

Centrosomes and (asymmetric) cell division in “normal” and pathological conditions

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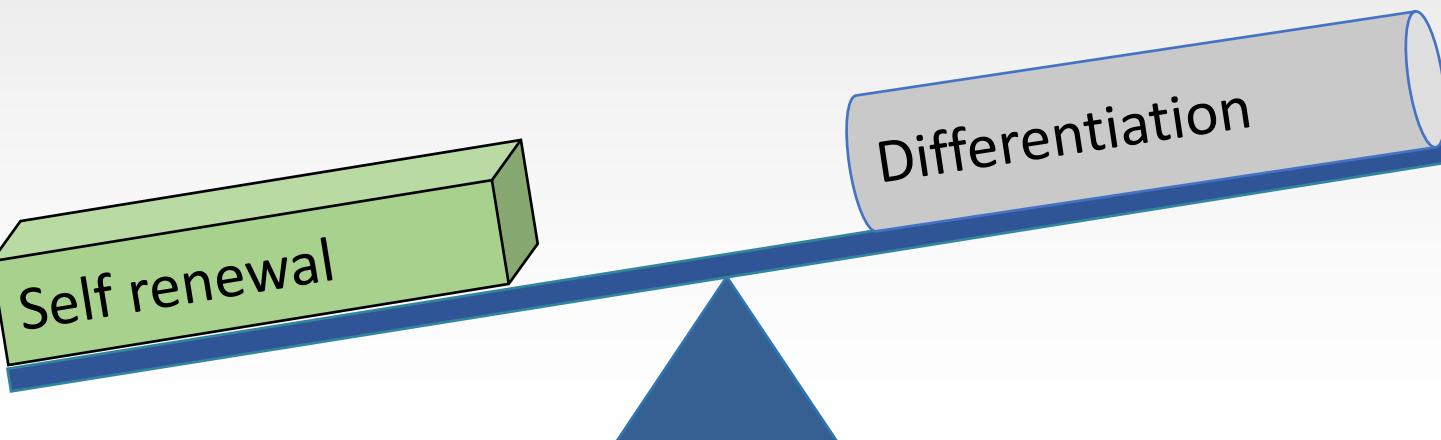
Asymmetric Cell Division (ACD): involved in cell differentiation, tissue morphogenesis and maintenance

Fertilized egg



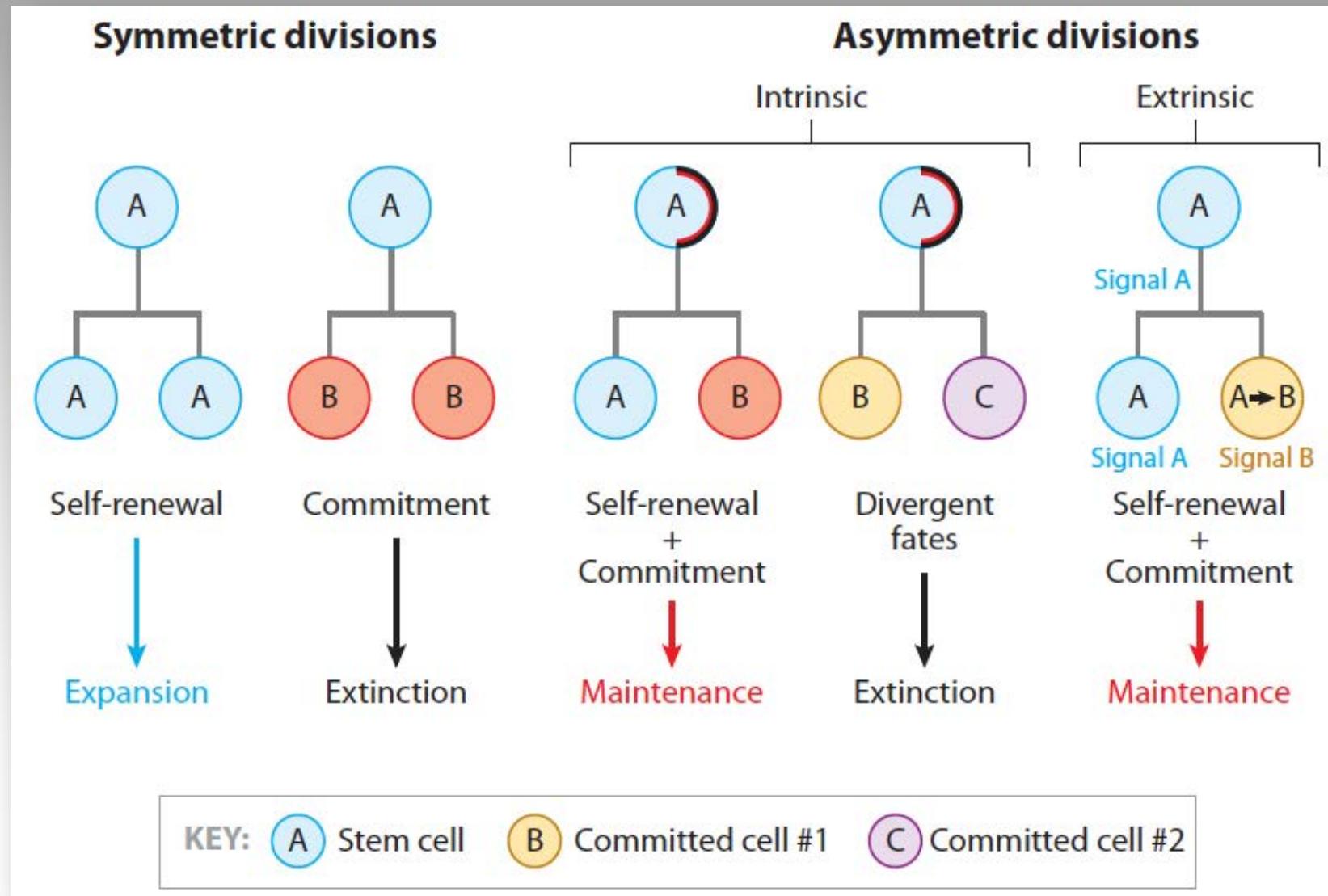
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Complex organism



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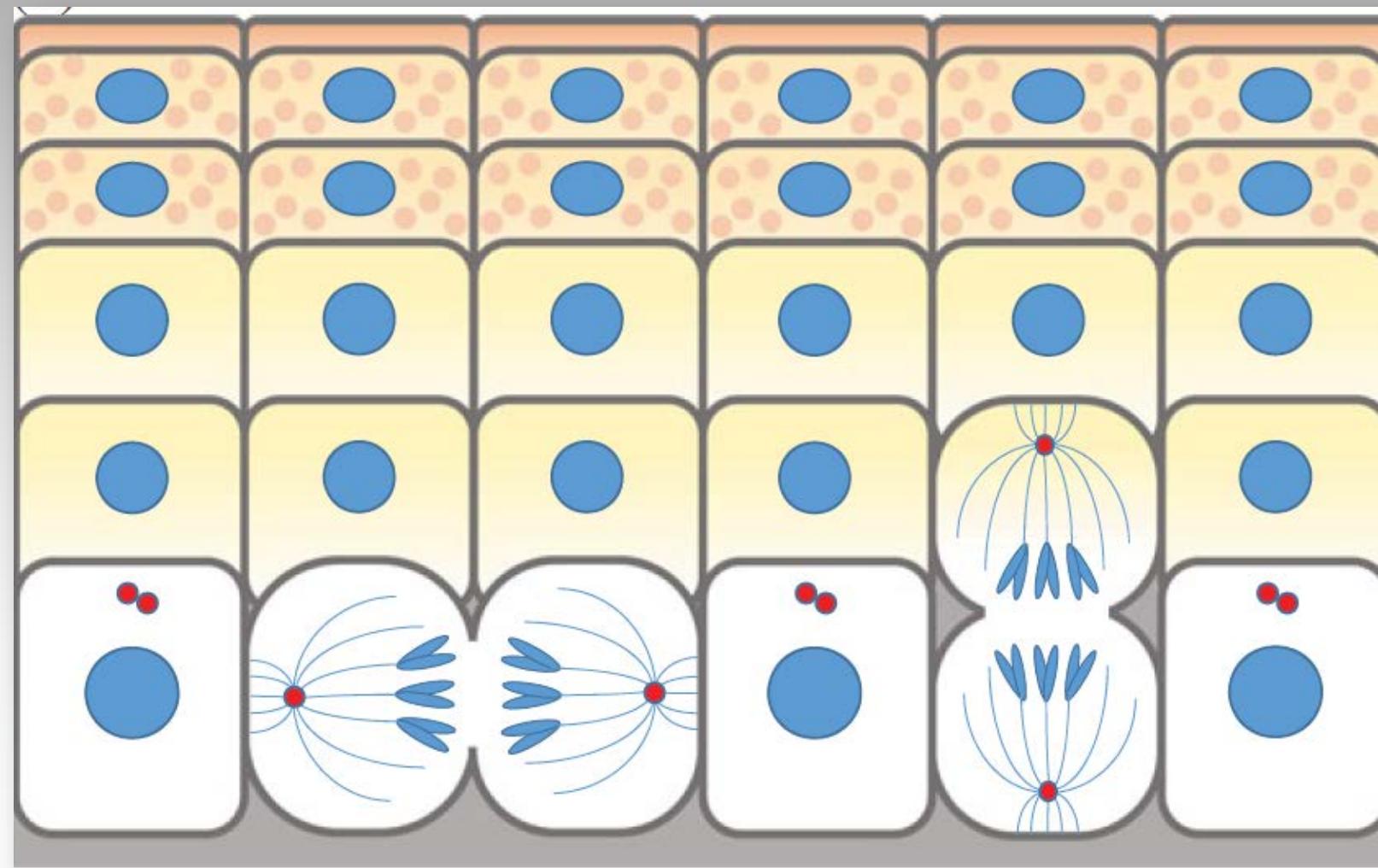
Most critical asymmetry for ACD are the one of fate determining factors



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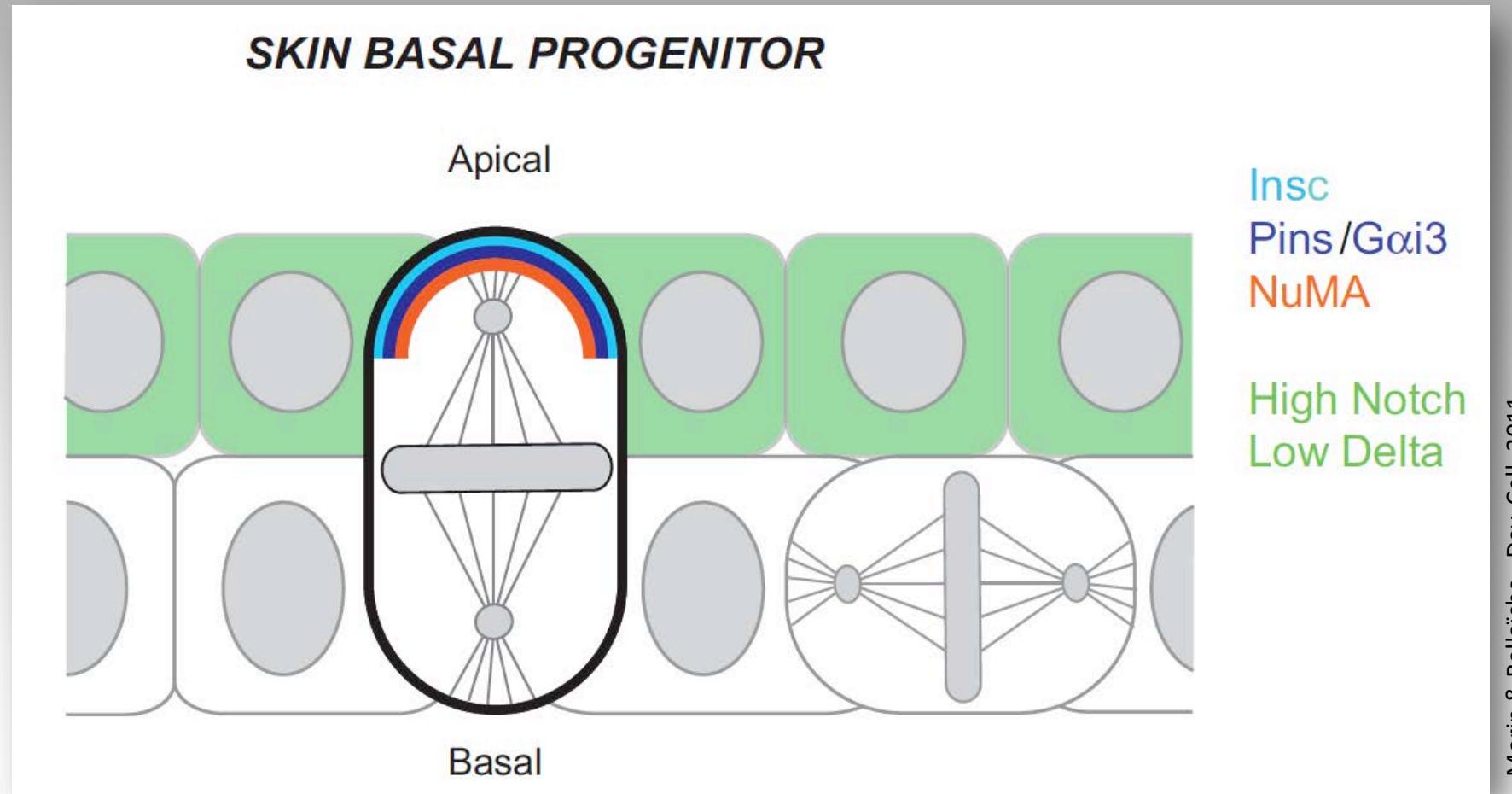
A second essential aspect is the **orientation of cell division plan, thus of the mitotic spindle, in respect to fate determining factors**

Epidermis



ACD requires proper spindle orientation

Spindle orientation is mediated by interaction of astral microtubules with cortical protein complexes and cues

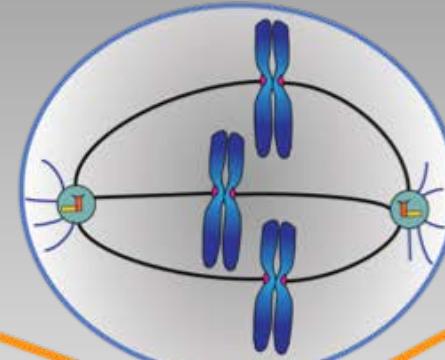


Morin & Bellaïche, Dev. Cell, 2011

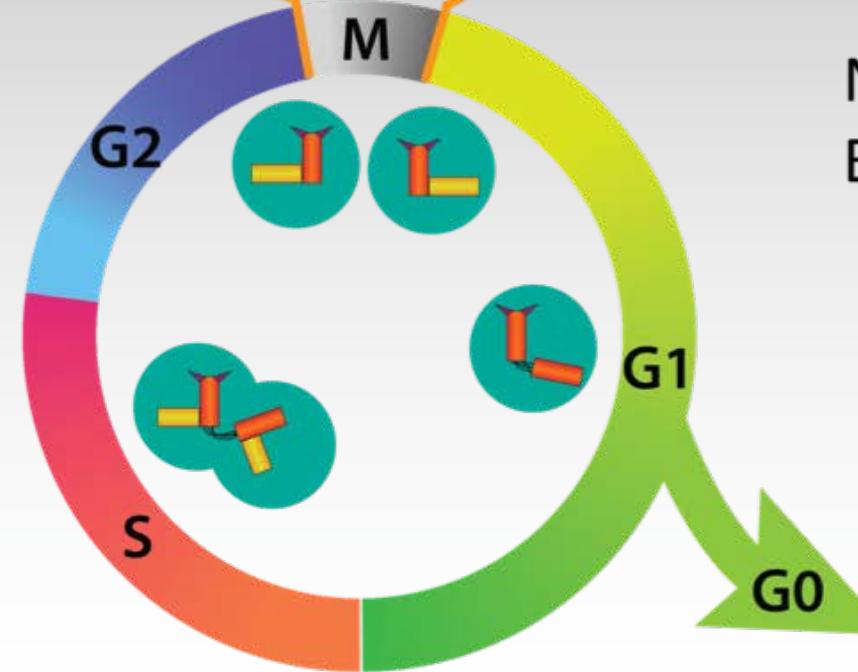
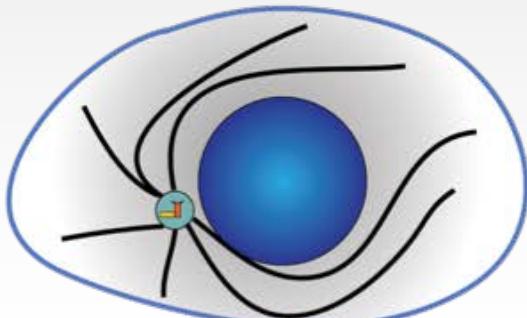
Contribution of Centrosomes to ACD?

The Centrosome: a Multi-functional Organelle

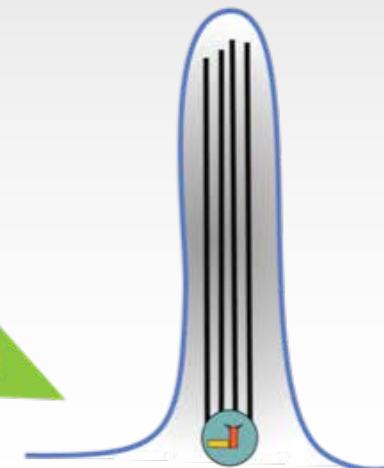
Mitotic spindle



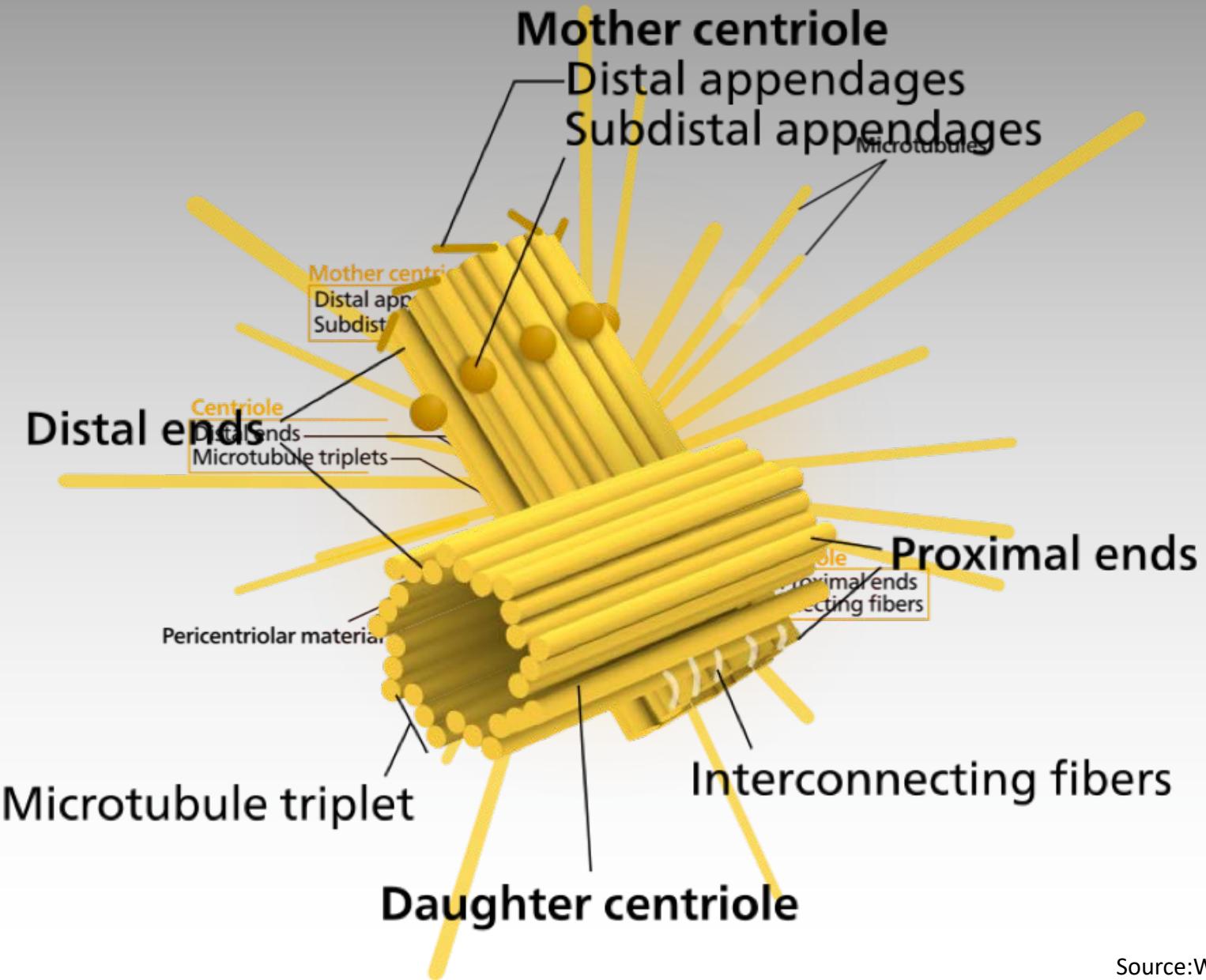
Interphase microtubule network



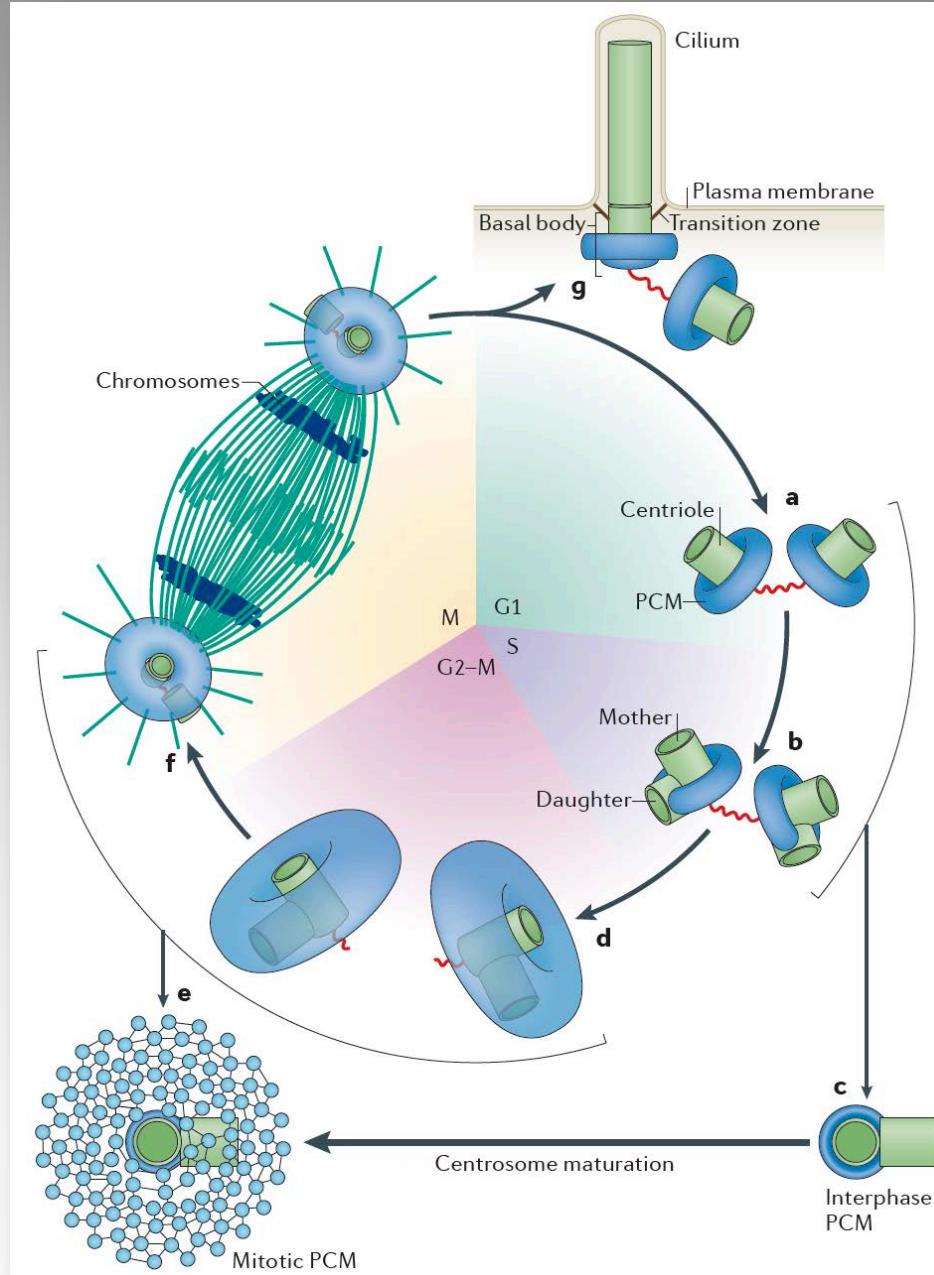
Non cycling cells:
Basal body/cilia



The Centrosome structure



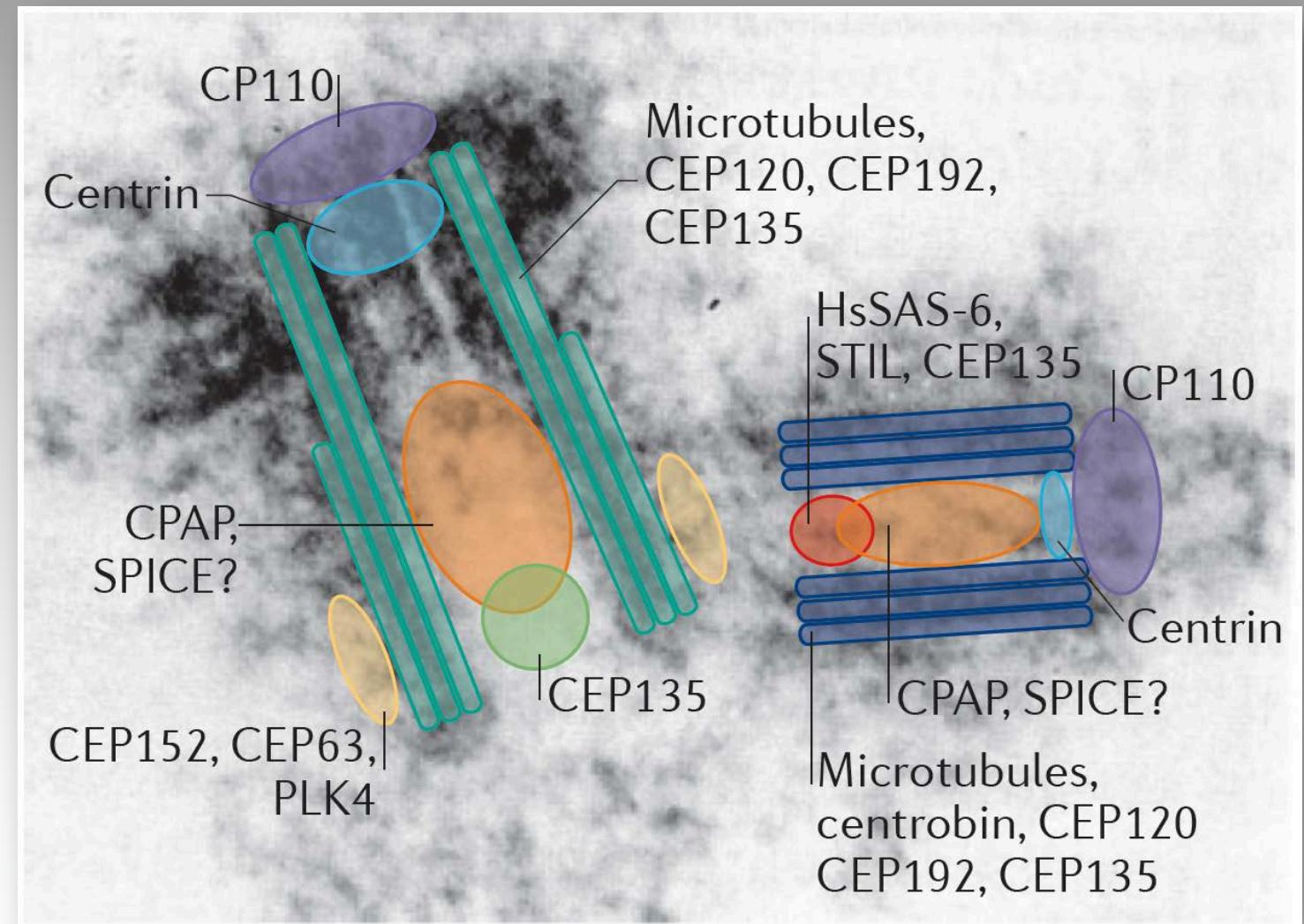
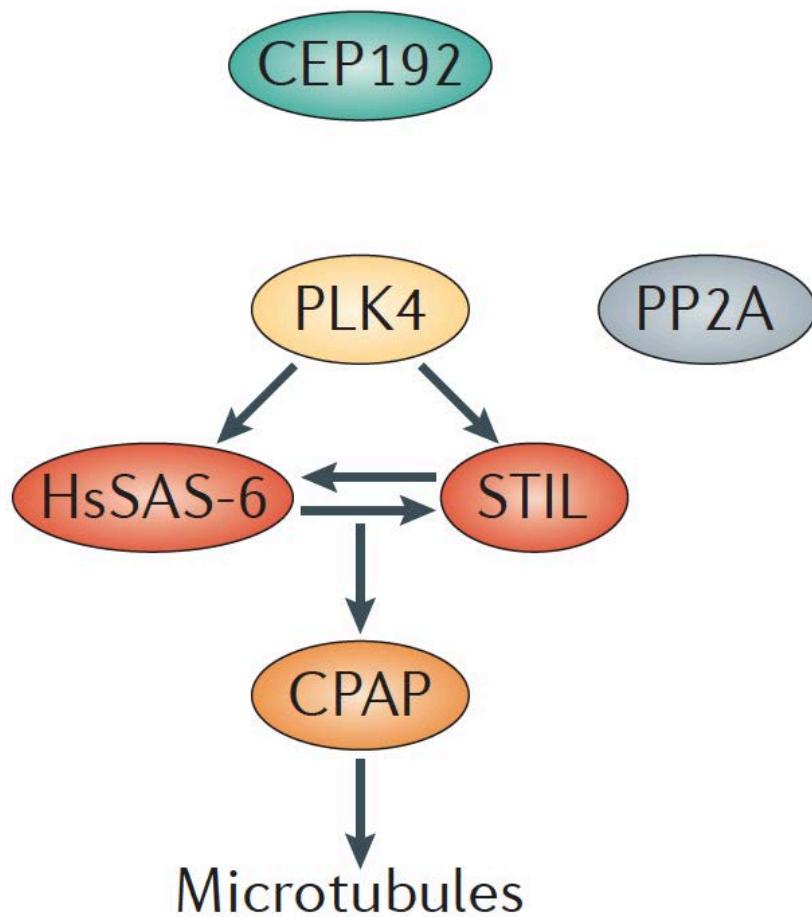
The Centrosome duplication cycle



Conduit et al., Nat. Rev. MCB, 2015

The Centrosome duplication regulators

Human cells

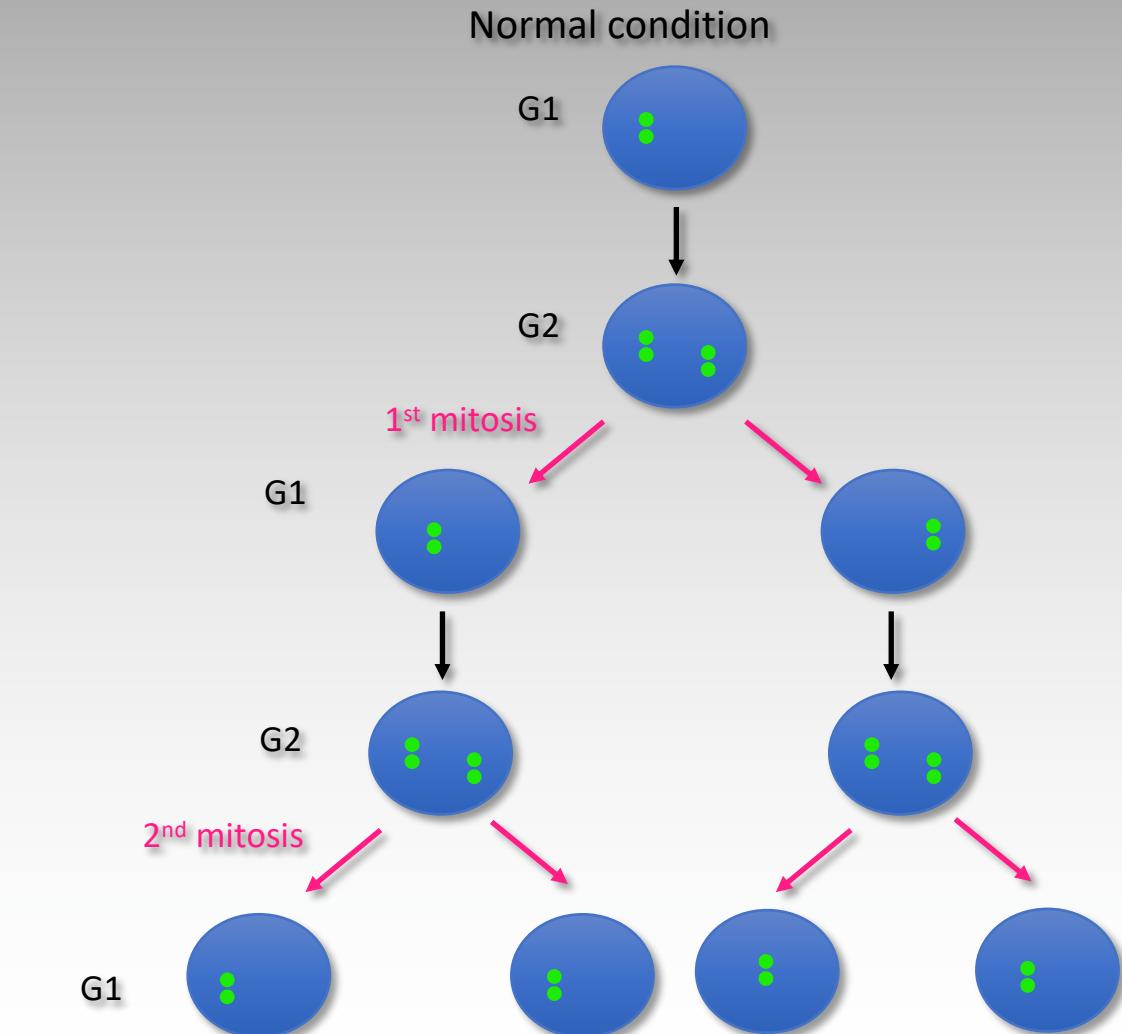
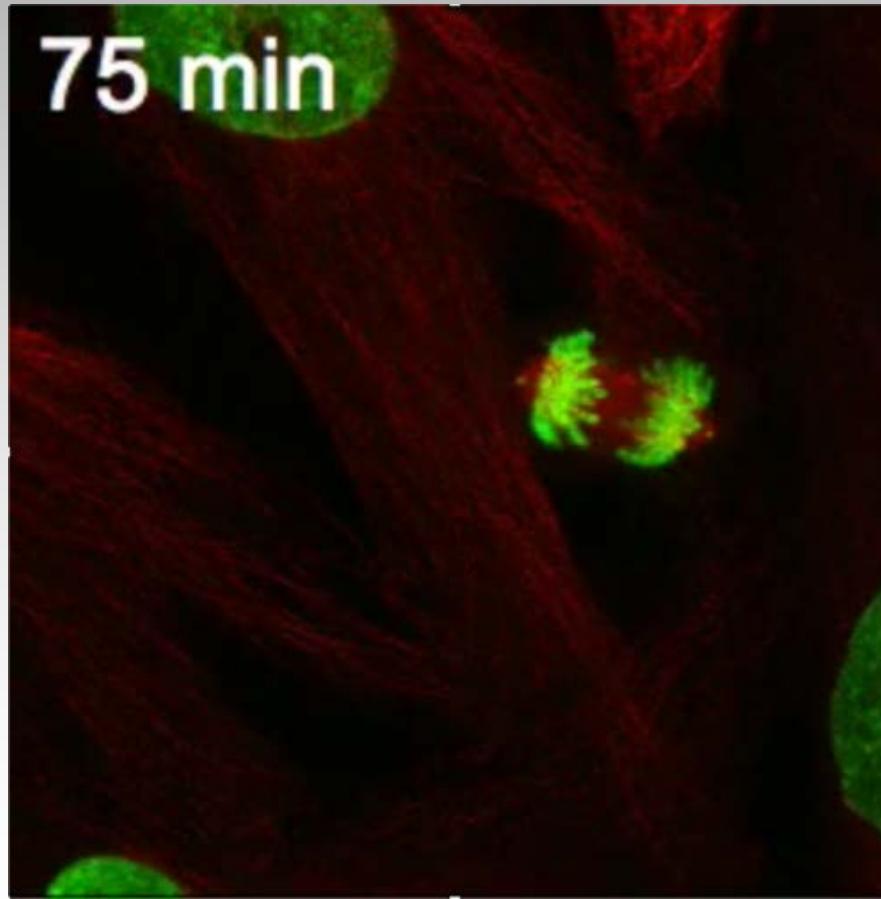


Gönczy *Nat. Rev. MCB*. 2012

The Centrosome and bipolar spindle assembly

Centrosomes help **focusing spindle poles** and are important for timely and errorless mitosis

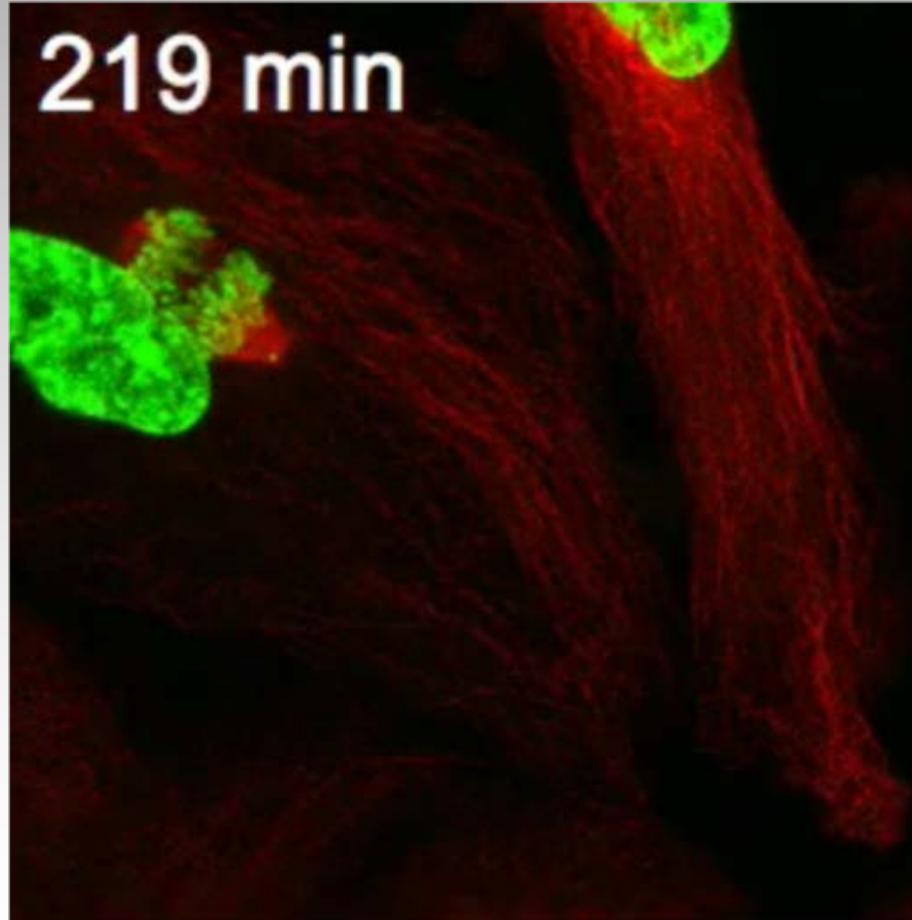
Plk4^{+/+}: 2 centro.



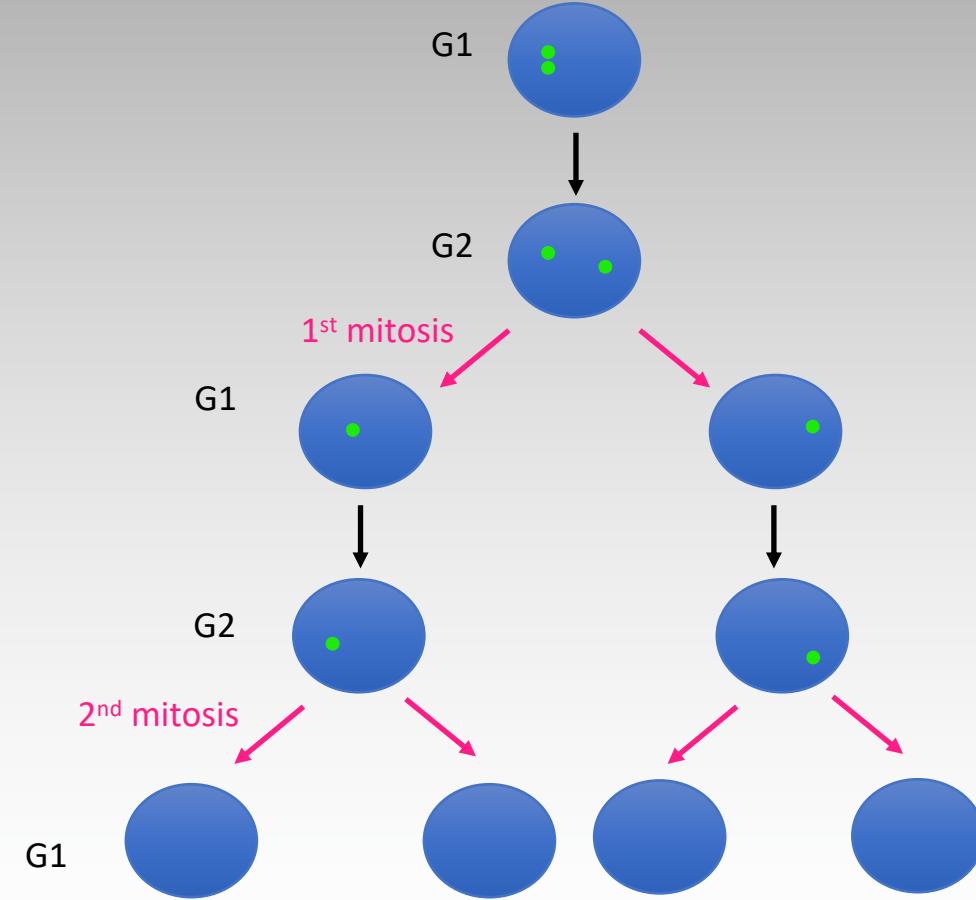
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Plk4^{-/-}: 1 centro.



Plk4 depletion/inhibition



Non transformed human cells w/o centrosomes stop proliferating

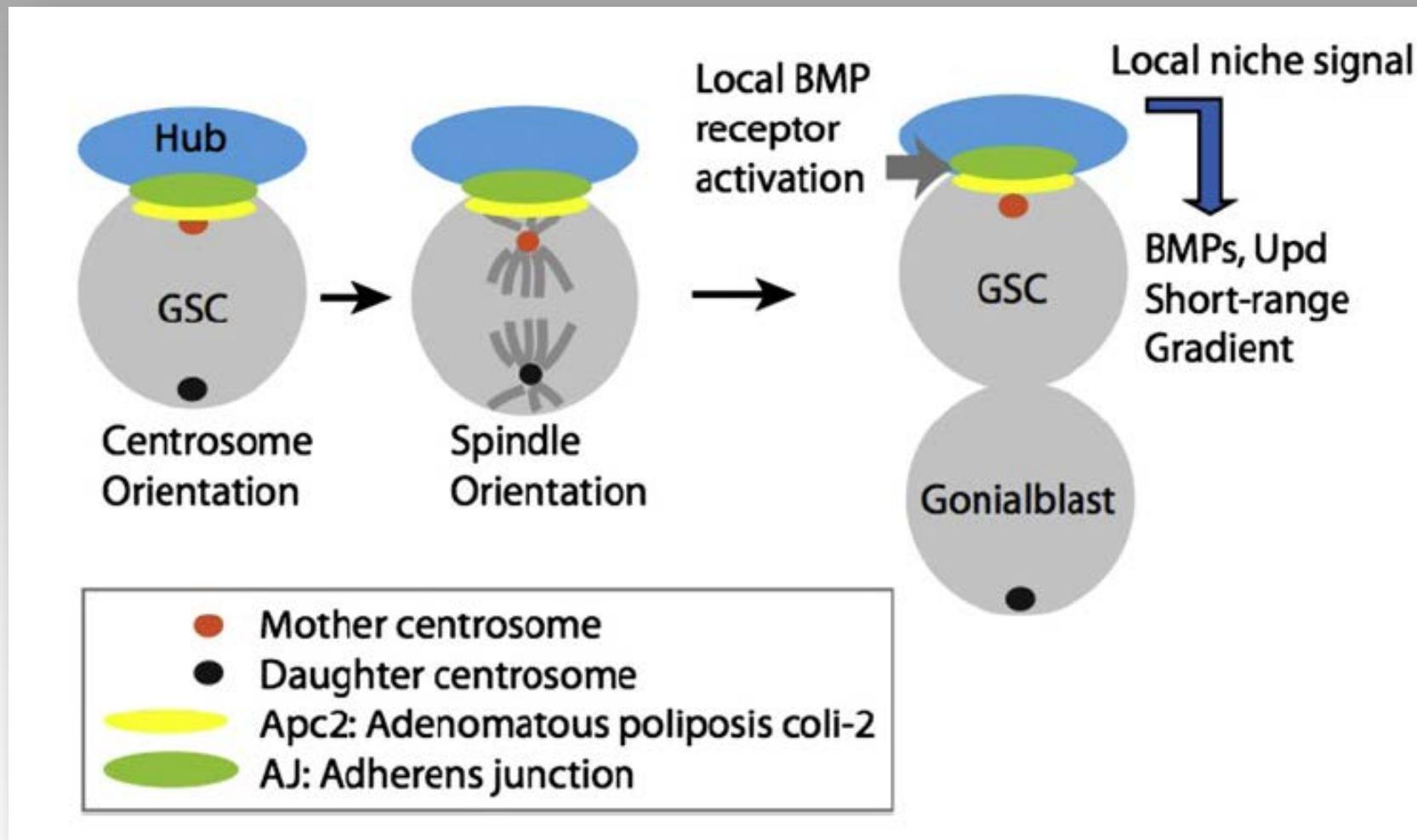
Centrosome and ACD: case studies

- In Cell/tissues with normal homeostasis:
 - a- Drosophila neuroblasts
 - b- C. elegans first embryonic division
 - c- Mice neocortex development

- In Cell/tissues with perturbed homeostasis
 - a- Centrosome amplification and cancer in Fly
 - b- Centrosome amplification, microcephaly and cancer in mice
 - c- Contribution of IFT proteins to centrosome clustering

Centrosome and germ cells differentiation

Drosophila male Germline Stem Cells (GSC) ACD:

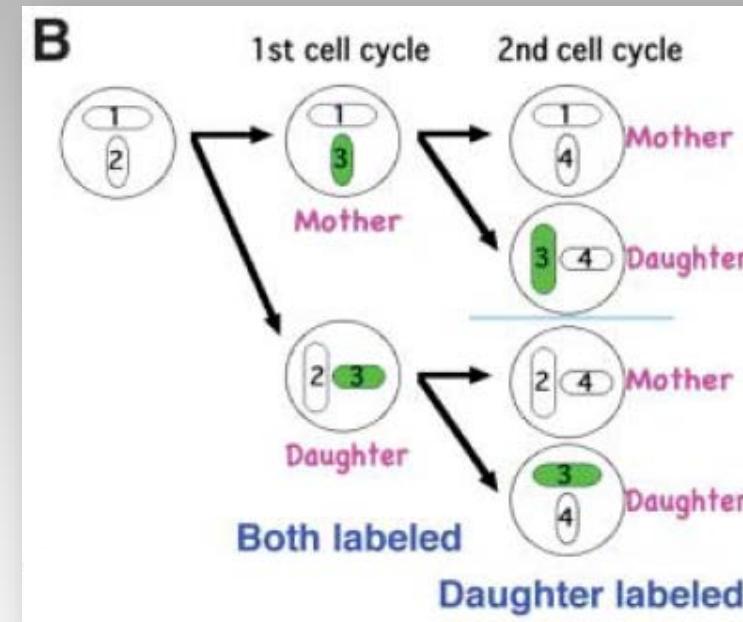
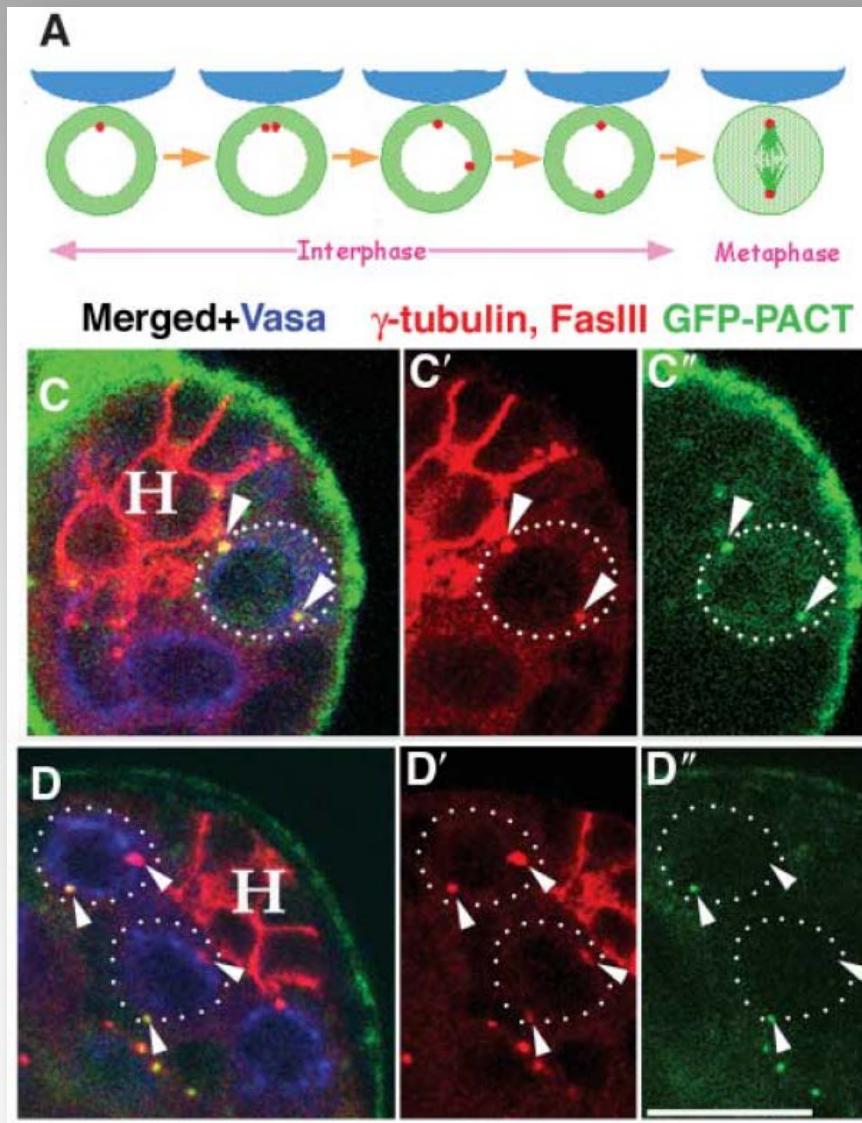


Inaba & Yamashita Cell Stem Cell. 2012

Determined by extrinsic clues and **directed by spindle orientation.**

Centrosomes and germ cells differentiation

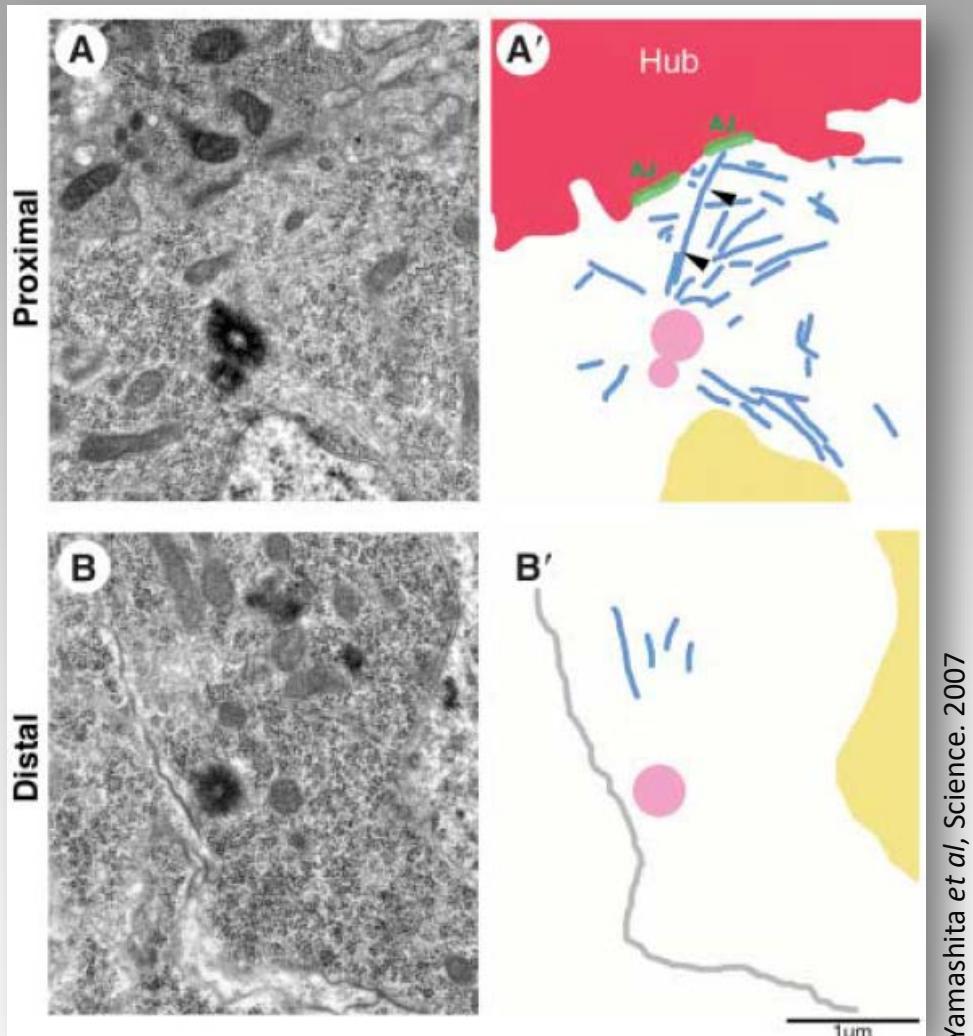
What will determine spindle orientation in Drosophila Germ Stem Cells (GSC)?



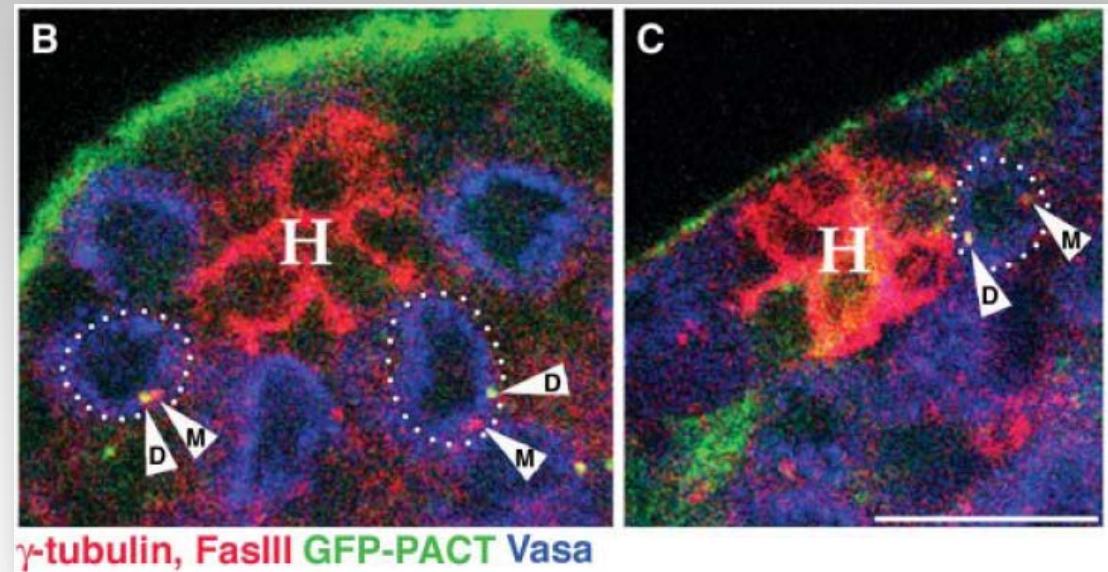
Yamashita et al, Science. 2007

Centrosomes and germ cells differentiation

Centrosomes age influences MTs aster formation and centrosome attachment.



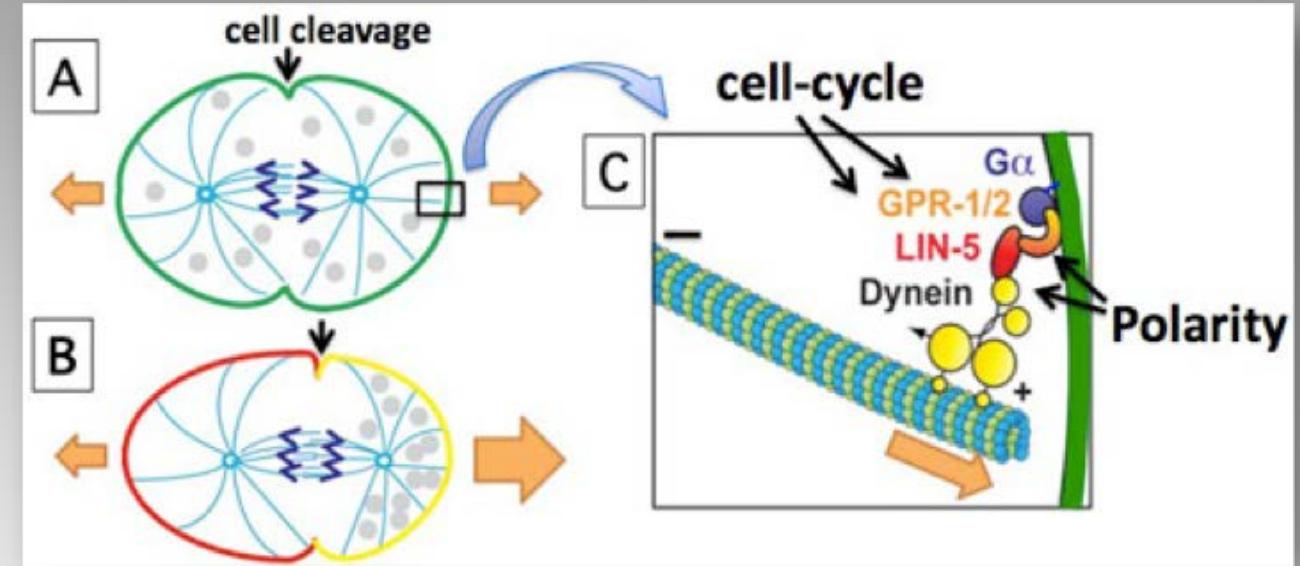
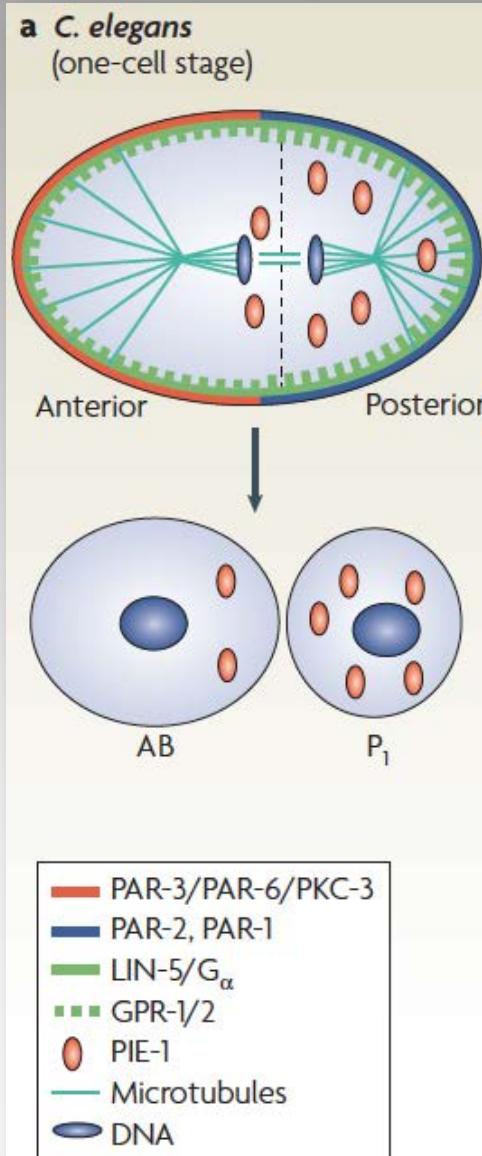
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Centrosomes asymmetry is an integral part of ACD.

Centrosomes and *C. elegans* development

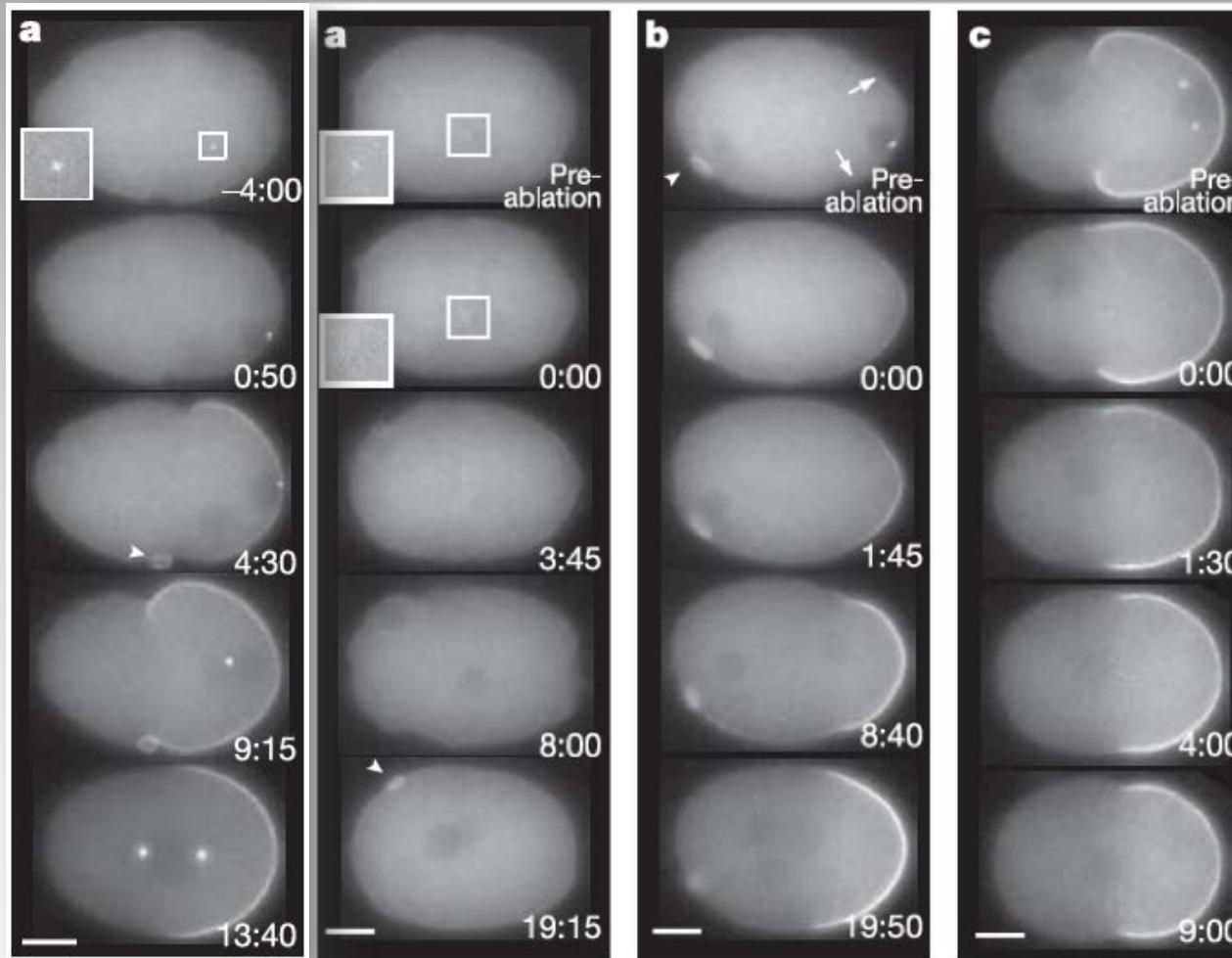
One cell *C. elegans* embryo requires **symmetry breaking** to establish **polarity**



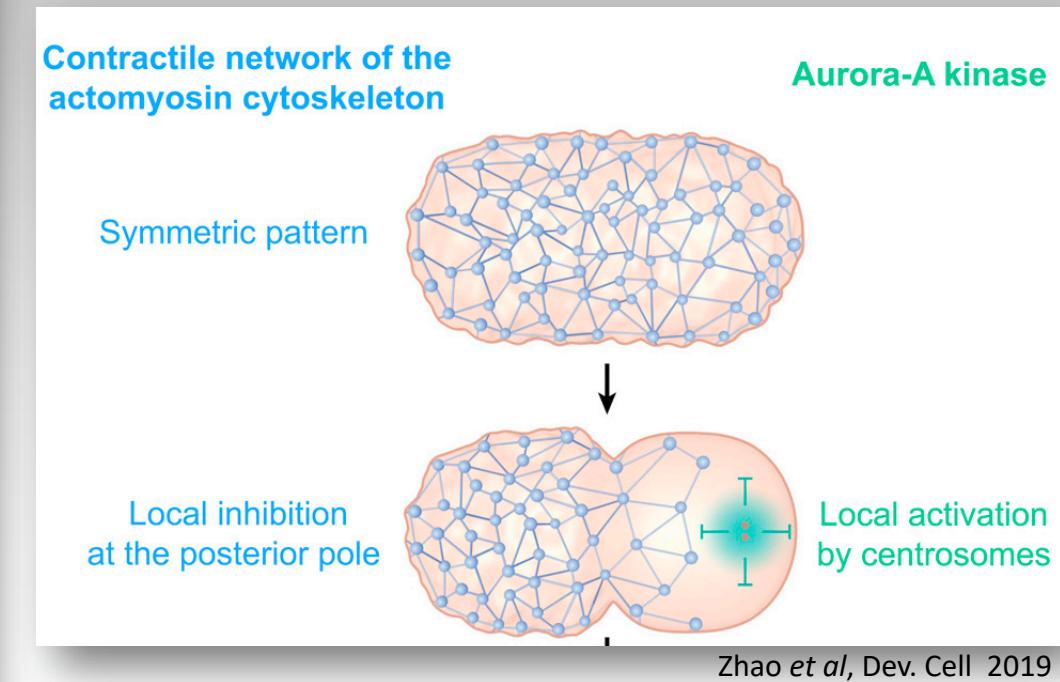
Gönczy, Nat. Rev. Mol. Cell. Bio. 2008

Centrosomes and *C. elegans* development

Centrosomes contribute to polarity in *C. elegans* embryo through AIR-1 kinase activity

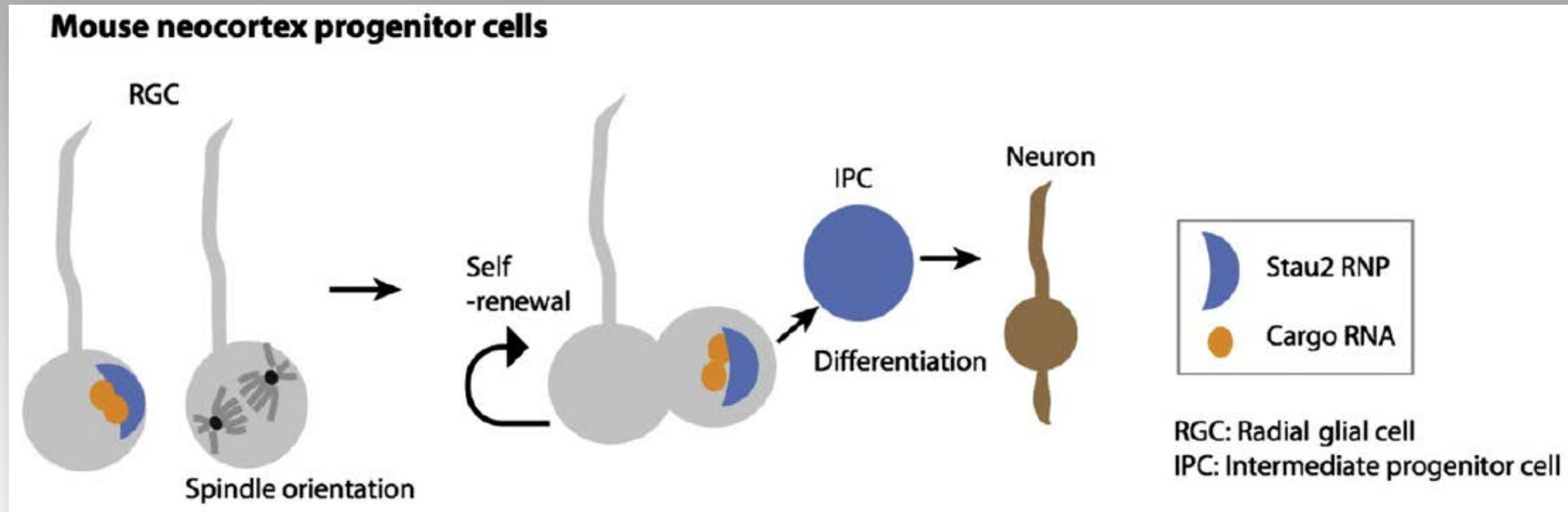


Cowan & Hyman. Nature 2004



Centrosome and mice neocortex development

Asymmetric centrosome segregation in the neocortex:

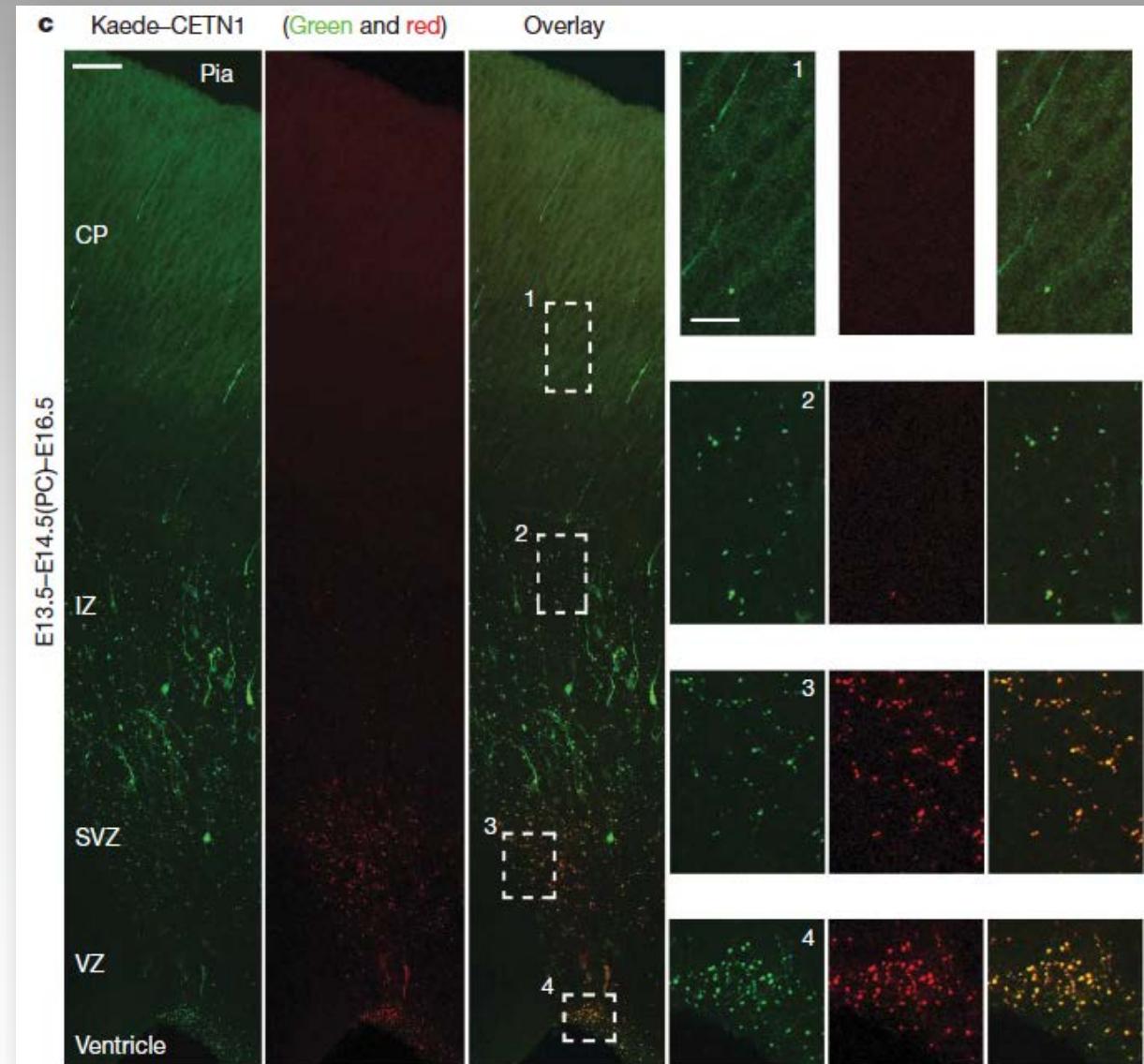
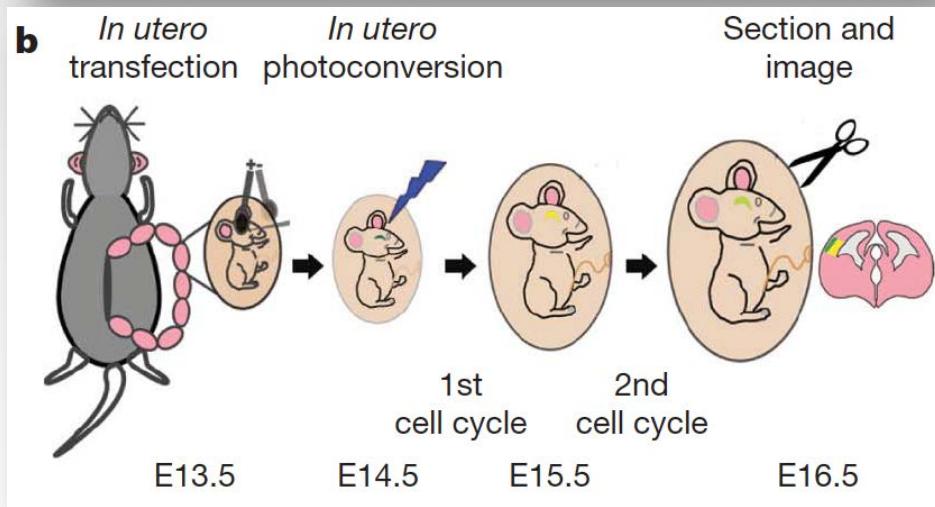
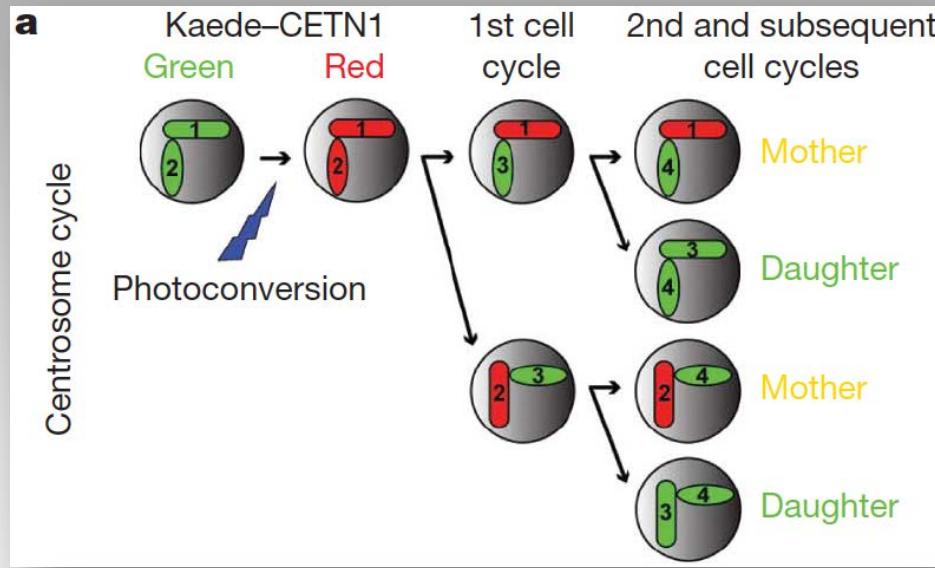


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Is required for maintenance of radial glial progenitors pool and differentiation of differentiated mature neurons

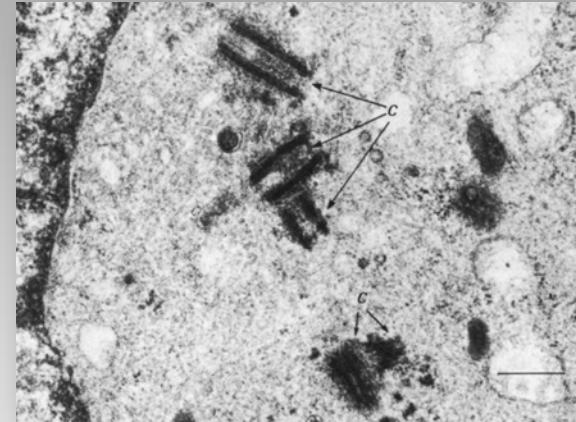
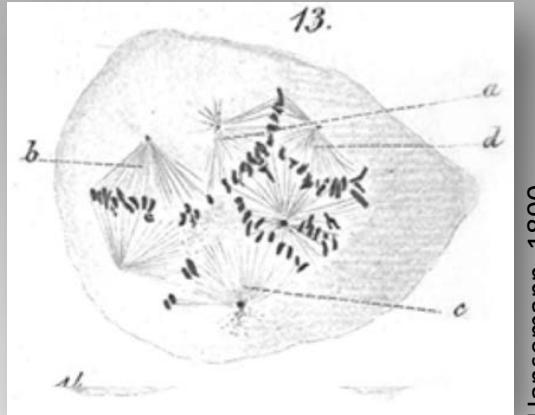
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Asymmetric centrosomes segregation is necessary for mice neocortex development

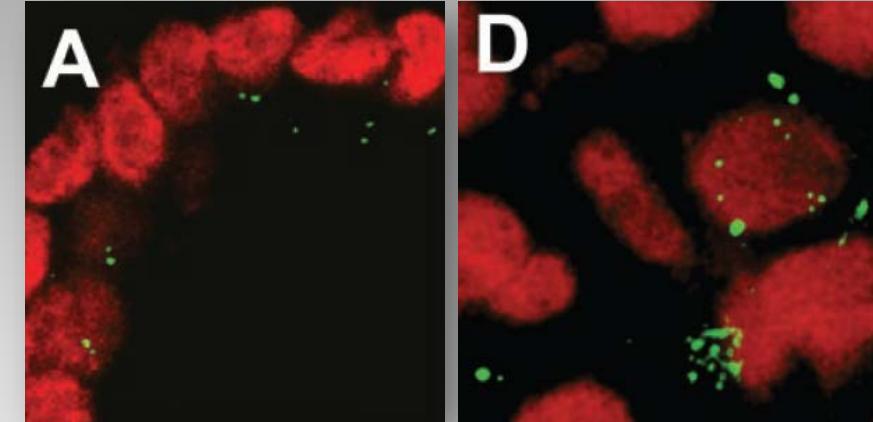


Centrosomes abnormalities and diseases

Abnormal centrosome number is extremely rare in normal tissue but very frequent in tumors (>90 % in solid tumors).

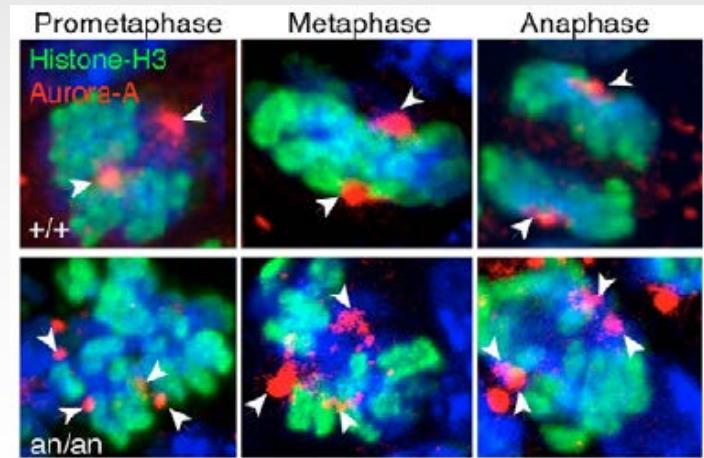


Sharp et al, J. Cell Sci., 1981

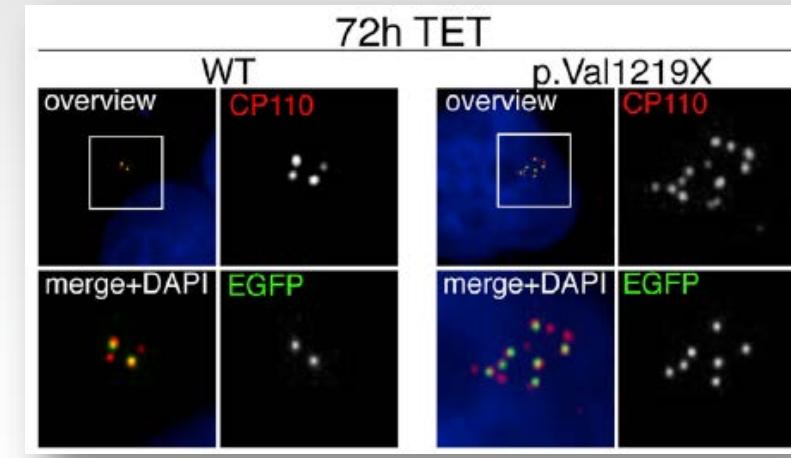


Lingle et al, PNAS, 2002

It is also observed in brain developmental defects



Lizarraga et al,
Development, 2010

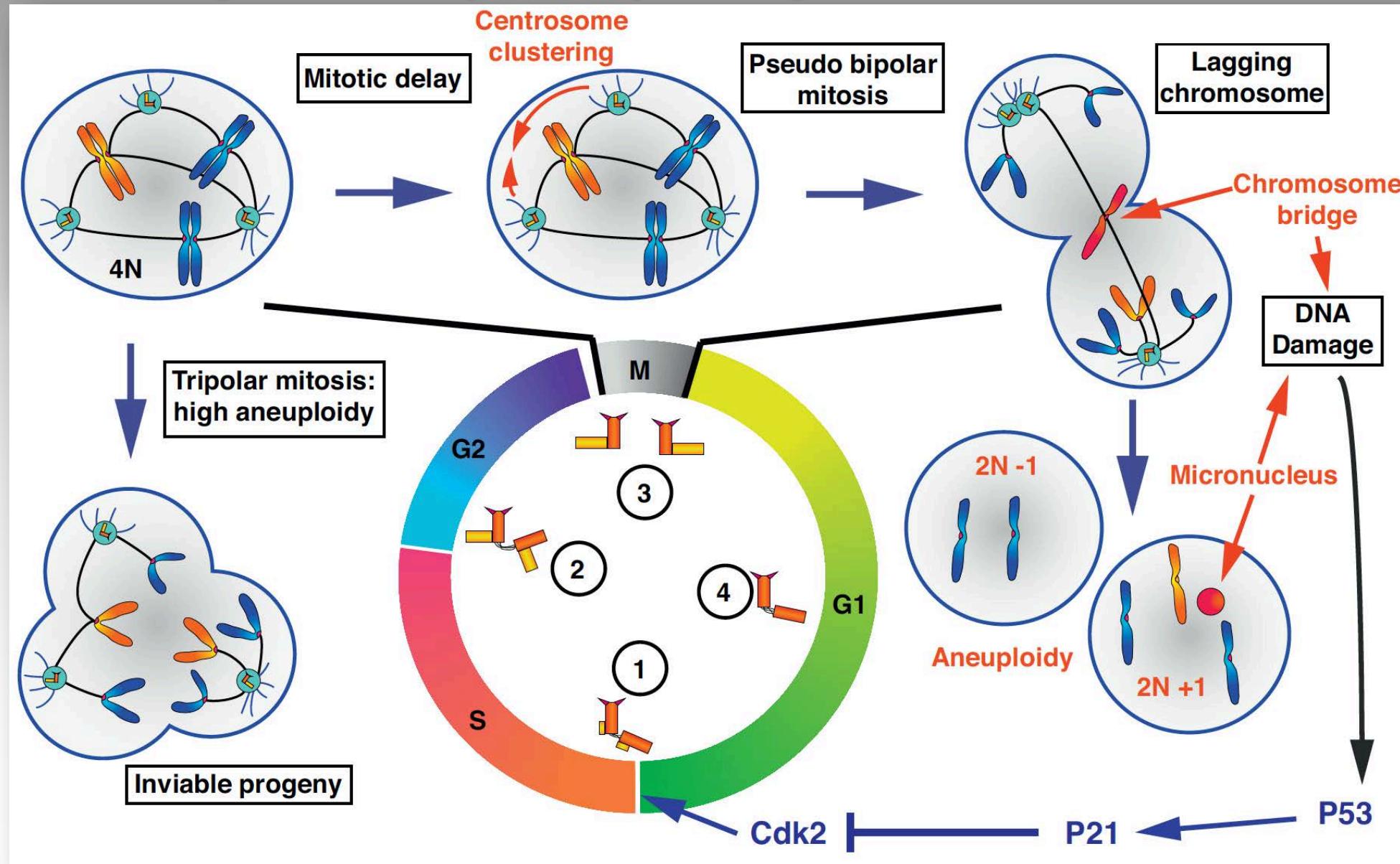


Arquint & Nigg , Current
Biology, 2014

Does centrosome abnormalities account for ACD defects and disease formation? ²⁰

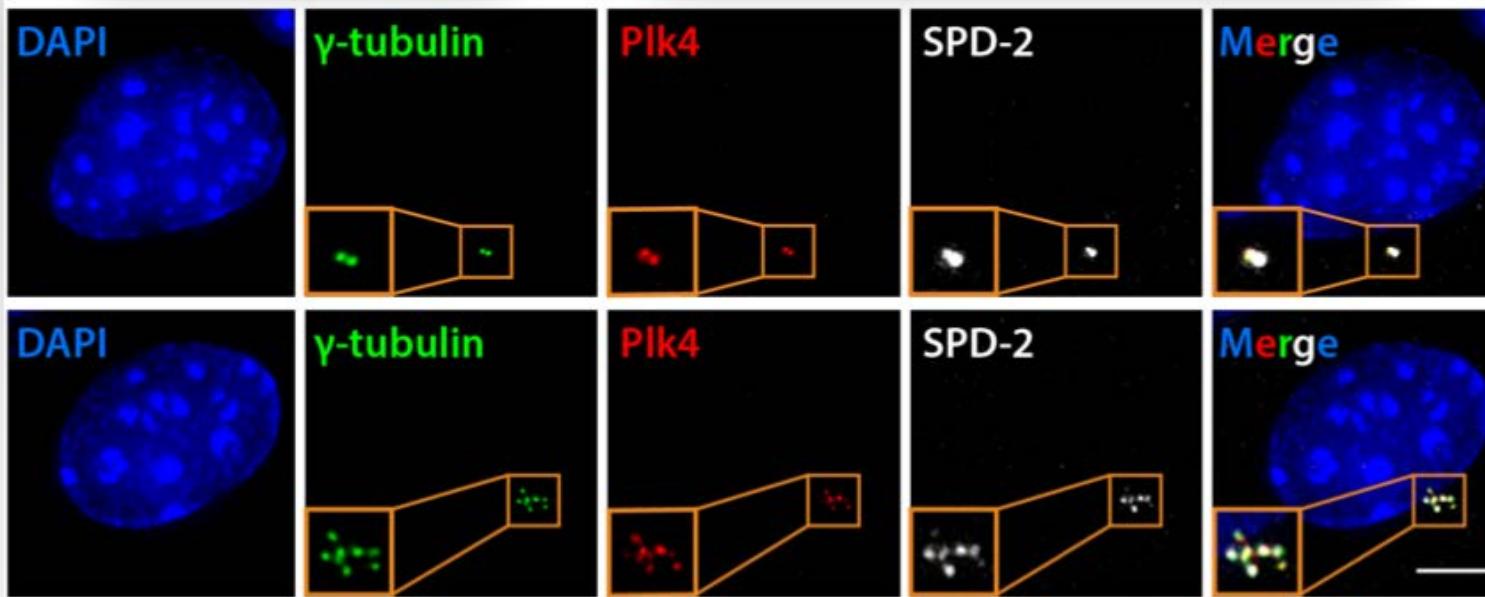
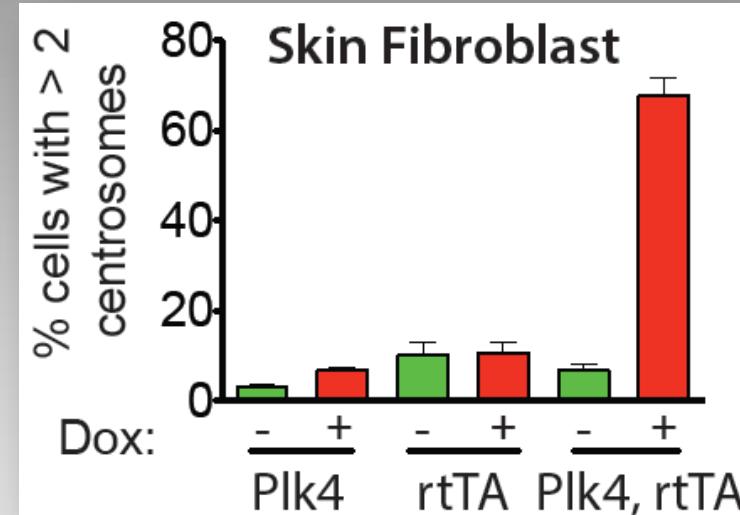
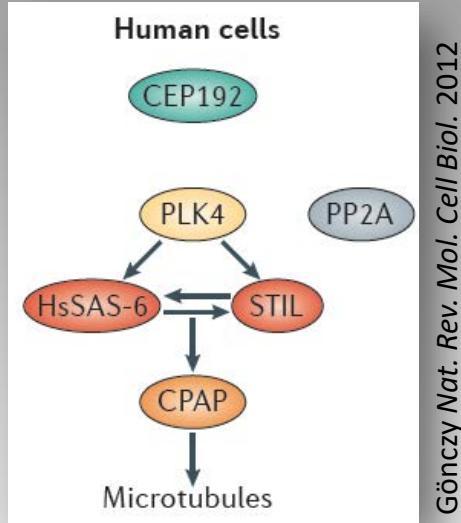
Perturbation of centrosome homeostasis

Extra centrosome generate asymmetry during cell division



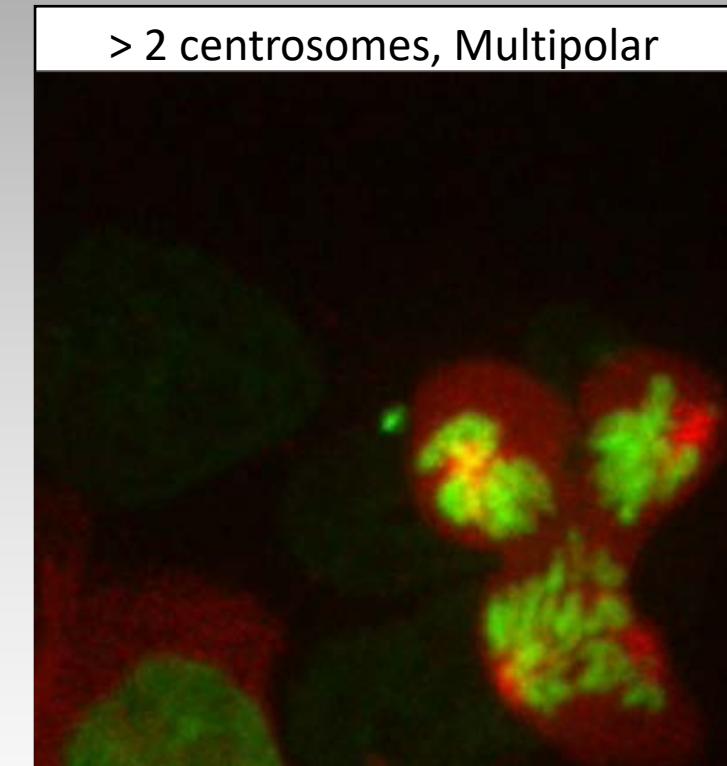
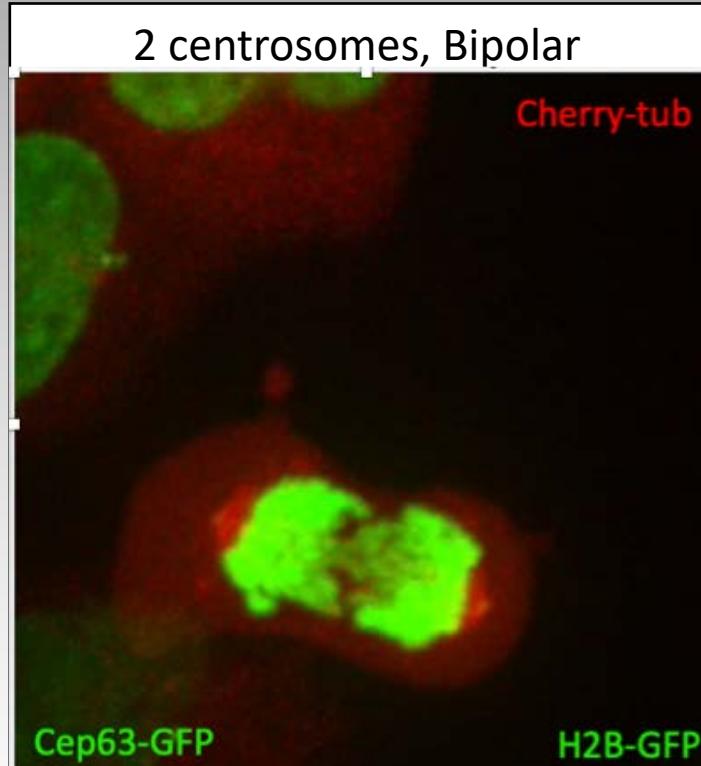
Assess the consequences of centrosome amplification

Plk4 overexpression to generate extra centrosomes



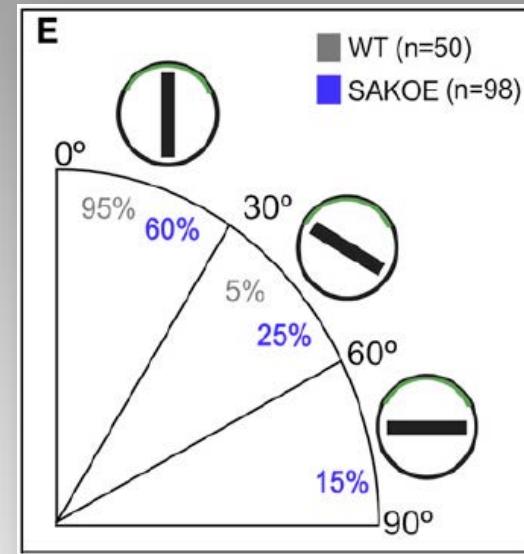
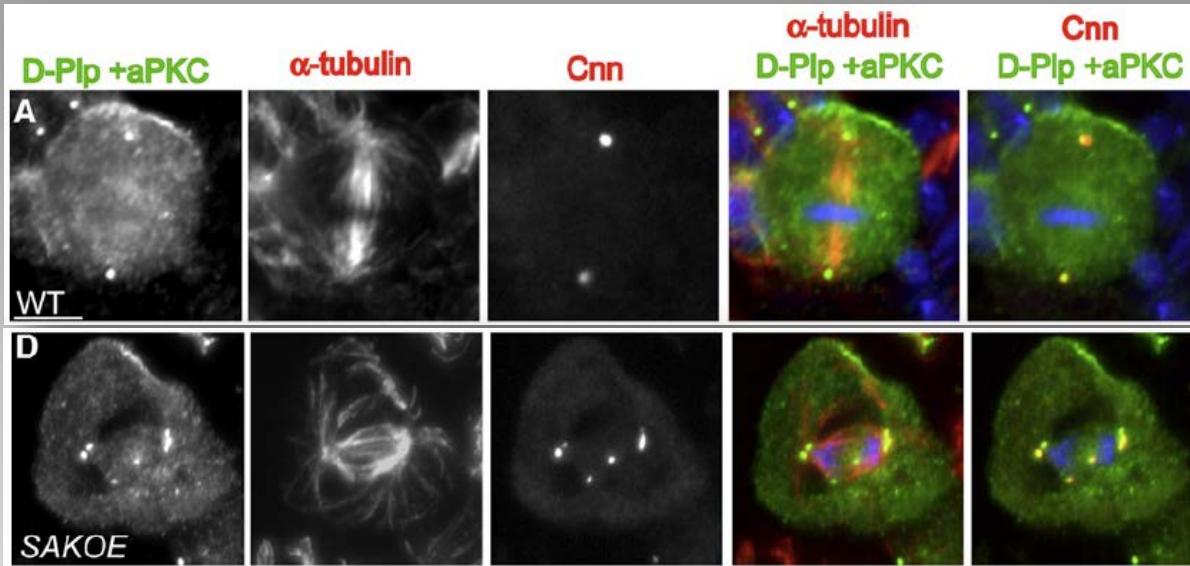
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Extra centrosomes give rise to chromosome segregation errors and aneuploidy.



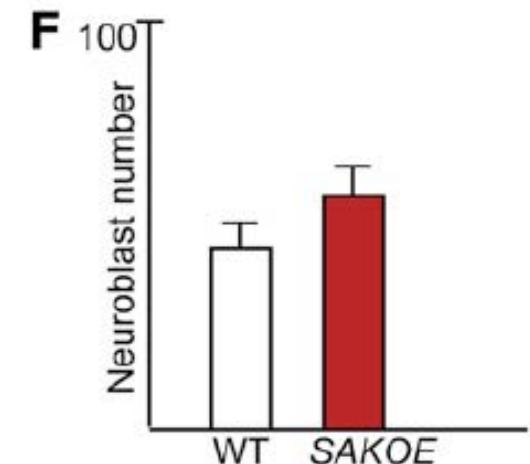
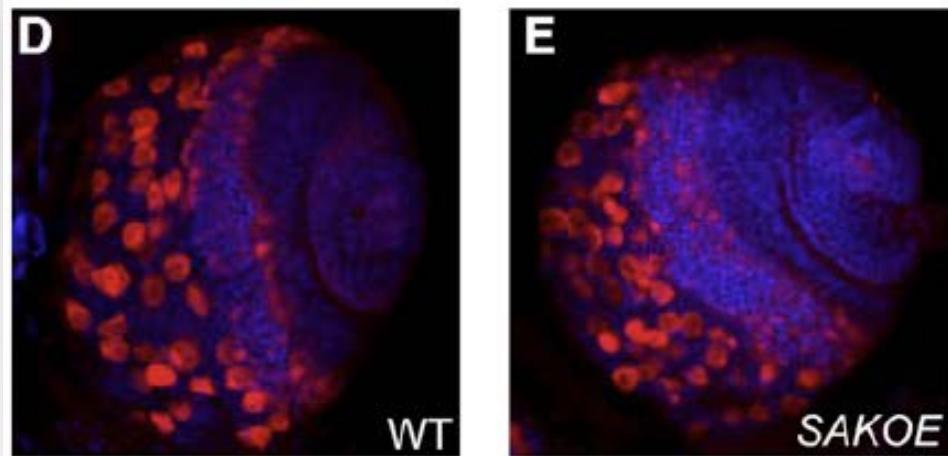
Extra centrosome and drosophila neuroblasts

Extra centrosomes perturb ACD in fly neuroblasts



Basto et al, *Cell*. 2008

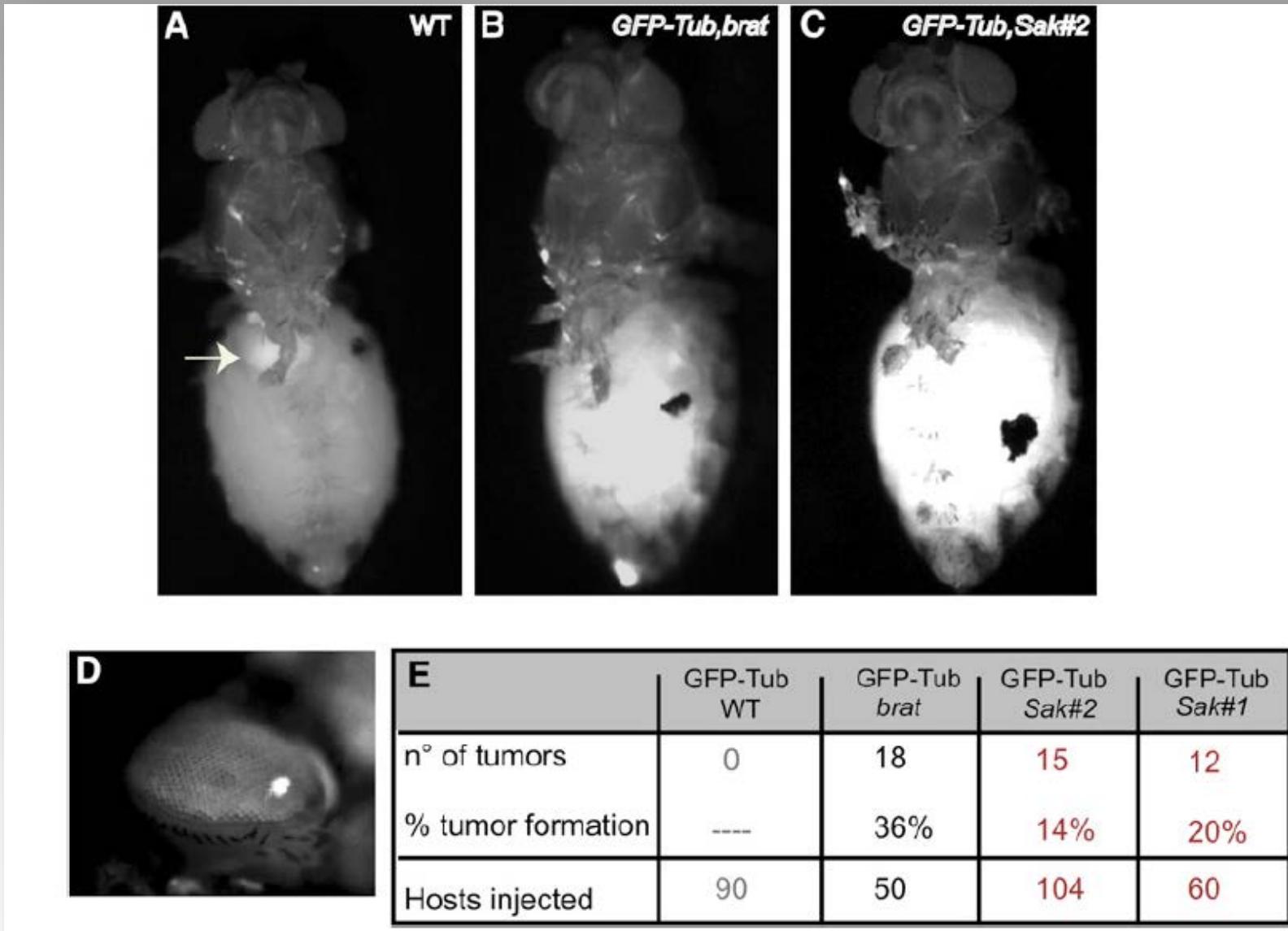
Resulting in abnormal proliferation of the neuroblasts



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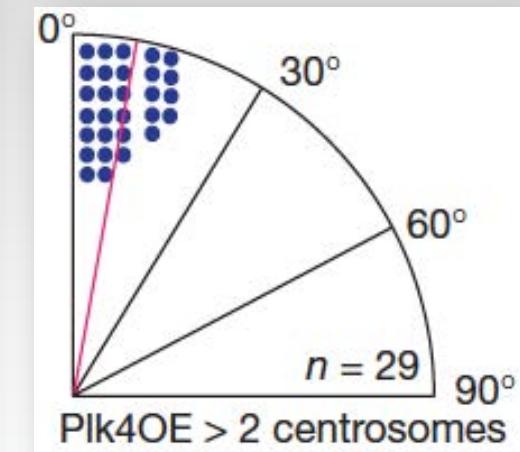
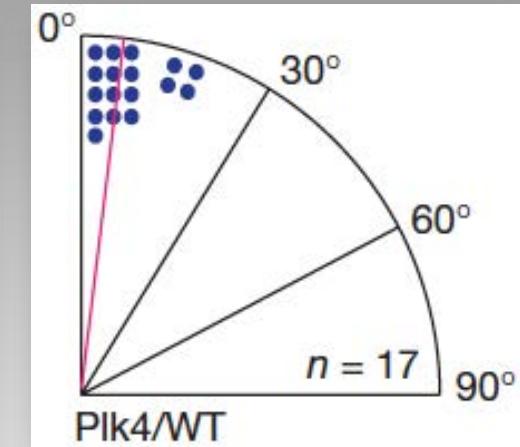
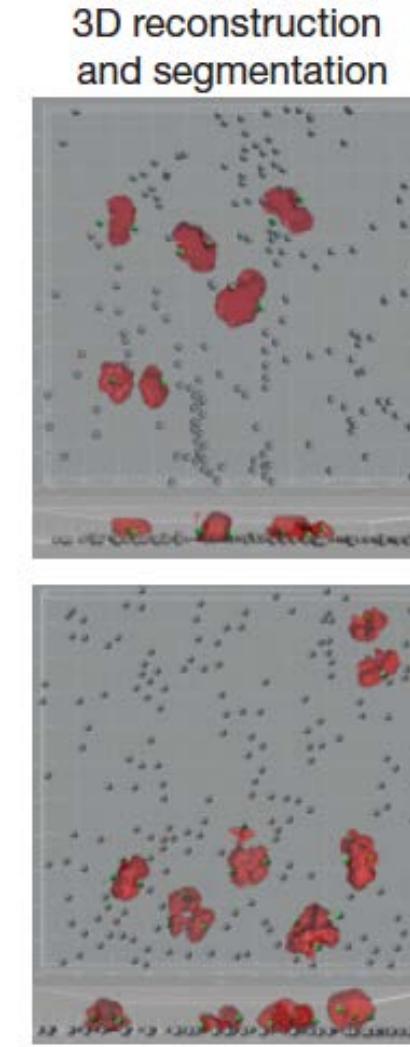
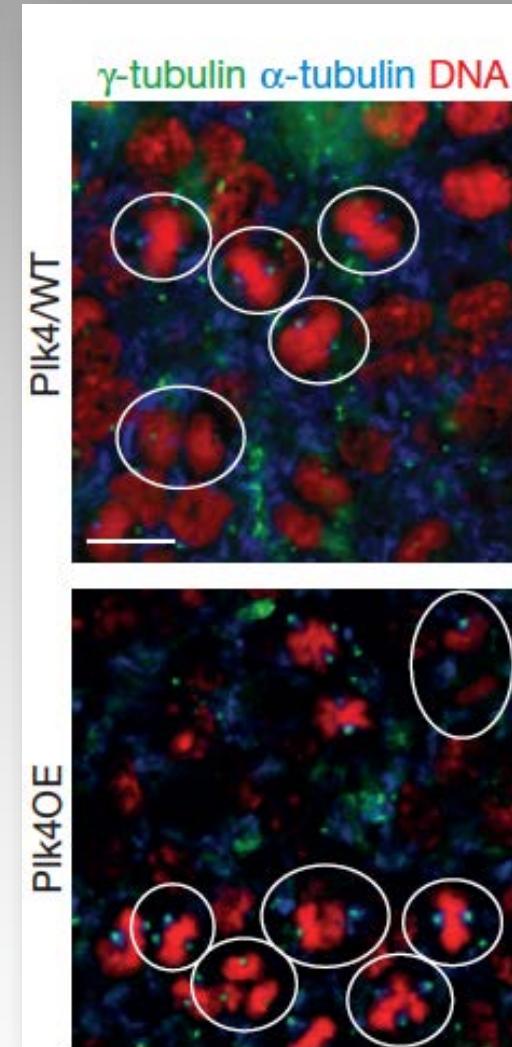
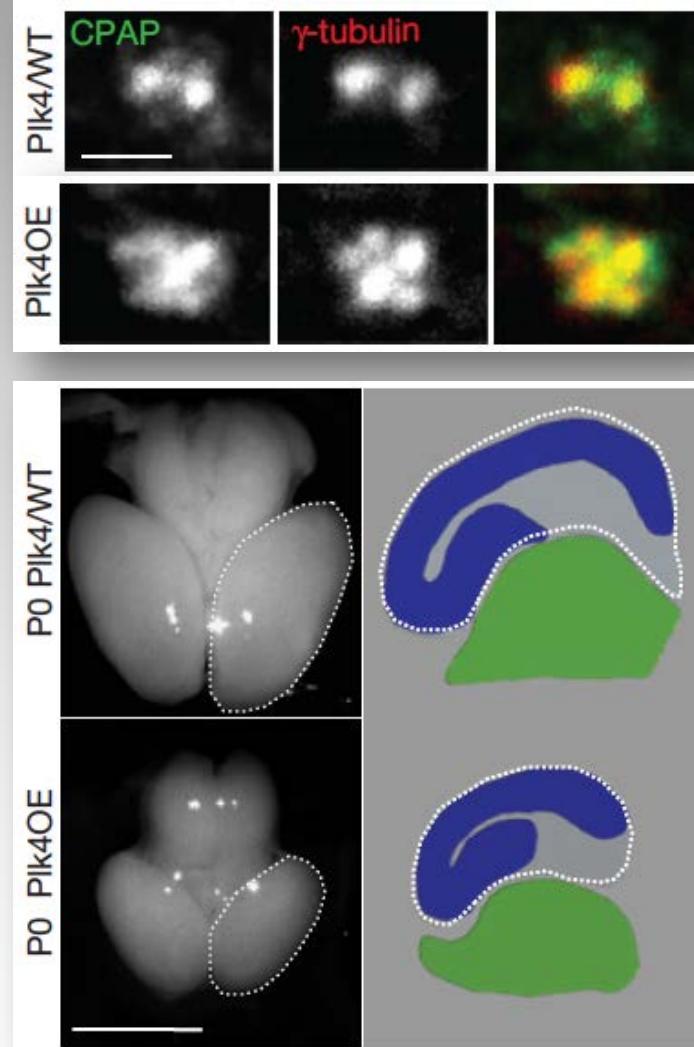
Extra centrosome can drive cancer in drosophila

Brain transplantation leads to tumor development



Extra centrosome and brain development in mice

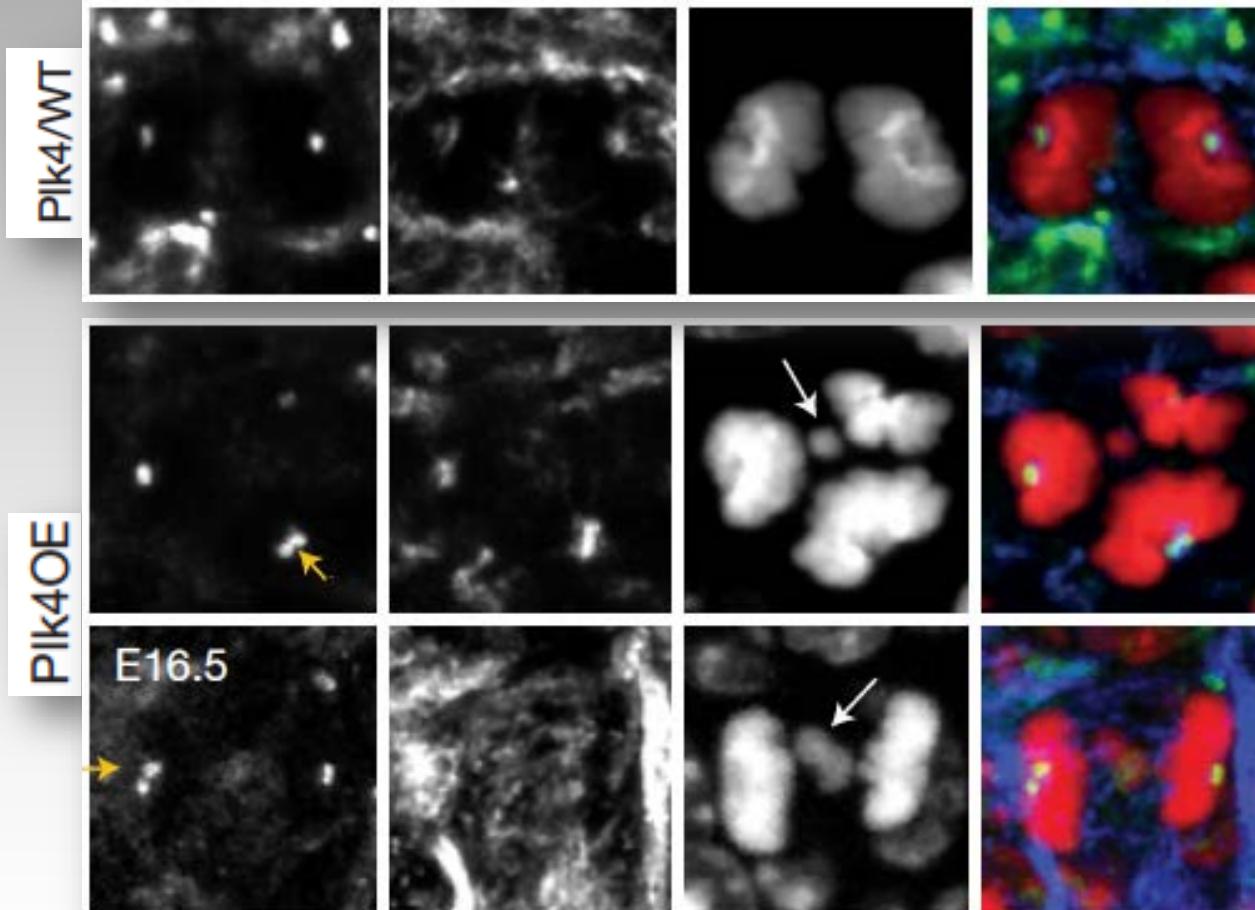
Extra centrosomes lead to microcephaly but not through spindle miss-orientation



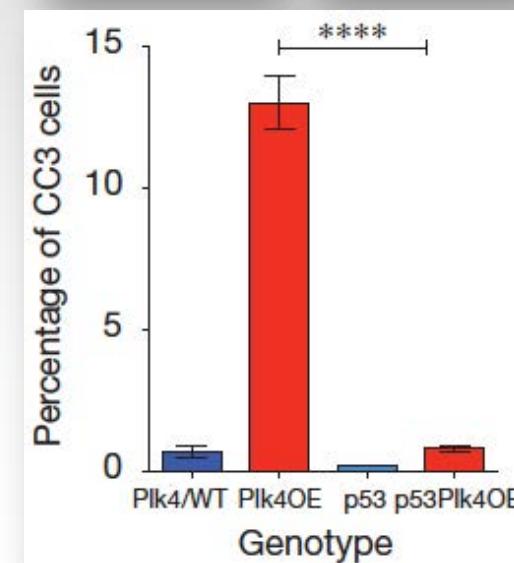
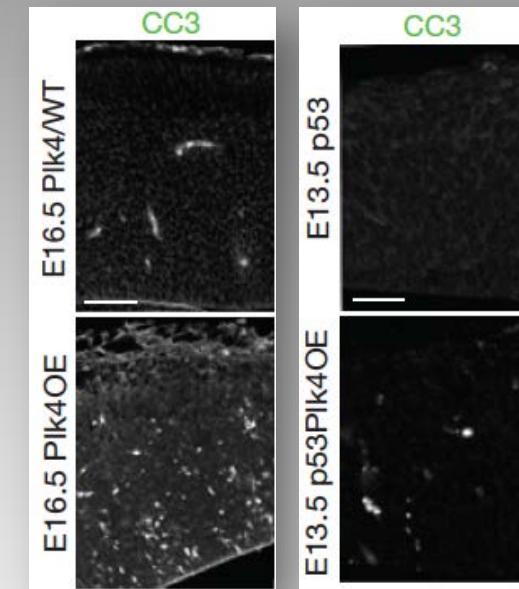
Marthiens et al, NCB. 2013

Extra centrosome and brain development in mice

Extra centrosomes generate aneuploidy, cell cycle arrest and apoptosis through p53 activation.

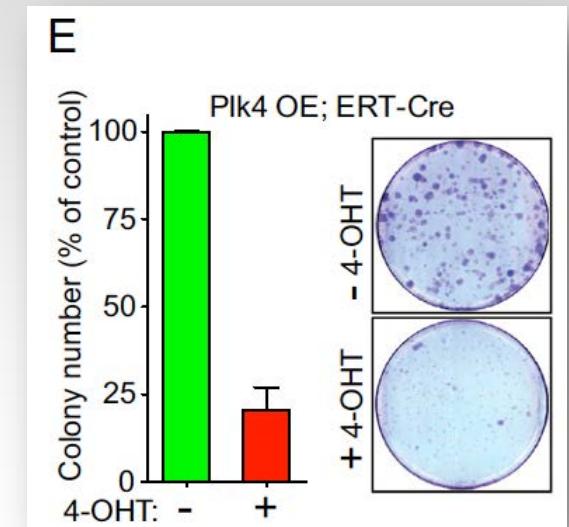
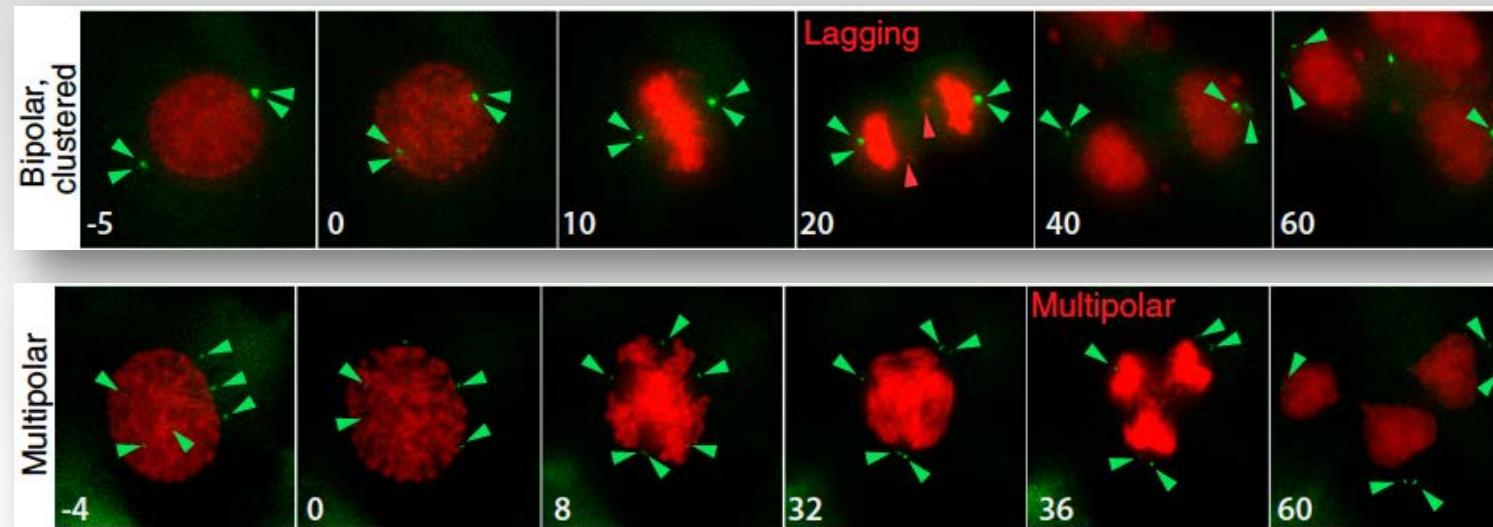
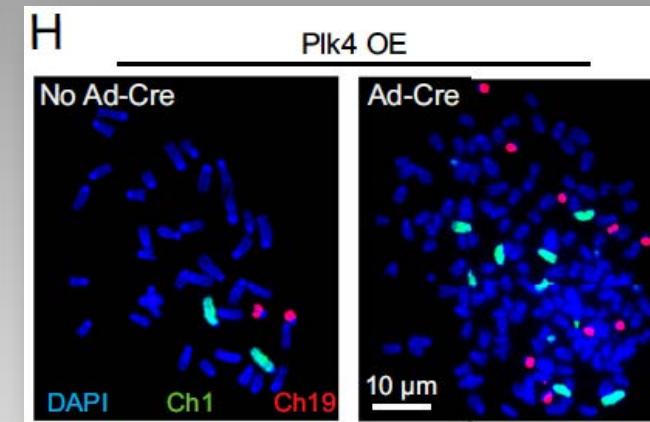
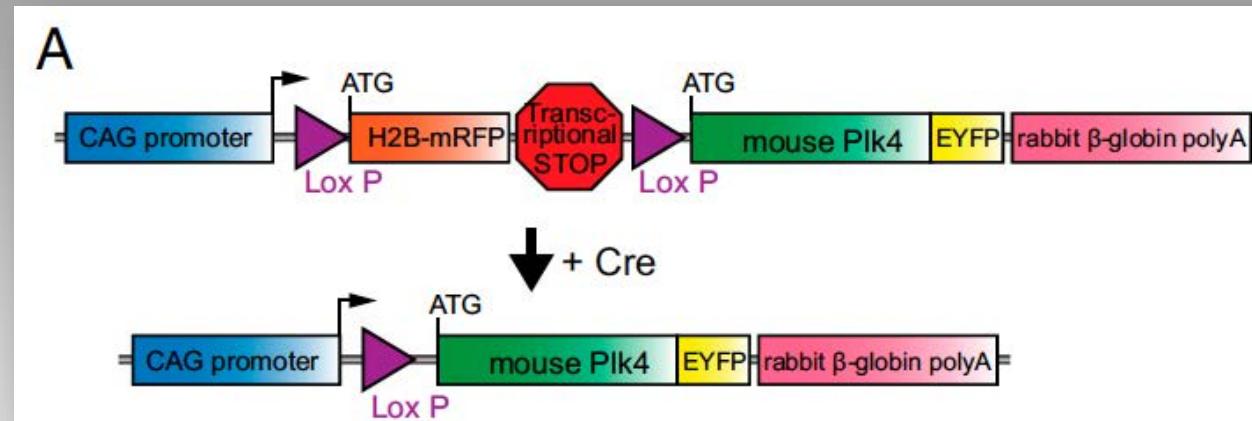


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Extra centrosome and cancer in mice

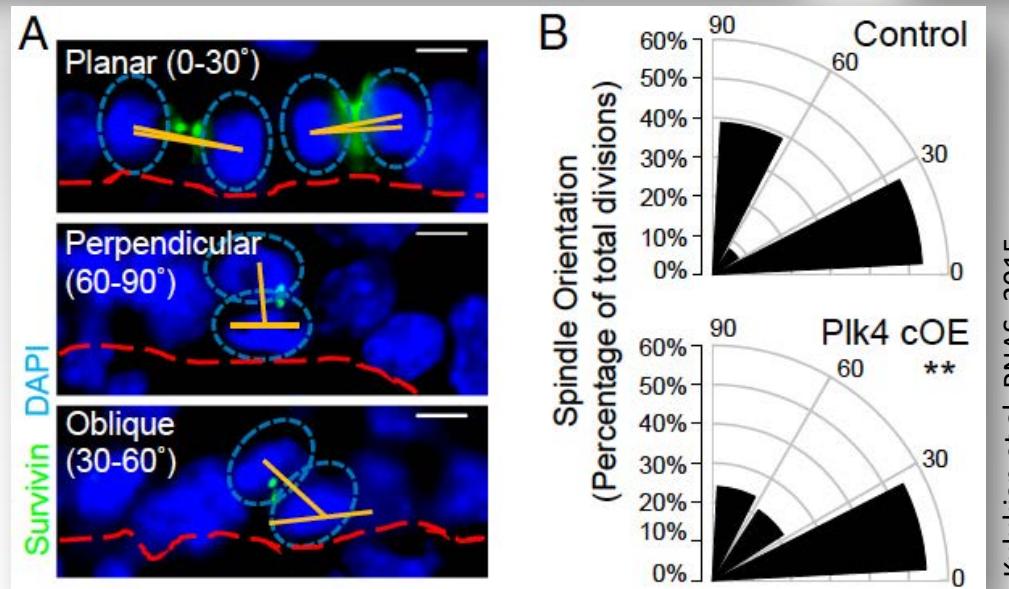
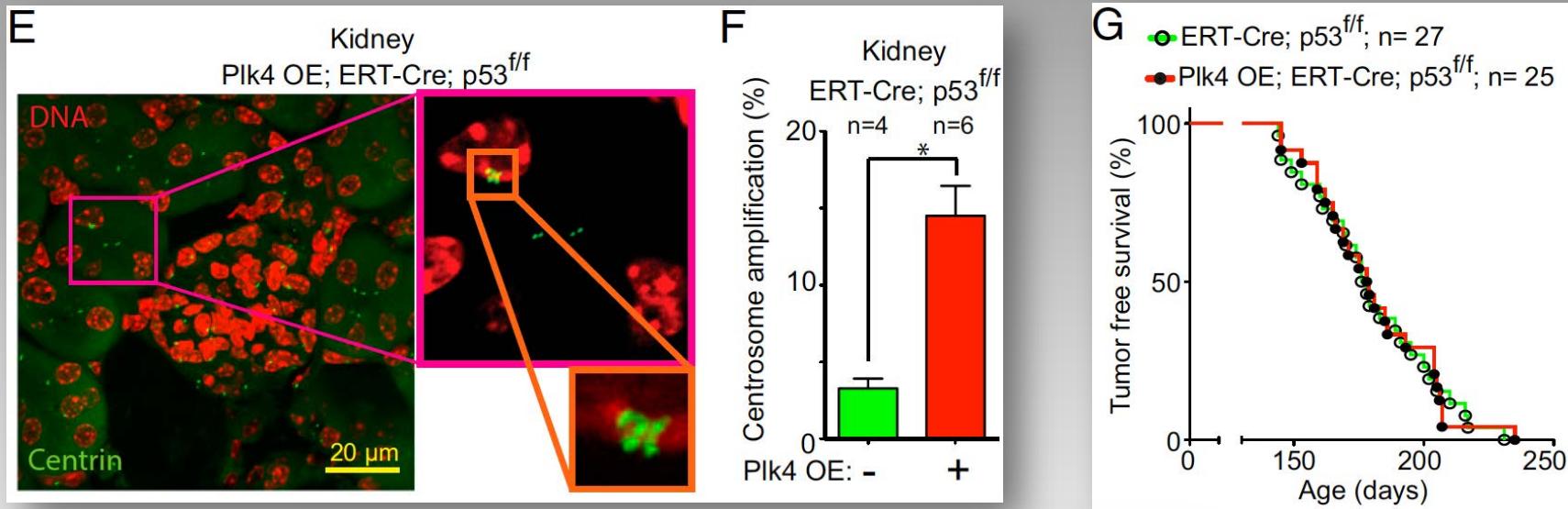
Cells with extra centrosomes stop proliferating



Vitre et al, PNAS. 2015

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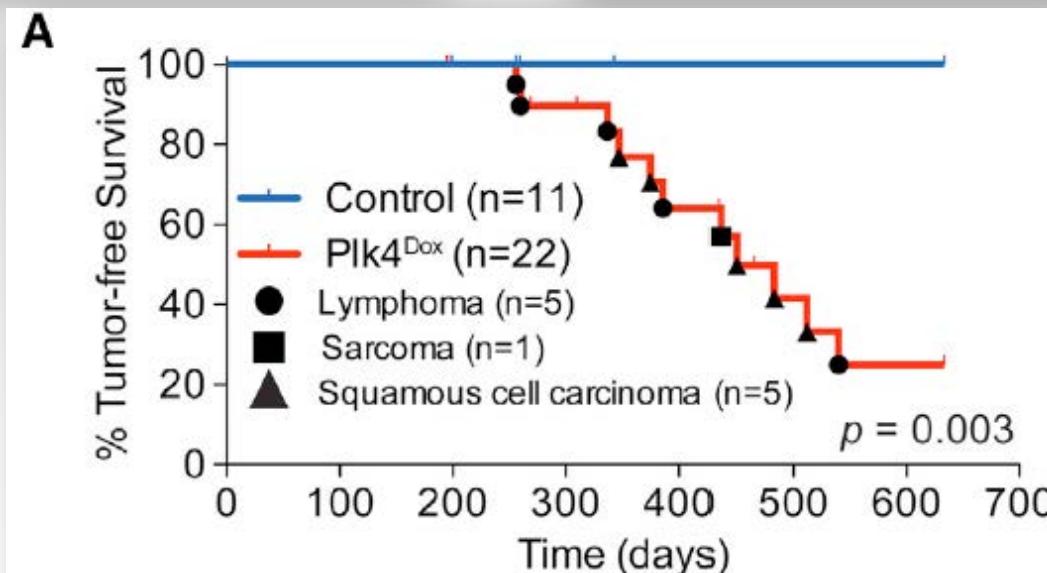
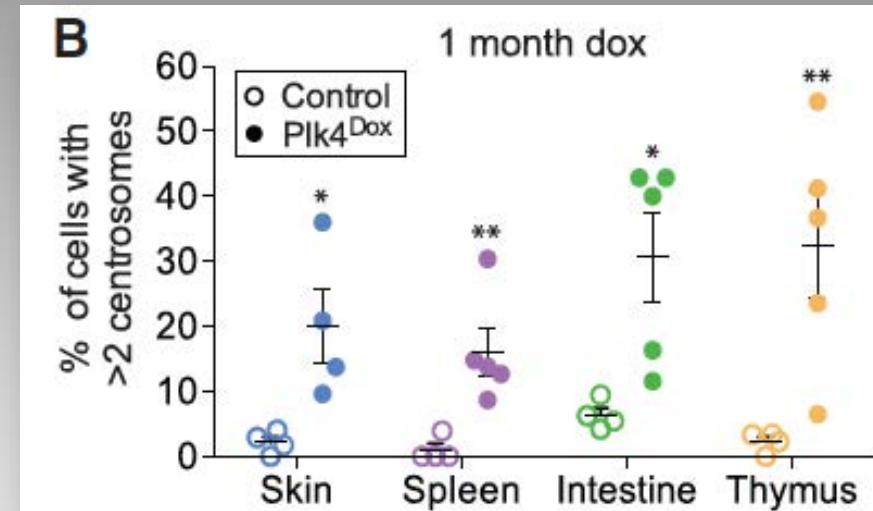
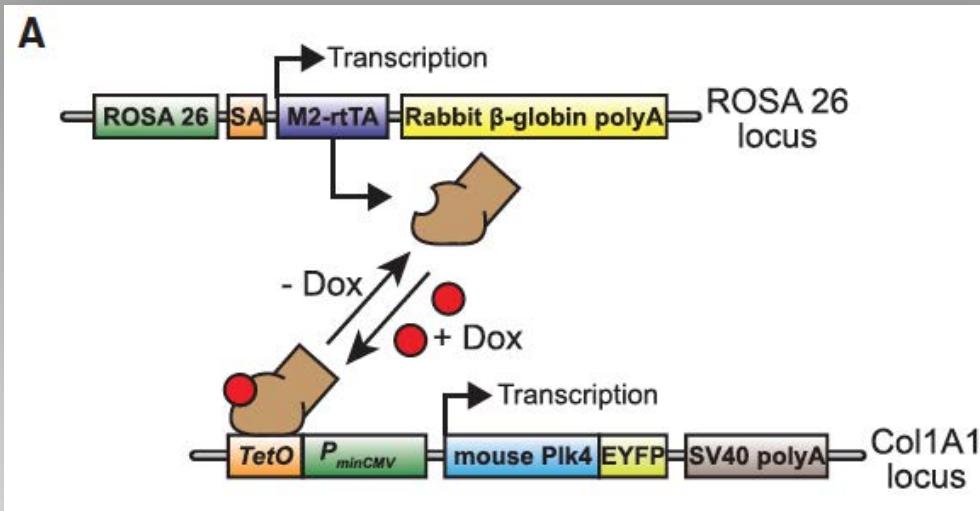
Centrosome amplification can drive tumor development depending on context:



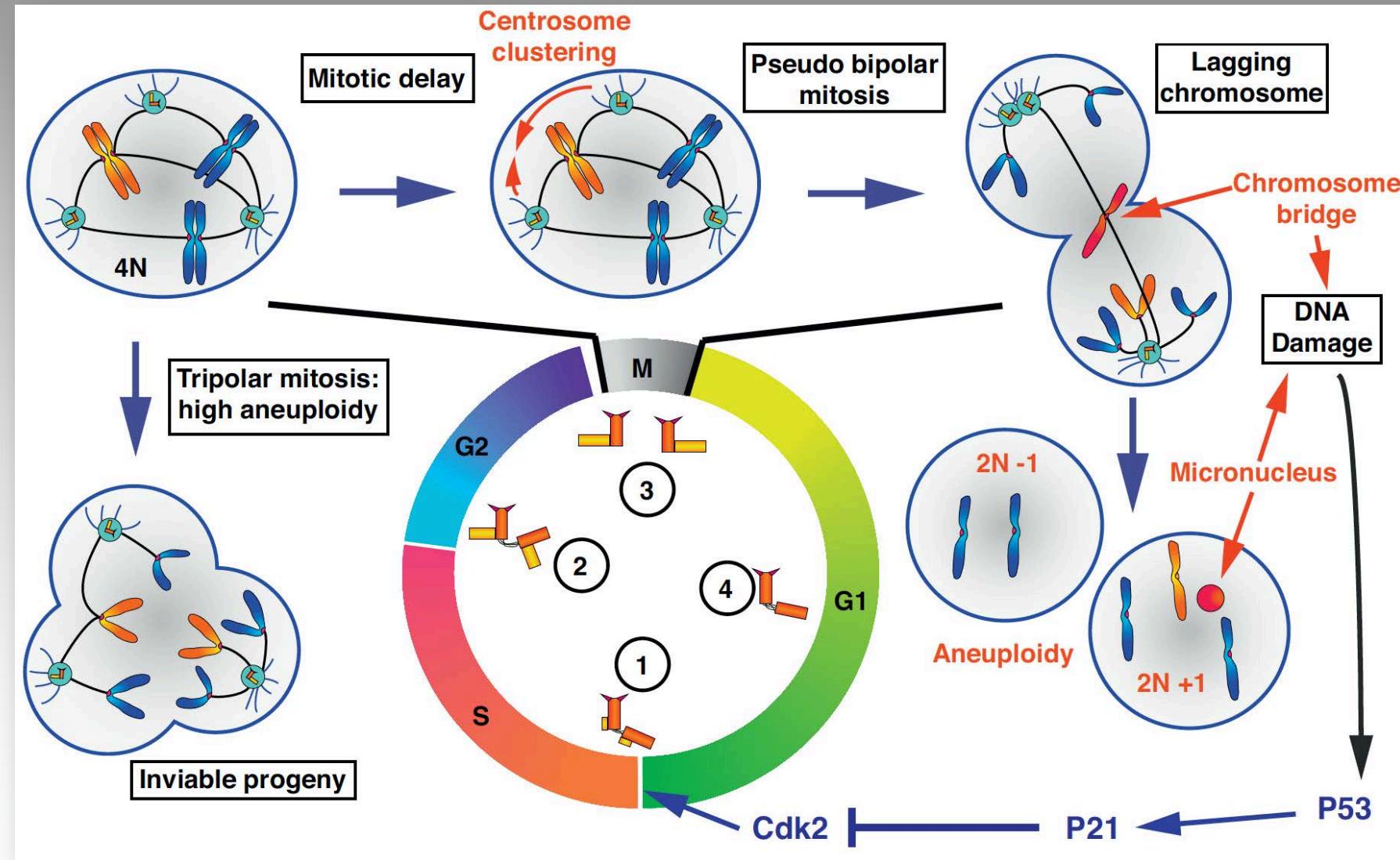
Kulukian et al, PNAS, 2015

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Perturbation of centrosome homeostasis



Preventing clustering could be used as a strategy to selectively kill cancer cells

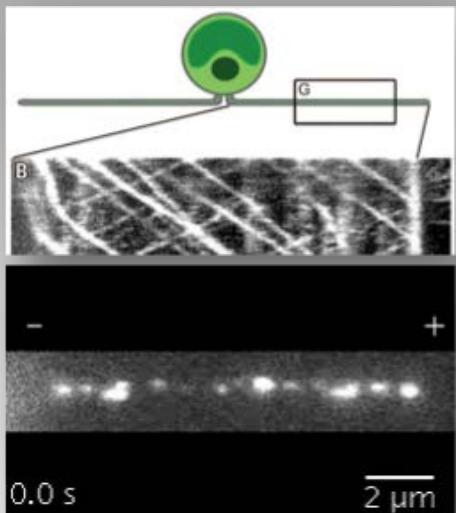
IFT machinery is required for efficient centrosome clustering in mitosis.

Centrosome, Cilia and Pathologies Team, CRBM

IFT machinery basics

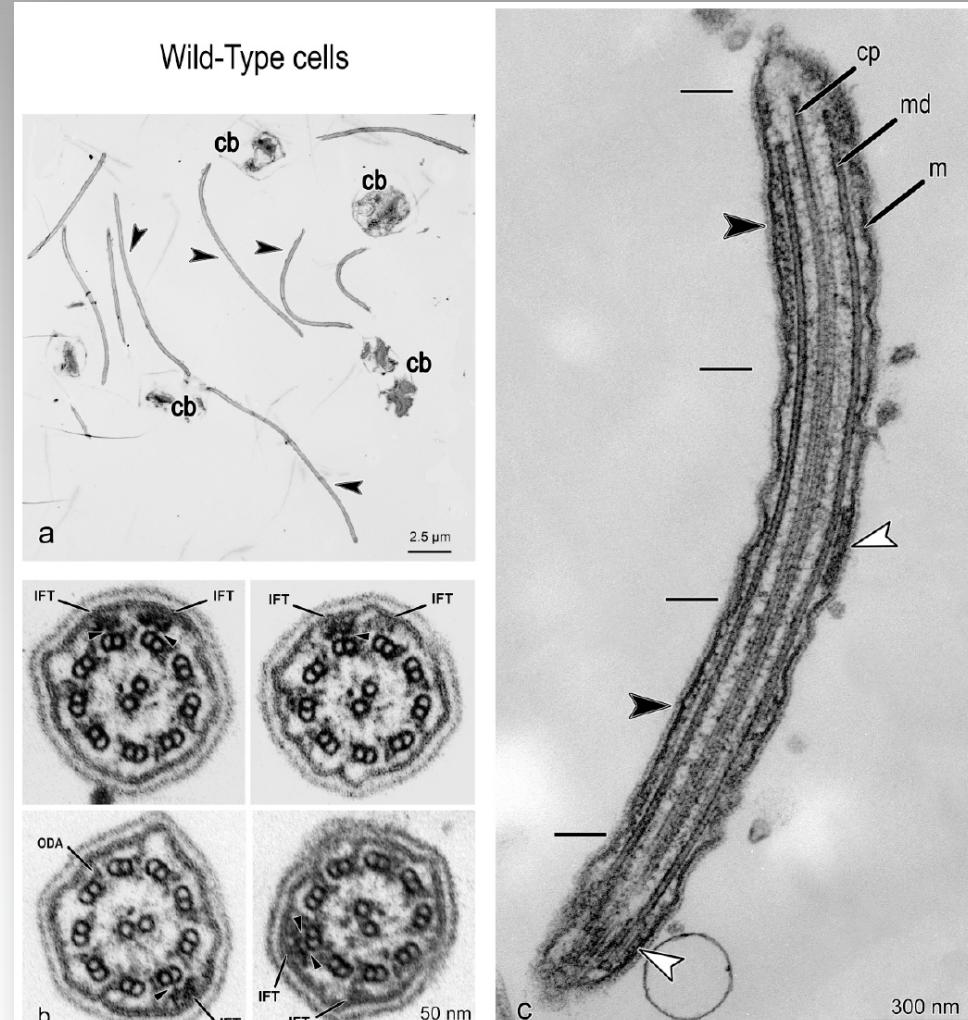
IFT is central to cilia/flagella formation and function.

Intraflagellar transport



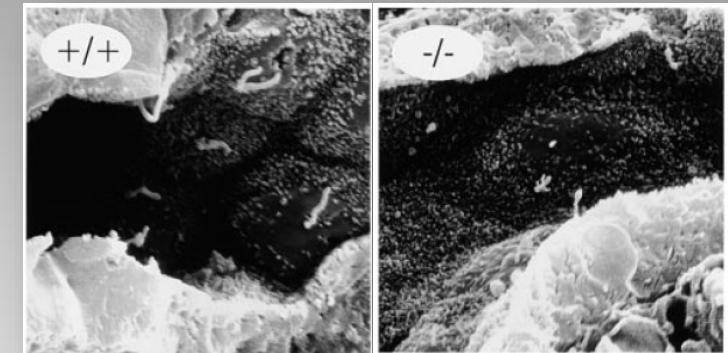
Stepanek et al, Science, 2016

IFT trains



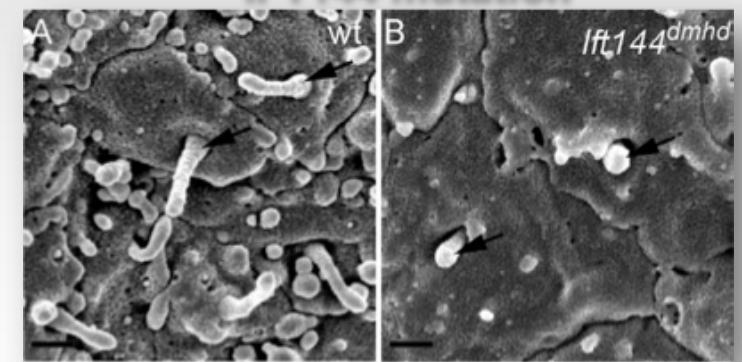
Pigino et al, JCB, 2009

IFT88 mutation



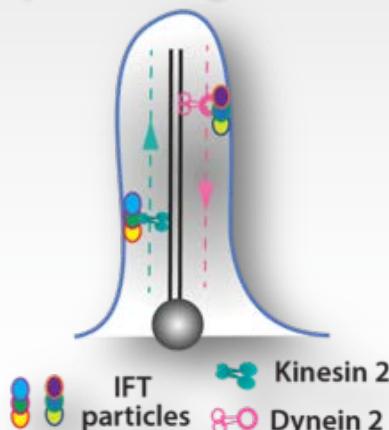
Pazour et al, JCB, 2000

IFT144 mutation



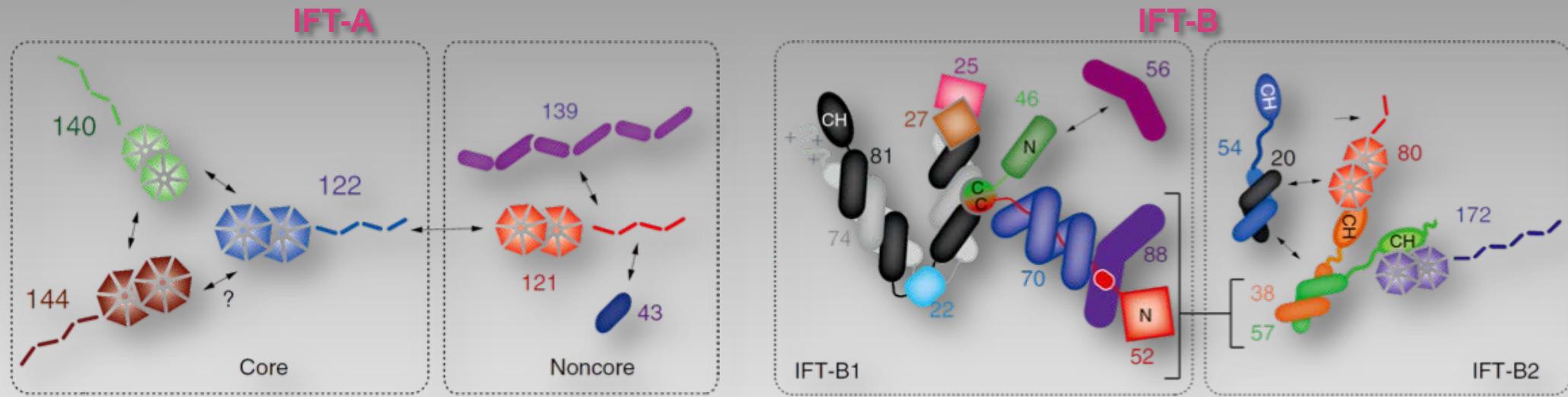
Liem et al, JCB, 2012

Transport along axoneme MTs

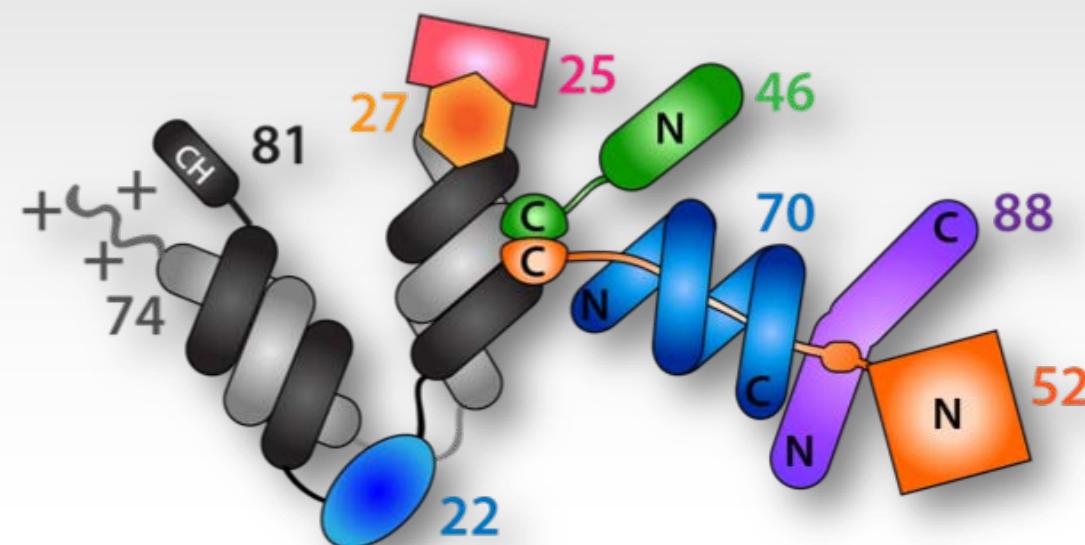


IFT machinery basics

IFT machinery is composed of two subcomplexes made of multiple proteins.



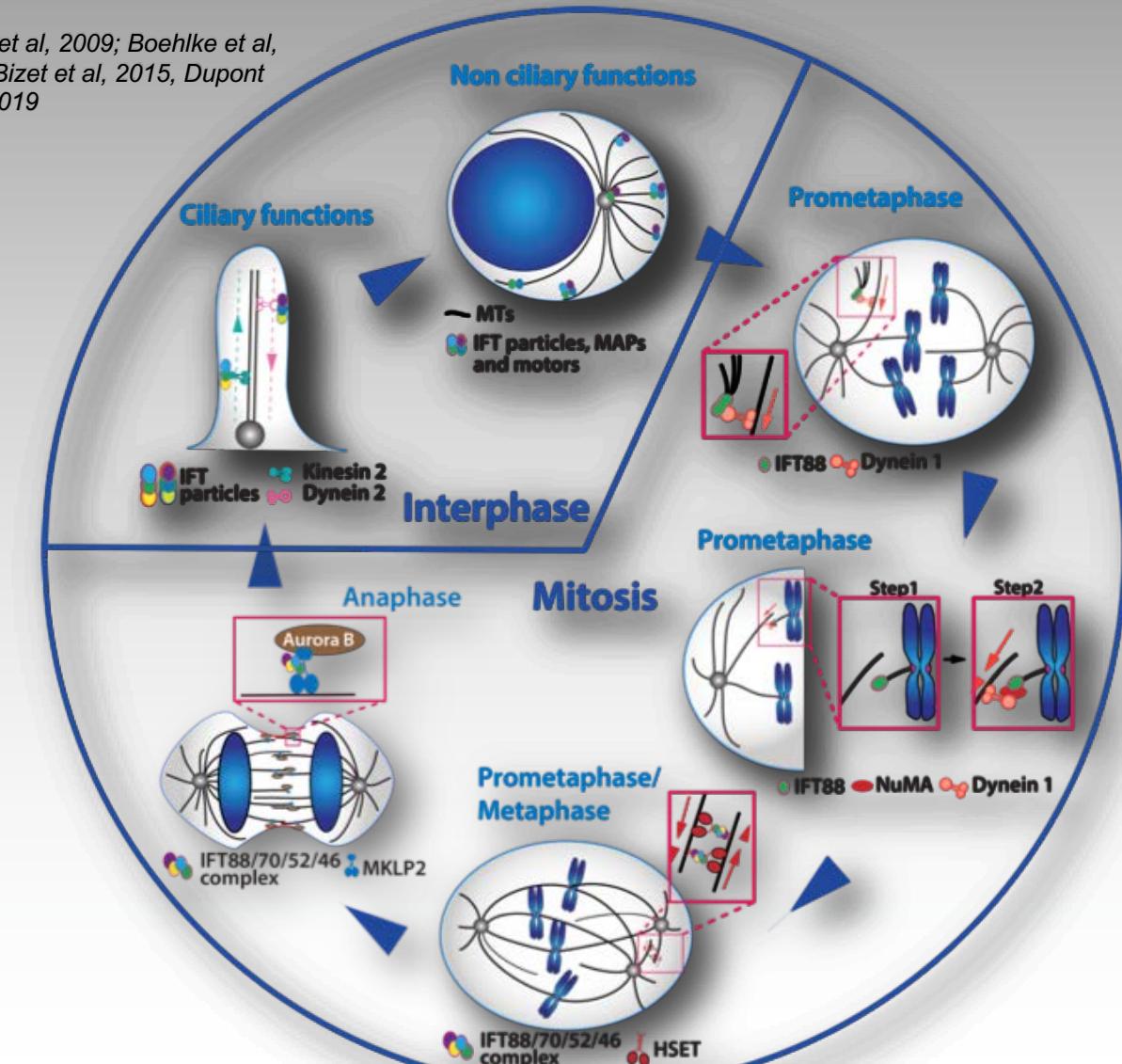
Taschner & Lorentzen, CSH perspectives Biol, 2016



Non ciliary functions of IFT proteins

IFT proteins contributes to intracellular transport and cytoskeleton organization outside cilia.

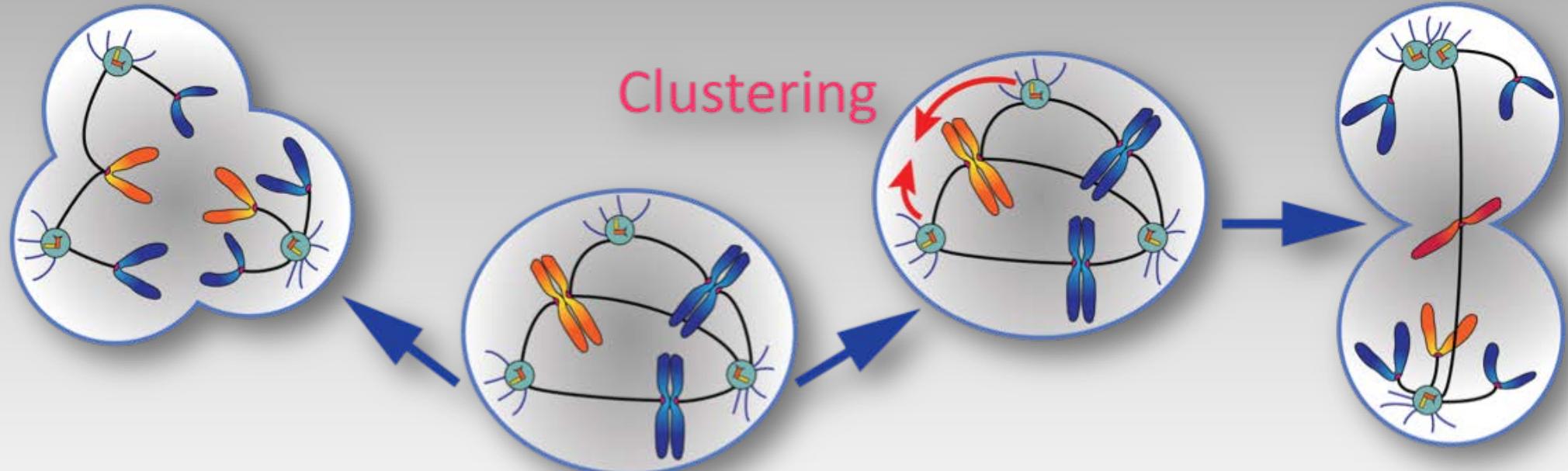
Finetti et al, 2009; Boehlke et al, 2015; Bizet et al, 2015, Dupont et al, 2019



Centrosome amplification and centrosome Clustering

Multipolar mitosis:
High aneuploidy, cell death

Pseudo-bipolar mitosis:
Low aneuploidy, cell survival

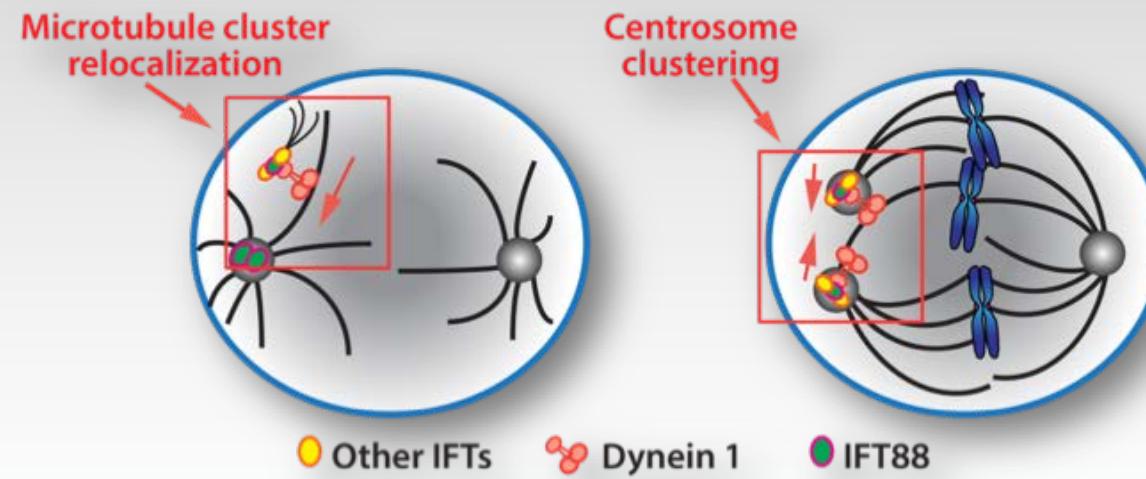


Quintyne *et al*, Science, 2005; Kwon *et al*, G&D, 2008; Ganem *et al*, Nature 2009

Cancer cells are particularly dependent on centrosome clustering
for survival

Molecular Mechanisms of centrosome clustering

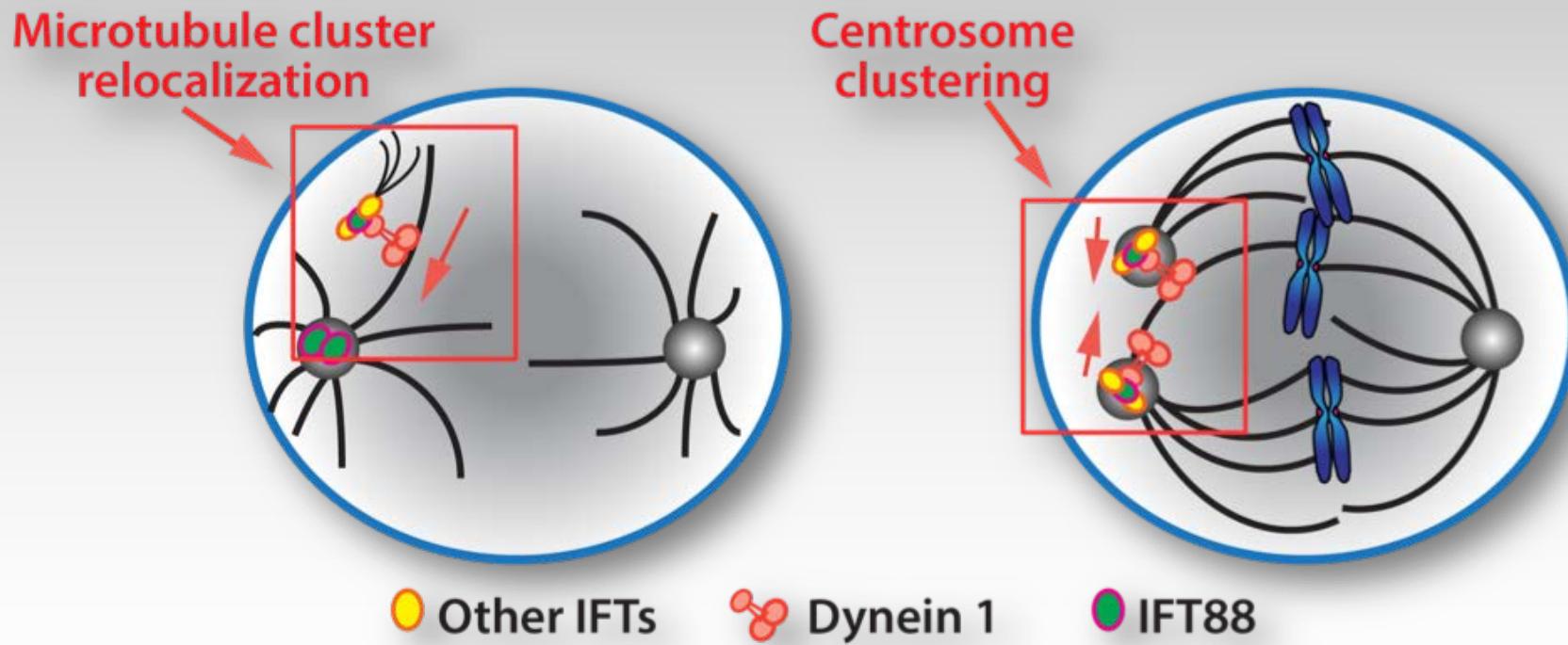
- Genome wide siRNA screening identify **key players** involved in clustering (Kwon et al, G&D, 2008; Leber et al, Science Trans. Med, 2010):
1. Actin / MT cytoskeleton proteins; 2. Molecular motors; 3. Mitotic checkpoint
- **IFT-B proteins interact** with mitotic motors involved in clustering (Dynein, Mklp2) and **modulate their activity** (Mklp2) (Delaval et al, 2011; Taulet et al, 2017).
- Additional interactions identified in proteomics screening: Mklp1/IFT27 Dynein/IFT20 HSET/IFT70



Could **IFTs** contribute to **centrosome clustering**?

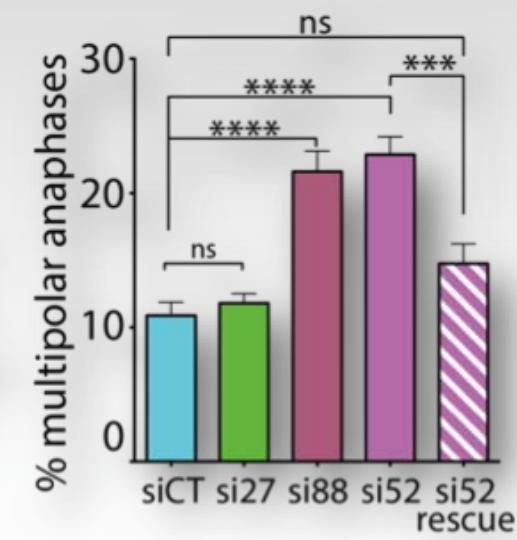
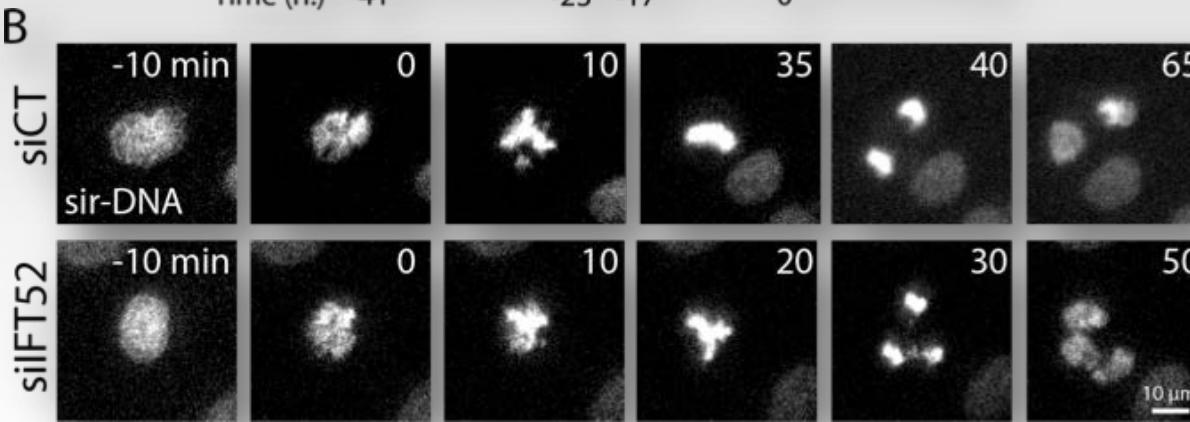
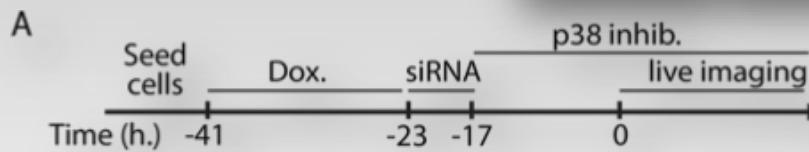
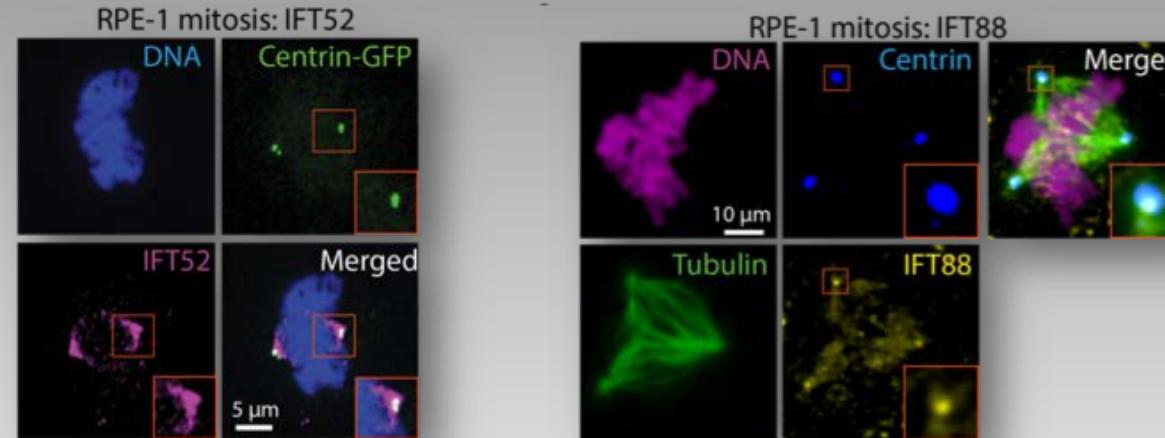
IFT proteins and centrosome clustering

- Does IFT machinery proteins contribute to centrosome clustering?
 - Is this effect mediated through mitotic motors?
- Does cancer cells relies on IFTs for clustering and survival?



Effects of various IFT depletion on cells with extra centrosomes

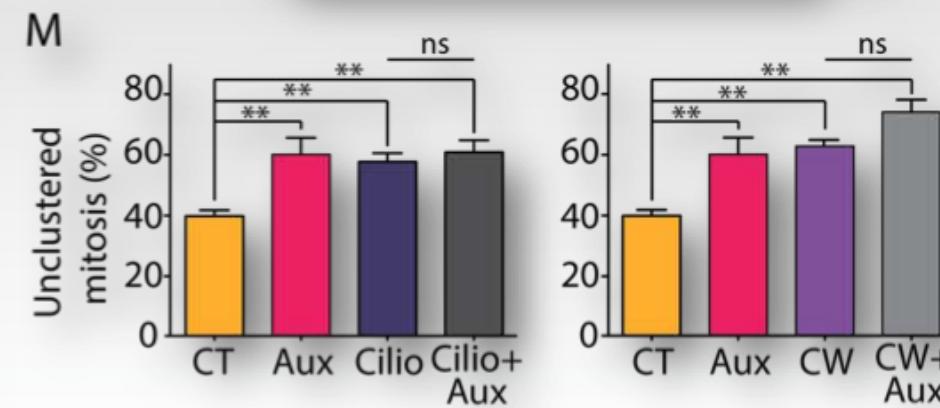
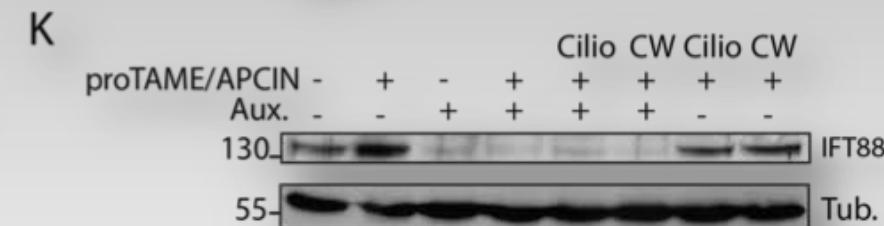
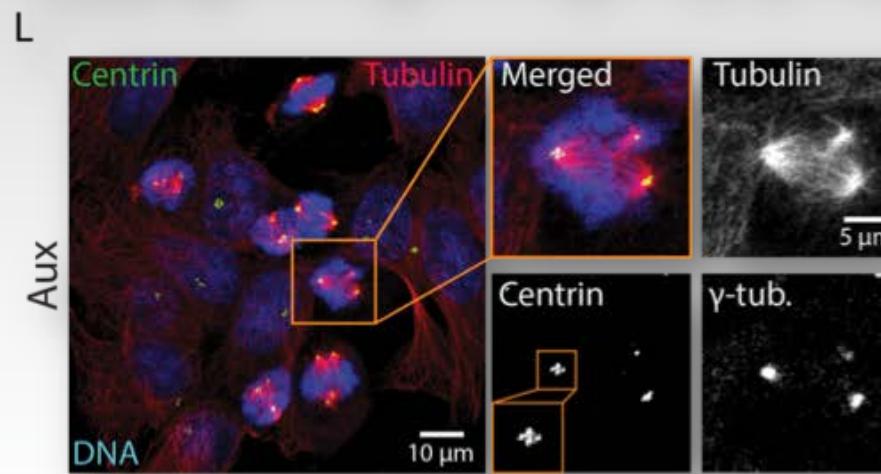
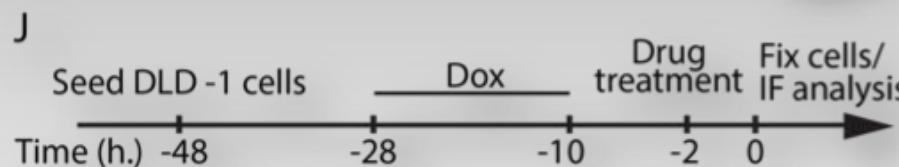
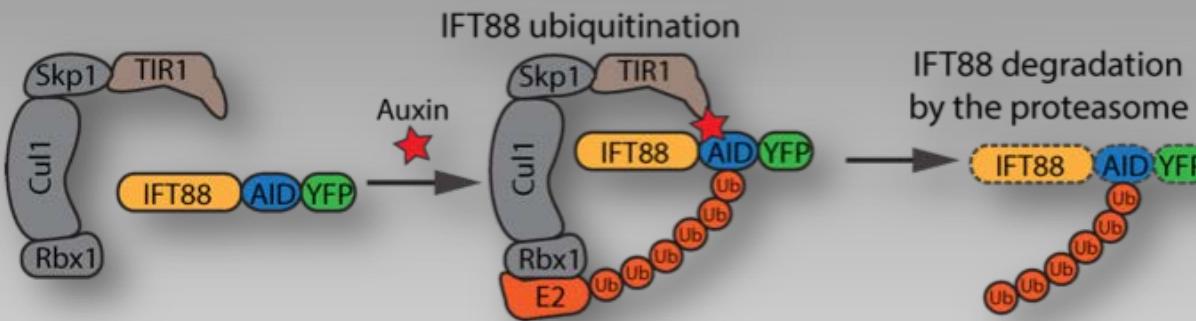
Centrosome **amplification** is induced in **RPE-1** using Doxycycline inducible Plk4 overexpression (>90% cells with centrosome amplification)



IFTs depletion impairs clustering in cells with extra centrosomes

Analysis of IFT effects on clustering in association with mitotic motors

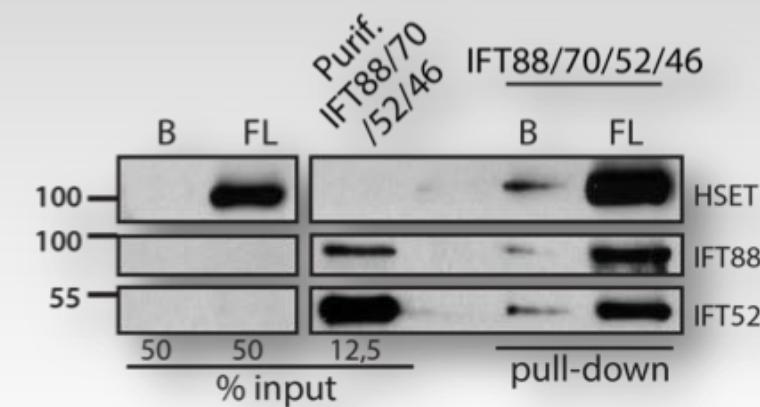
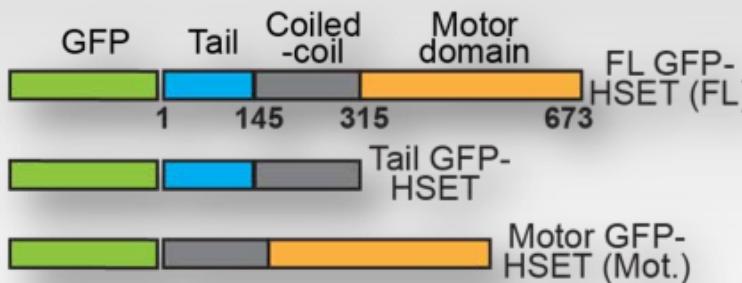
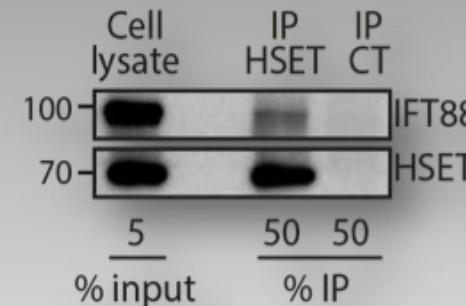
Combination of acute, auxin induce, degradation of IFT88 in mitosis with small molecules motor inhibition in DLD-1 cells



IFT88 activity on centrosome clustering could be mediated through HSET and dynein motors

Analysis of IFTs / HSET interactions

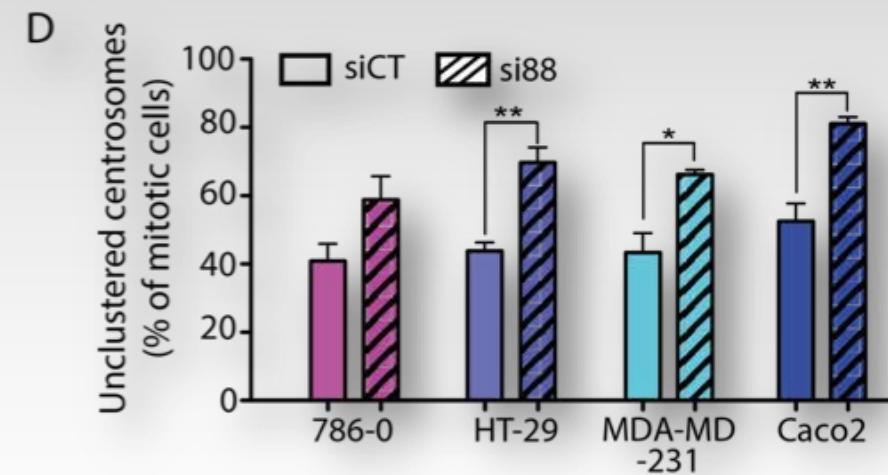
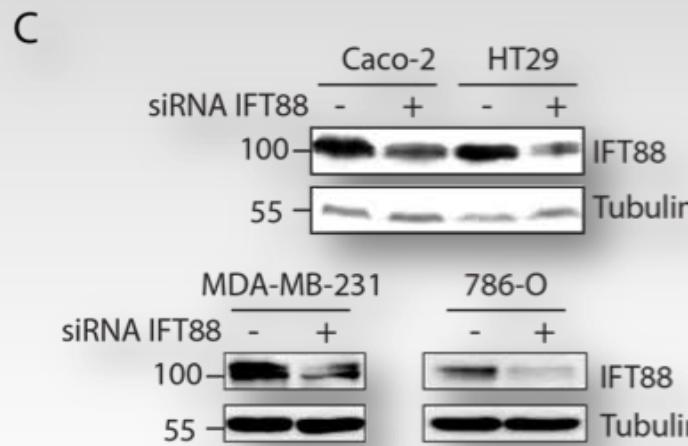
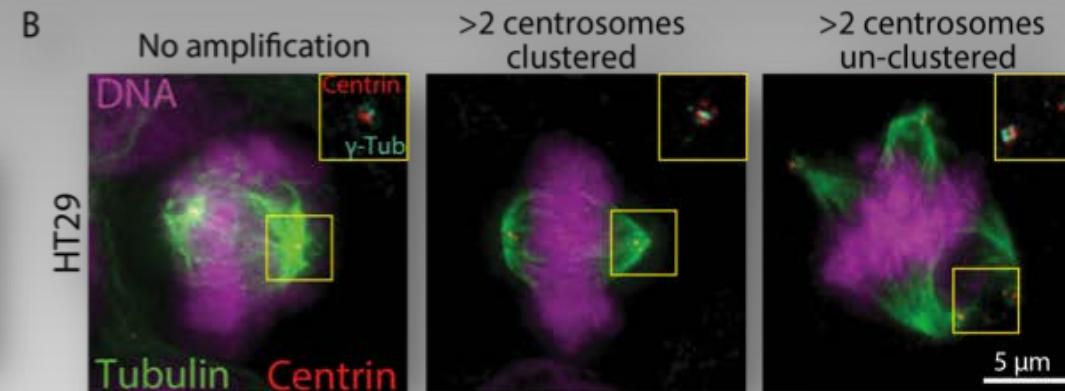
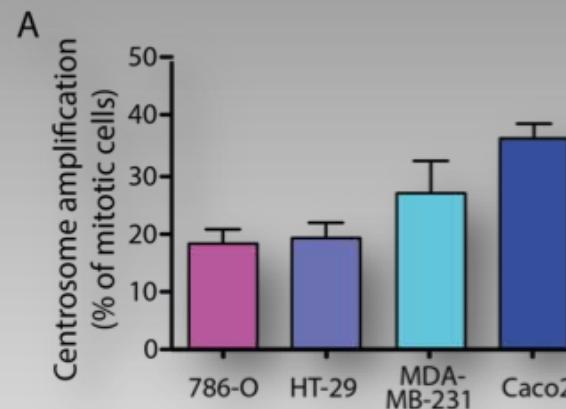
Using purified proteins to assess IFT/HSET interaction in cells and *in vitro*



IFT-B proteins interact with HSET *in cellulo* and *in vitro*

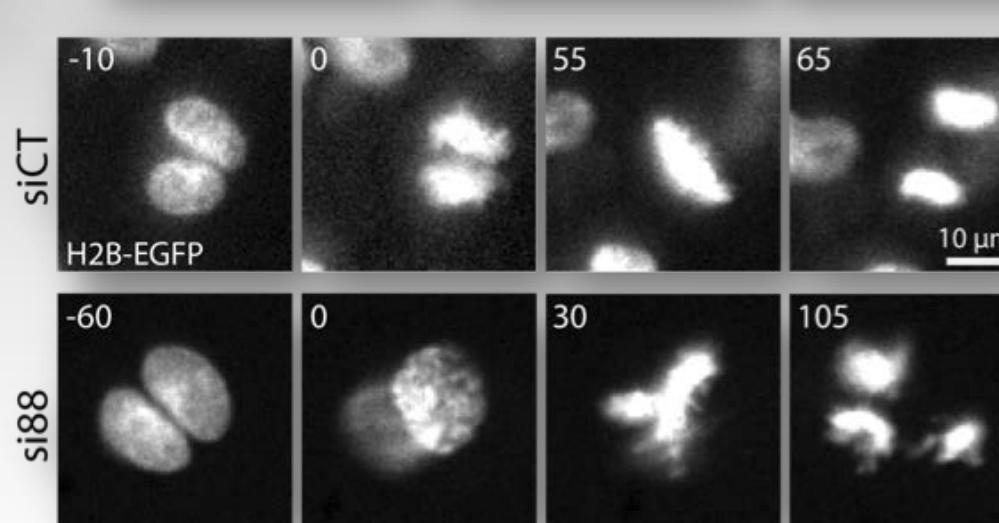
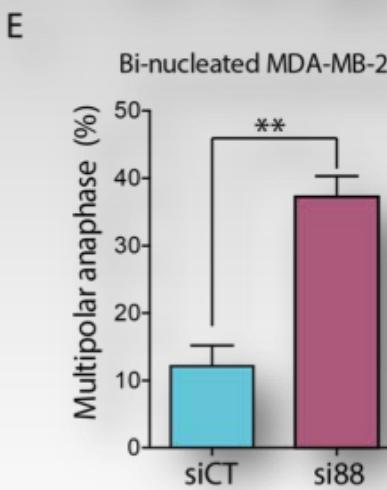
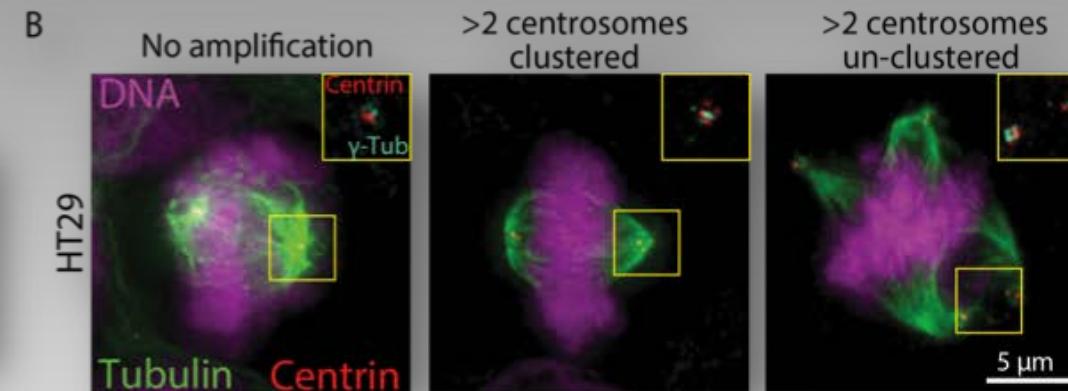
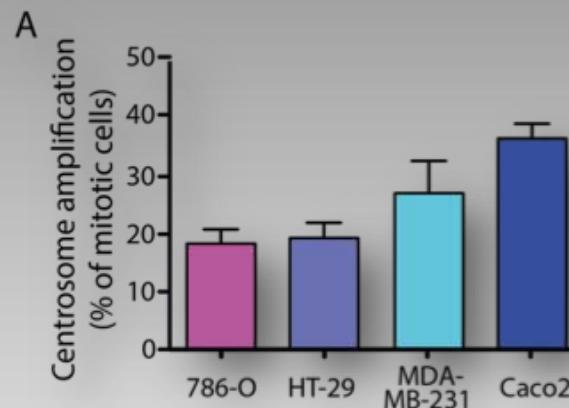
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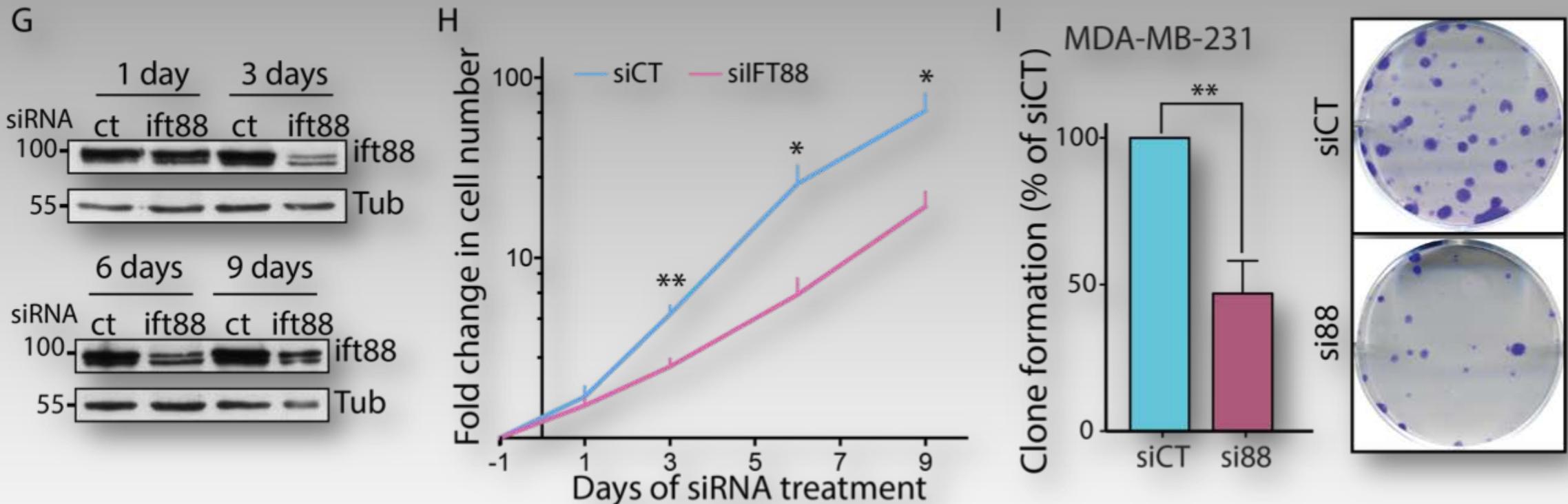
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IFT88 depletion in cancer cell lines with natural centrosome amplification perturbs centrosomes clustering

Effects of IFT88 depletion cancer cell lines naturally harboring extra centrosomes

Effects of IFT88 depletion on cancer cells **proliferative** and **clonogenic** capabilities



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IFT88 depletion in cancer cell lines with natural centrosome amplification results in **reduce proliferation** and **clonogenic** capabilities

Take Home message

- ACD is necessary for tissue development and homeostasis
- ACD polarity axis is mechanically determined by centrosome positioning and mitotic spindle axis
- Centrosome can directly contribute to ACD by breaking the symmetry of cell division
- Extra centrosomes are common in cancer and microcephaly
- Forcing cells to asymmetric division can be a strategy to impair proliferative disorder such as cancer
- Targeting IFT88 could be used as a strategy to force multipolar division of cancer cells with extra centrosomes

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