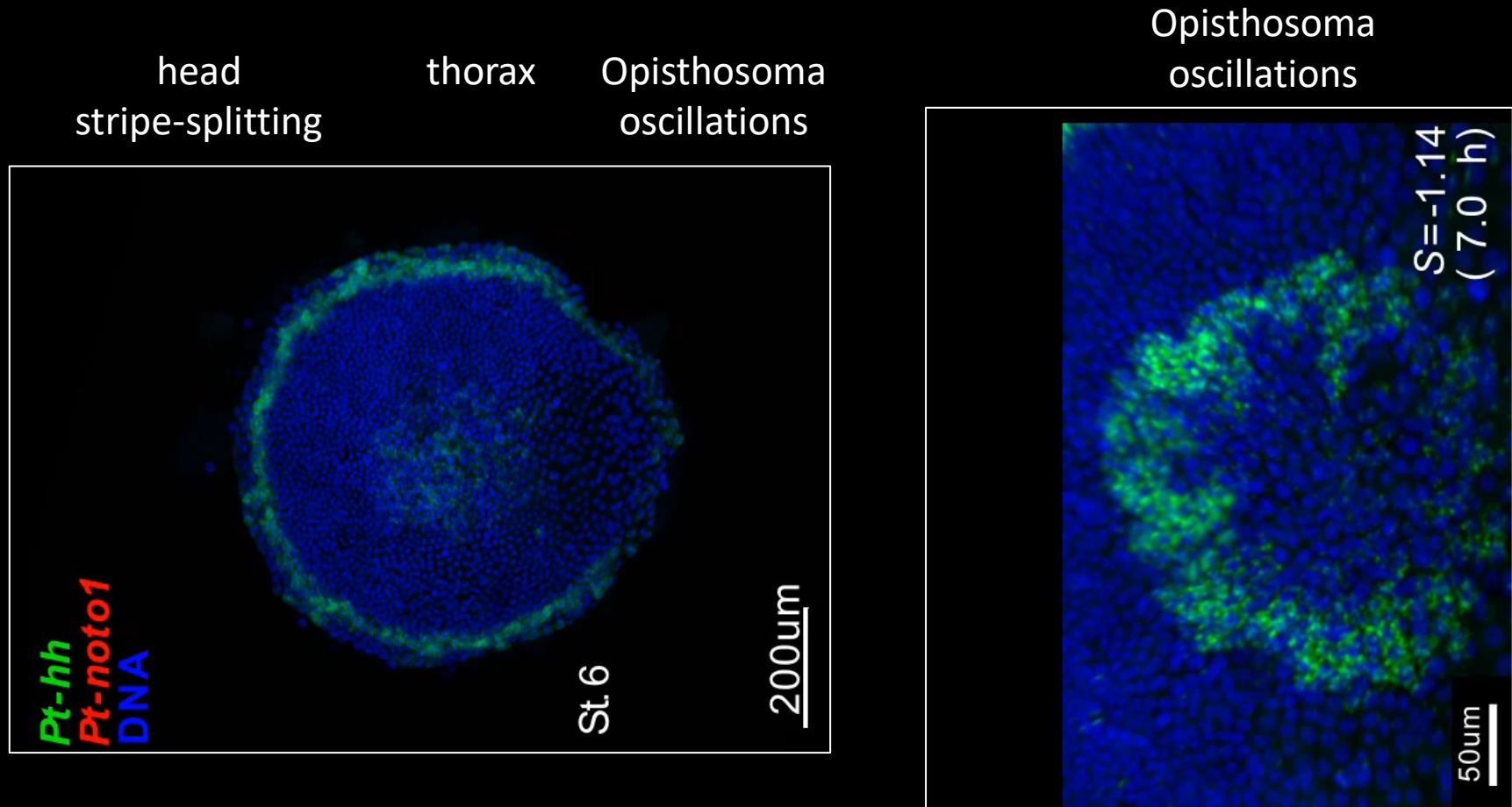
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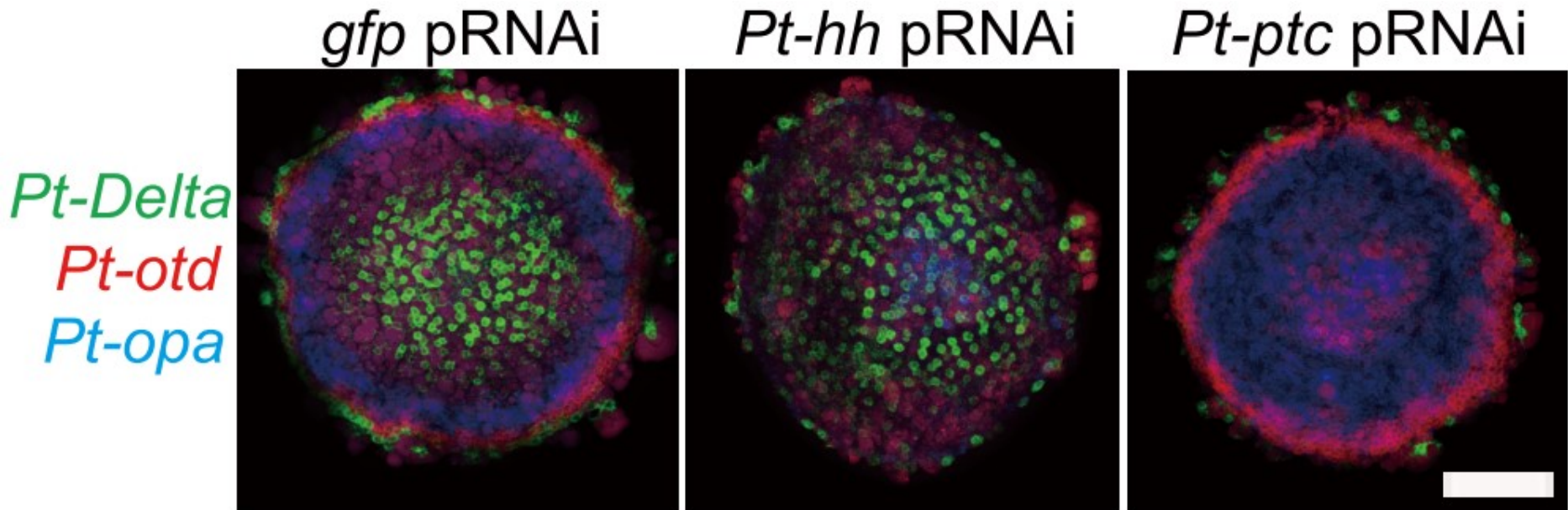
called segments

Diversity of dynamic processes generating periodic stripes (reconstructed by staining of sibling spider embryos)



Hh signaling plays a role in the formation of the total polarity in the spider embryo

before its components appear to function as segment polarity genes.

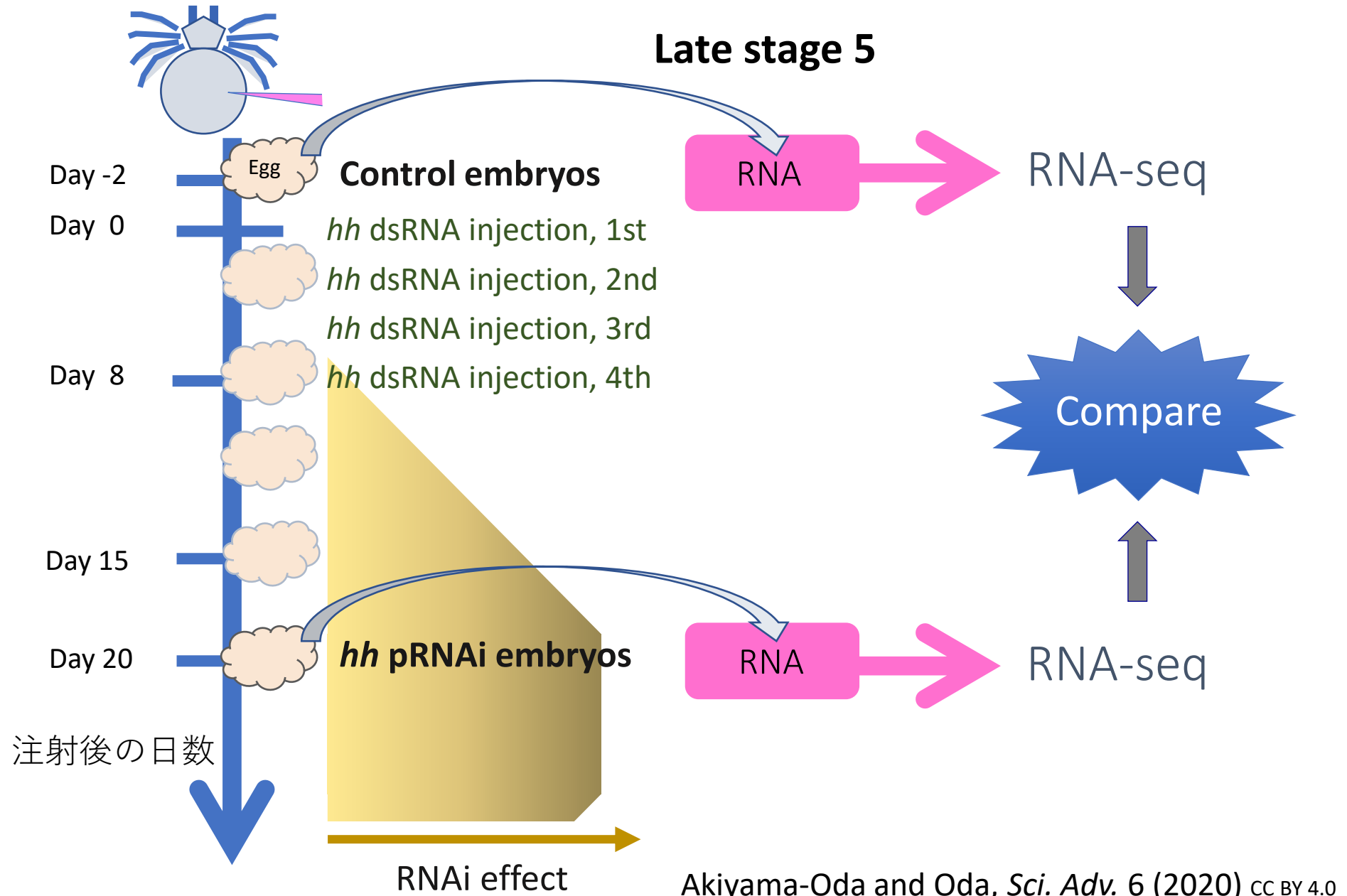


Akiyama-Oda and Oda, *Sci. Adv.* 6 (2020) CC BY 4.0

Double negative regulation and negative feedback



pRNAi and RNA-seq enables genome-wide gene discovery



Genome-wide identification of *hedgehog* signaling targets



pRNAi for *hh* and *ptc*



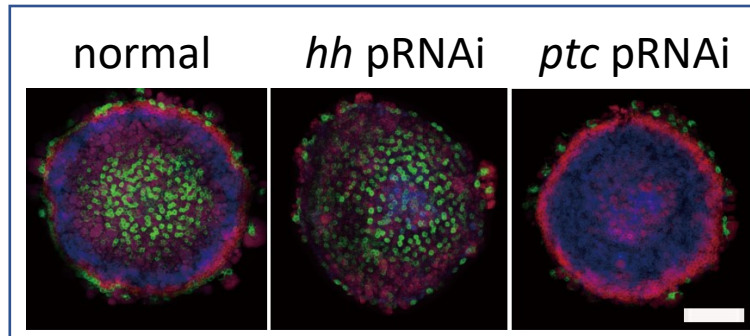
Egg laying

hh pRNAi embryos

ptc pRNAi embryos

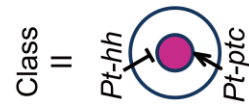
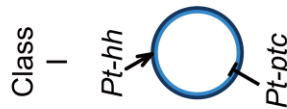


Identify differentially expressed genes by RNA sequencing

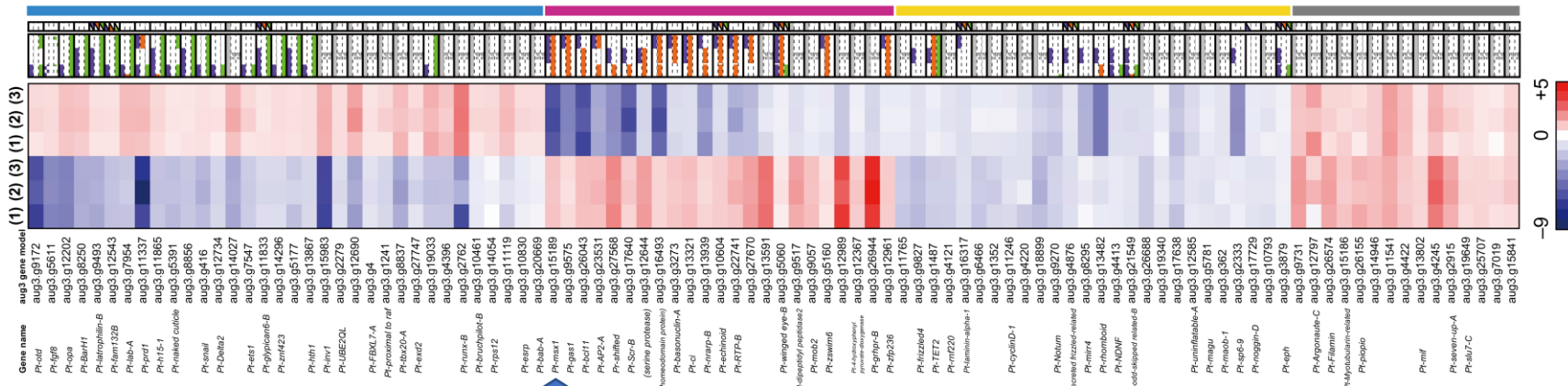


Positively regulated by *hh*

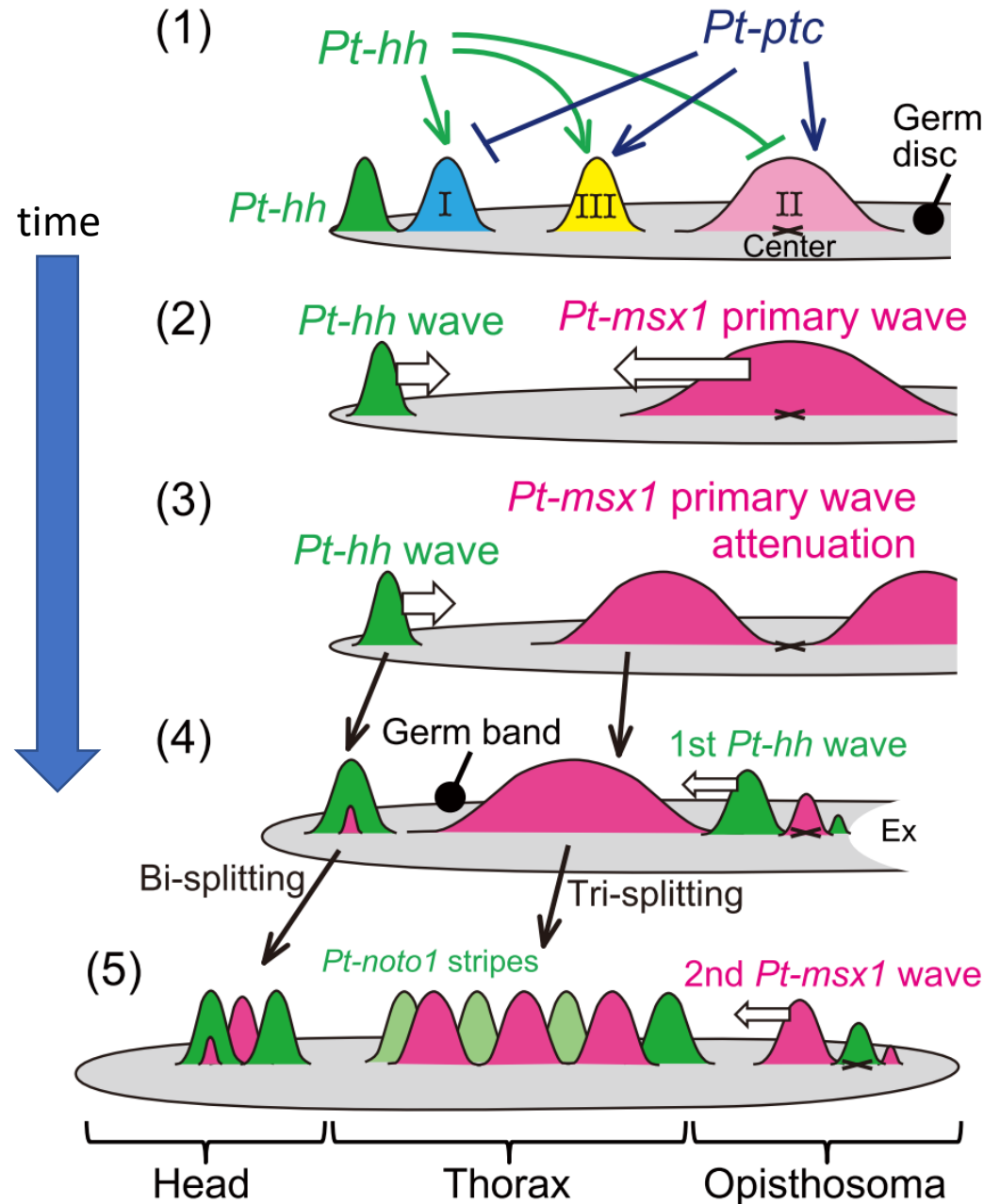
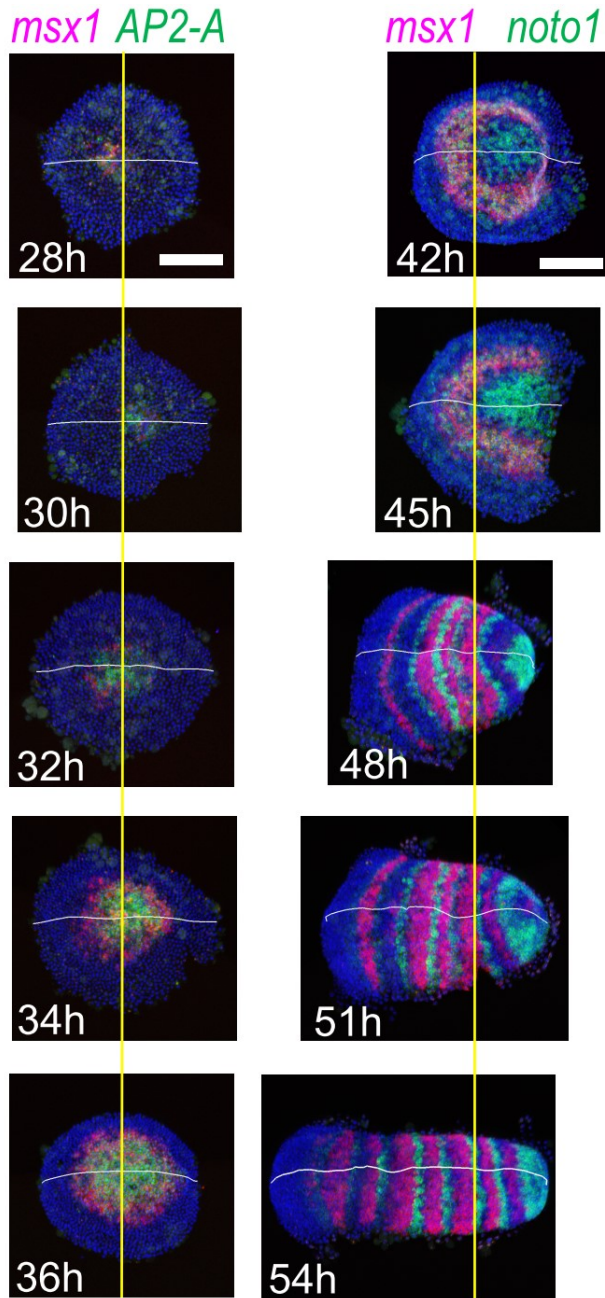
Negatively regulated by *hh*



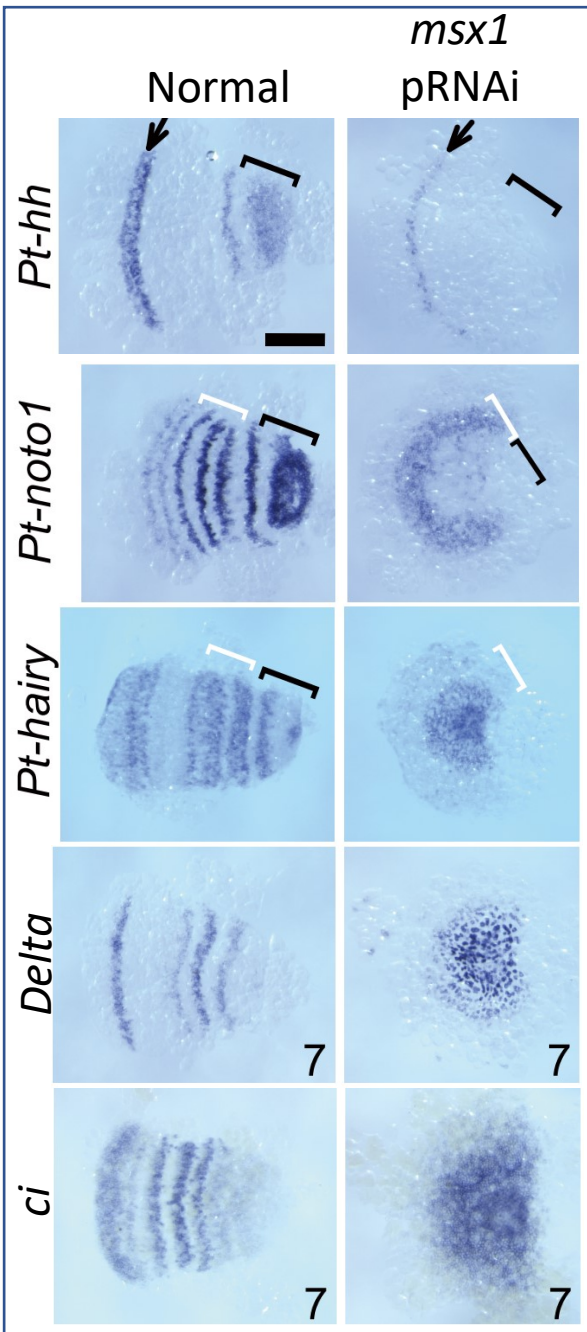
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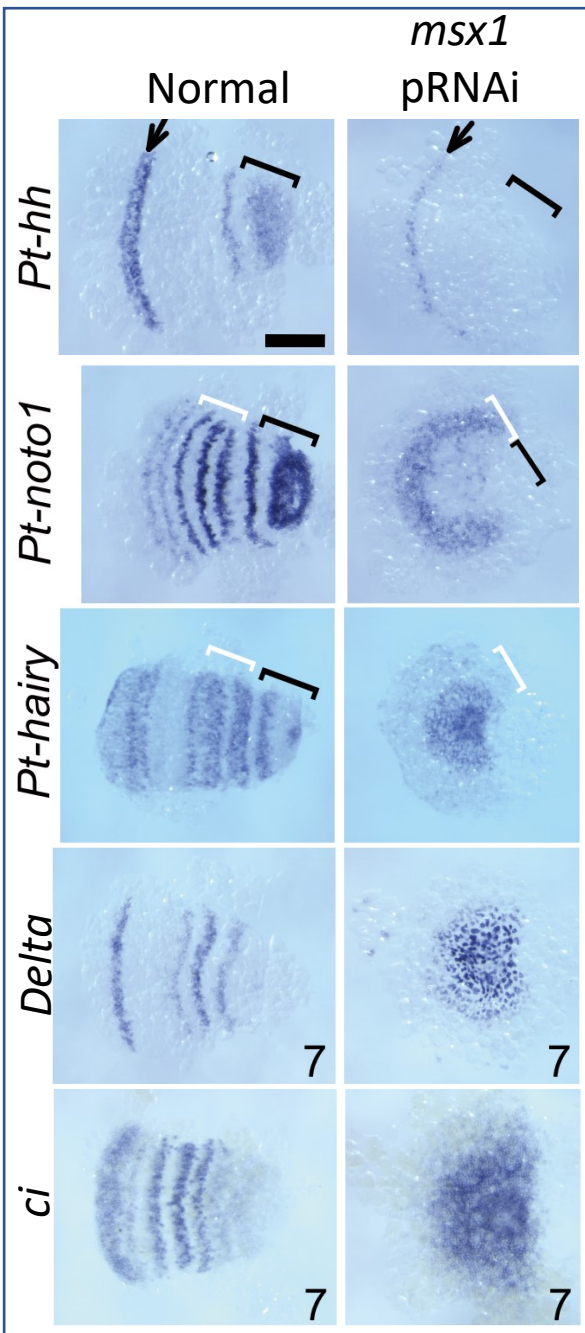
Embryo shows dynamic *msx1* expression giving rise to spatial periodicity



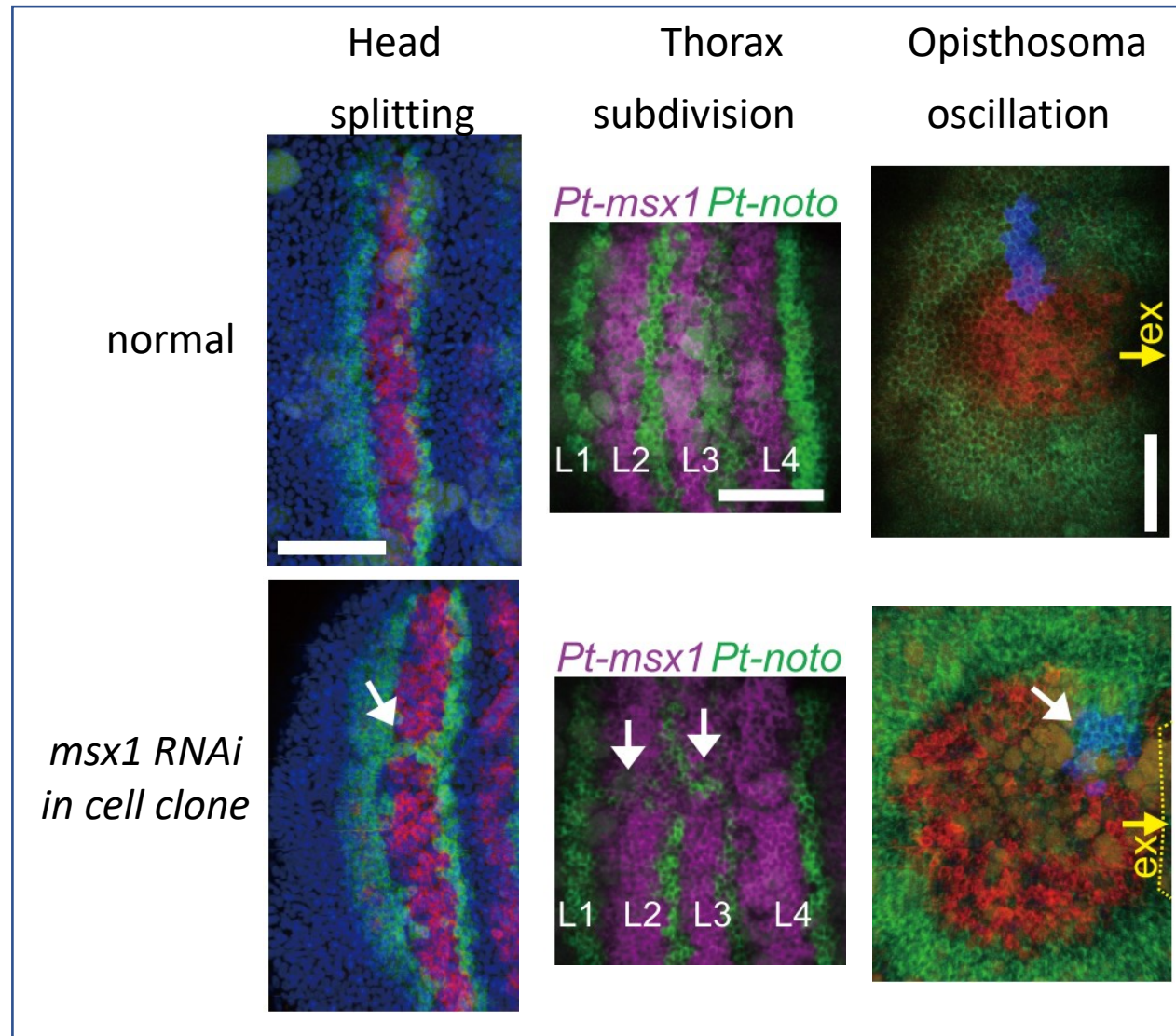
All dynamic processes that generate spatial periodicity are blocked by *msx1* knockdown



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msx1 gene suppression in cell clones (see arrows)



What differs between fly and spider?

Insect (fruit fly)



Chelicerate (spider)



Gene expression behaves like waves

Temporal repetition gives rise to spatial repetition

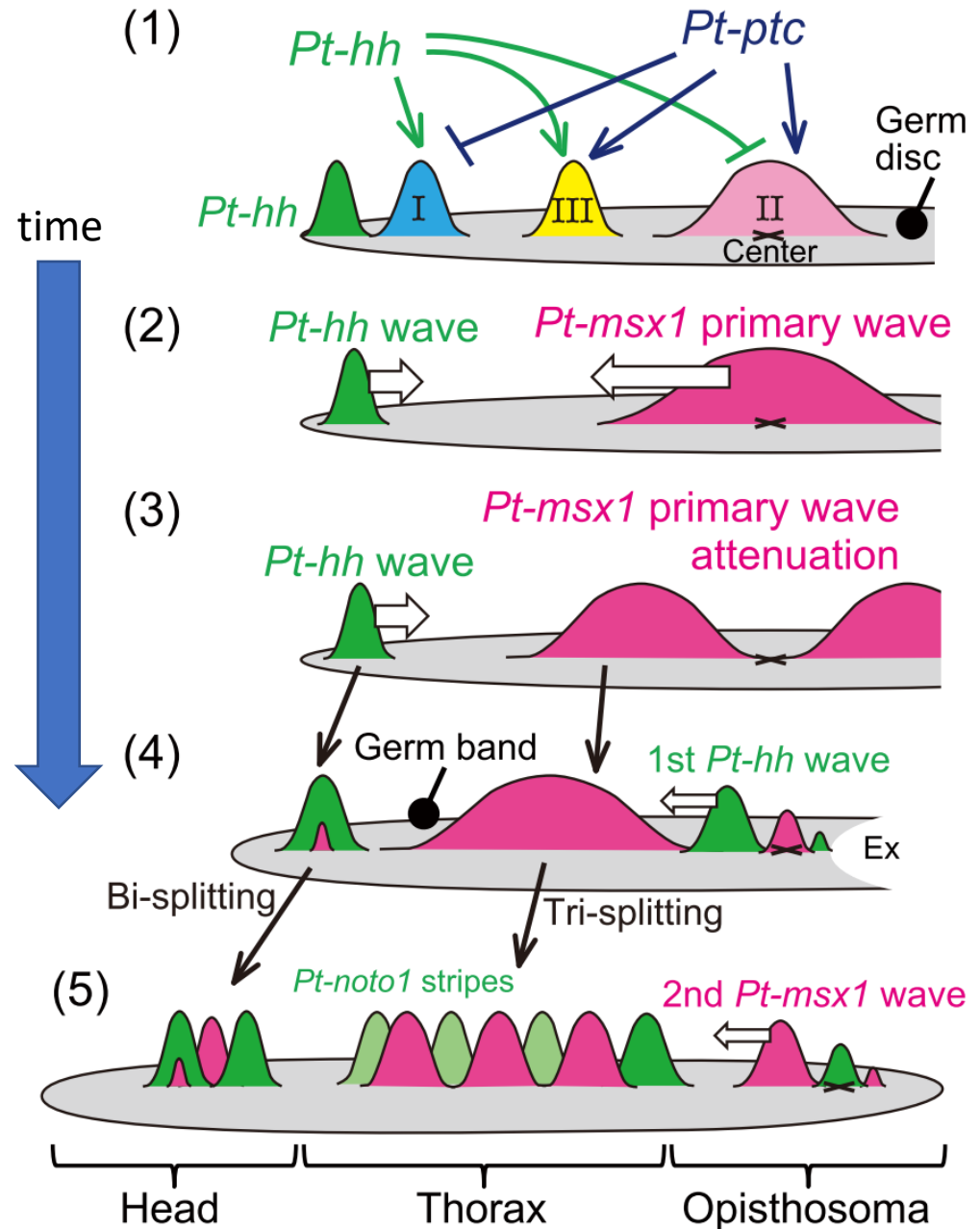
There are different modes of gene expression dynamics depending on the body regions

The possible causes of the differences

Nature of the field (syncytium vs cells)

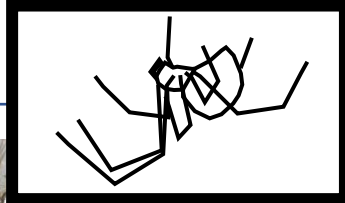
Nature of morphogen/signal

Historical aspects (derived vs ancestral)

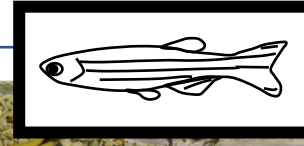


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