

A Genome-Wide Survey of Sexually Dimorphic Expression of *Drosophila* miRNAs Identifies the Steroid Hormone-Induced miRNA *let-7* as a Regulator of Sexual Identity

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ABSTRACT MiRNAs bear an increasing number of functions throughout development and in the aging adult. Here we address their role in establishing sexually dimorphic traits and sexual identity in male and female *Drosophila*. Our survey of miRNA populations in each sex identifies sets of miRNAs differentially expressed in male and female tissues across various stages of development. The pervasive sex-biased expression of miRNAs generally increases with the complexity and sexual dimorphism of tissues, gonads revealing the most striking biases. We find that the male-specific regulation of the X chromosome is relevant to miRNA expression on two levels. First, in the male gonad, testis-biased miRNAs tend to reside on the X chromosome. Second, in the soma, X-linked miRNAs do not systematically rely on dosage compensation. We set out to address the importance of a sex-biased expression of miRNAs in establishing sexually dimorphic traits. Our study of the conserved *let-7-C* miRNA cluster controlled by the sex-biased hormone ecdysone places *let-7* as a primary modulator of the sex-determination hierarchy. Flies with modified *let-7* levels present doublesex-related phenotypes and express sex-determination genes normally restricted to the opposite sex. In testes and ovaries, alterations of the ecdysone-induced *let-7* result in aberrant gonadal somatic cell behavior and non-cell-autonomous defects in early germline differentiation. Gonadal defects as well as aberrant expression of sex-determination genes persist in aging adults under hormonal control. Together, our findings place ecdysone and *let-7* as modulators of a somatic systemic signal that helps establish and sustain sexual identity in males and females and differentiation in gonads. This work establishes the foundation for a role of miRNAs in sexual dimorphism and demonstrates that similar to vertebrate hormonal control of cellular sexual identity exists in *Drosophila*.

SEXUAL dimorphism is pervasive throughout the animal kingdom. From insects, fishes, reptiles, and birds to mammals, hormones and genes shape the morphological, be-

havioral, and reproductive potential of each sex throughout development and adult life. *Drosophila* is no exception, with males and females differing in many ways: anatomical differences include the number of abdominal segments and their pigmentation, the proboscis, labial parts, dimorphic reproductive organs, the formation of sex combs exclusively in males, and 25% larger size in females. Differences that affect male and female behavior exist also in the nervous system and the brain. Y chromosome aside, male and female cells possess a strictly identical genomic content. Most of the differences between the sexes arise and persist via the regulation of sets of genes in a sex-specific manner.

The question of how hundreds if not thousands of genes are differentially expressed in males and females to produce

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sexually dimorphic individuals is extensively studied. Refined genomic and genetic studies have converged toward a model of differential expression that requires that both spatial and temporal programs be established throughout development (Arbeitman *et al.* 2002; Parisi *et al.* 2004; Lebo *et al.* 2009; Chatterjee *et al.* 2011). Probably the most important of these programs in flies is the sex-determination hierarchy (Baker *et al.* 1989; Christiansen *et al.* 2002; Camara *et al.* 2008; Clough and Oliver 2012). The primary determinant of *Drosophila* sex is the X chromosome to autosome (X:A) ratio (Bridges 1921), which determines the production of alternative splice variants of Sex lethal (*Sxl*) to generate an active SXL protein in females and a nonfunctional truncation in males (Cline 1978). *Sxl* activity is sufficient to direct the entire developmental programs of both somatic and germline sex determination (Christiansen *et al.* 2002; Robinett *et al.* 2010; Salz 2011; Whitworth *et al.* 2012). *Sxl* serves two essential functions: it restricts dosage compensation to males and controls the sex-determination hierarchy in each sex.

Dosage compensation is the process by which males double the transcription of genes on their single X chromosome to match the levels found in diplo-X females. This process requires a ribonucleoprotein complex, the compensasome, composed of two noncoding RNAs (*roX1* and *roX2*) and six proteins (male-specific lethals MSL-1, -2, -3, the helicase/ATPase MLE, histone acetyltransferase MOF, and histone kinase JIL1). In females, SXL represses the production of MSL-2 at both the transcriptional and translational level, therefore preventing dosage compensation. In males, lack of SXL function allows the male-specific expression of MSL-2 and its assembly into compensasomes to initiate dosage compensation (Bashaw and Baker 1997; see Duncan *et al.* 2006 for review).

At the top of the sex-determination hierarchy, SXL controls which sex-specific isoform is being processed from the doublesex (*dsx*) transcripts (reviewed in Christiansen *et al.* 2002). If the X:A ratio is 1, *Sxl* produces a female-specific splicing factor that causes female-specific splicing of the transformer (*tra*) transcript. TRA interacts with the transformer-2 (TRA2) splicing factor to produce a female-specific splice variant of *dsx* (Belote *et al.* 1989; Sosnowski *et al.* 1989; Ryner and Baker 1991). The female-specific DSX^F protein then activates female and inhibits male development. Because males lack SXL and subsequently TRA, a “default” male-specific splicing of *dsx* transcript generates the DSX^M protein, which inhibits female and promotes male traits. Loss-of-function mutations in *Sxl*, *tra*, and *tra2* transform XX individuals into males, but have no effect in XY males. In contrast, the *dsx* gene is important for the sexual differentiation of both sexes—in the absence of *dsx*, both XX and XY flies are anatomically and behaviorally intersex (Baker and Ridge 1980; Belote *et al.* 1985).

Only a few transcriptional targets through which DSX ultimately functions are known (Luo *et al.* 2011). DSX regulates sex-specific pigmentation patterns with abdominal-B (*Abd-B*) and bric-a-brac1 (*bab1*), resulting in males’ darker

abdomen (Williams *et al.* 2008). DSX^M controls the development of male-specific bristles or sex combs on the forelegs with sex-comb reduced (*Scr*) (Tanaka *et al.* 2011). In each sex, DSX orchestrates the differentiation of larval genital discs into mature dimorphic reproductive organs, external genitalia, and analia (Hildreth 1965; Chatterjee *et al.* 2011). DSX^F directly upregulates the expression of yolk proteins (*Yp1*, *Yp2*) (Burtis *et al.* 1991), and DSX^M downregulates their transcription.

The thorough dissection of *dsx* expression reveals that DSX presents two main characteristics (Lee *et al.* 2002; Hempel and Oliver 2007; Rideout *et al.* 2010; Robinett *et al.* 2010). First, the levels of DSX protein vary greatly throughout development within cells and tissues, implying a tight regulation of its steady states. Second, DSX is not present in all cells in a given tissue, so only some cells know their sex while others remain asexual.

MicroRNAs (miRNAs) appear as critical regulators of development and are themselves highly regulated (Ambros and Chen 2007; Bartel 2009; Smibert and Lai 2010; Dai *et al.* 2012). The interaction of microRNAs with the 3'-UTRs of transcribed mRNAs affects both a transcript's stability and its translation. Each miRNA can target several different mRNAs and each mRNA can be targeted by multiple miRNAs, generating an intricate network of gene expression regulation. As miRNAs could provide a rapid and tissue-specific means to alter gene expression, they represent ideal candidates for the regulation of spatial and temporal expression patterns of sex-determination genes, their cofactors, and downstream targets. Ultimately, the sex-biased expression of miRNAs could control directly the differential expression of many genes contributing to sexually dimorphic traits at a given time and place during development.

Sexually dimorphic miRNA profiles have been reported in mouse and chicken gonads, and in whole adult *Caenorhabditis elegans* (Mishima *et al.* 2008; Kato *et al.* 2009; Baley and Li 2012). In *Drosophila*, probing miRNA populations in whole animals during development has revealed widespread developmental regulation (Aravin *et al.* 2003; Ruby *et al.* 2007). However, the small RNA libraries generated in these studies came from either mixed-sex samples or single-sex but non-homogenous tissues, which may mask important sex- and tissue-specific variability in miRNA expression and function. To date, *Drosophila* lacks a critical examination of miRNA expression in two important contexts: sex-biased expression that may lead to sexually dimorphic function or spatial and temporal heterogeneity in expression that may drive tissue-specific functions. Both are critical to understanding the role of miRNAs across development.

To investigate these issues, we first established the profiles of miRNAs in several male and female adult parts and organs, larval dissected tissues, and embryonic cells. Their comparison reveals, in each tissue, sets of male- and female-biased miRNAs, increasing in number and extent with the complexity and sexual dimorphism of each tissue. We further address two aspects of miRNA functions in the

context of sexual identity: first, we test whether X-linked miRNAs are regulated by dosage compensation in males and, second, we explore the role of the steroid-induced miRNA *let-7* in regulating sexually dimorphic traits and how its male-biased expression in the gonads affects germline differentiation programs.

Materials and Methods

Fly strains and genetics

Oregon-R flies were used for miRNA profiling. *Msl3^P*, *mle¹*, and *pr mle^{12.17}* mutants are described in Fagegaltier and Baker (2004). All chromosomes but the mutant-bearing allele were exchanged to create isogenized lines by back crossing to a *w¹¹¹⁸*; *MKRS/TM6B* stock for >10 generations. Wandering non-*Tb*-mutant male and female larvae were identified by their gonads. Overexpression of miRNAs was performed using a *dsx-GAL4* driver (Robinett *et al.* 2010). *UAS-NLS-GFP* flies are from Bloomington (BL4776); *UAS-let-7*, *UAS-mir-100*, *UAS-mir-125*, and *UAS-let-7-C* constructs are described in Bejarano *et al.* (2012). In *let-7-C* and *ecd* mutant studies, flies were raised on standard cornmeal-yeast-agar-medium at 25° and fattened on wet yeast paste 1 day before dissection unless otherwise stated. The two knockout alleles *let-7-C^{GK1}* and *let-7-C^{KO1}* lack the whole *let-7-C* cluster; *let-7-C^{GK1}* contains the transcriptional activator GAL4 under the control of the *let-7-C* promoter; *let-7-C^{GK1}/let-7-C^{KO1}* are referred to as Δ *let-7-C* (Sokol *et al.* 2008). Flies with a transgene rescuing the *let-7-C* cluster (*P{W8, let-7-C}*; *let-7-C^{GK1}/let-7-C^{KO1}*) are referred to as *let-7-C* Rescue. The *P{W8, let-7-C Δ let-7}* construct restores all *let-7-C* miRNA members except for *let-7*. For miRNA loss of function, *let-7-C^{GK1}/let-7-C^{KO1}*; *P{W8, let-7-C Δ let-7}*/+ flies referred to as Δ *let-7* were used. The following additional fly stocks were used: *FRT40A let-7 mir-125/CyO* and *UAS-let-7-C*; *Sco/CyO* (Caygill and Johnston 2008), *UAS-let-7/TM6* (Sokol *et al.* 2008), *Ubi-GFP FRT40A/CyO*; *bab1-Gal4:UAS-Flp/TM2* (a gift from A. González-Reyes), *UAS-CD8GFP:UAS-nuc lacZ* (a gift from F. Hirth), *Oregon-R*, *w¹¹¹⁸*, and *ecd^{1ts}* (BL4210).

Sample collections for miRNA-Seq and validation

To ensure that miRNA-Seq samples are not contaminated by other tissues, ~120 Oregon-R heads were individually separated with a scalpel from the rest of the body of ~24-hr-old males and females, collected on ice and quickly frozen. Salivary glands were dissected from ~130 wandering late L3 larvae of each sex identified by their gonads. For qPCR validations of miRNA-Seq data sets, at least two additional independent collections were performed as above. We also collected ovaries and testes from 0- to 2- and 2- to 4-day-old Oregon-R individuals, S2 (Invitrogen), and Kc-167 cells (DGRC) washed in 1× PBS. All dissected tissues and cells were quickly snap frozen in liquid nitrogen and RNA preparations enriched for small RNAs using an adapted Trizol protocol.

miRNA-Seq

30-100 μg of total RNAs were subject to 2S rRNA depletion and DNase treated. Size selected 18-29nt sRNAs were cloned according to (Malone *et al.* 2012). Libraries were clustered and sequenced on the Illumina GAIIx platform.

Cuticle preparations

Three- to 4-day-old flies were placed in ethanol and incubated in 10% NaOH for 1 hr at 70°. Adult abdominal cuticles were mounted and flattened in 30% glycerol. Pictures were taken at the same magnification using a Nikon SMZ150 microscope and Nikon DS-Ri1 camera.

Perturbation of ecdysone levels

The *ecd^{1ts}* temperature-sensitive mutation is known to reduce ecdysone levels at the nonpermissive temperature (Garen *et al.* 1977). Oregon-R and *ecd^{1ts}* flies were kept at the permissive temperature (18°) and 2- to 4-day-old adults were shifted to the restrictive temperature (29°) for 5-11 days to block ecdysone synthesis. Control Oregon-R and *ecd^{1ts}* flies were kept at 18° for the same time.

Clonal analysis

Somatic cell clones in CpCs and ECs were induced using mitotic recombination as described previously (König *et al.* 2011). *FRT40A let-7 mir-125/CyO*; *P{W8, let-7-C Δ let-7}* flies were crossed to *Ubi-GFP FRT40A/CyO*; *bab1-Gal4:UAS-Flp/TM2*. Third-instar larvae were heat shocked for 2 hr on 2 consecutive days in a 37° water bath and returned to 25°. Mutant clones were identified by the absence of GFP in 5-day-old adult ovaries.

Immunofluorescence and antibodies

Ovaries and testes were fixed in 5% formaldehyde (Polysciences, Inc.) for 10 min and stained as described in König and Shcherbata (2013). We used the following mouse monoclonal antibodies: anti-adducin (1:50), anti-lamin C (1:50), anti-arm (1:50), anti-FasIII (1:50), rat monoclonal antibody anti-DE-cadherin (Developmental Studies Hybridoma Bank), guinea pig anti-Tj (1:3000, D. Godt), rabbit anti-vasa (1:5000, gift from R. Pflanz), anti-β-Gal (1:3000, Cappel), and anti-GFP-directly conjugated with AF488 (1:3000, Invitrogen), Alexa 488, 568, or 633 goat anti-mouse, anti-rabbit (1:500, Molecular Probes), goat anti-rat Cy5 (1:250, Jackson ImmunoResearch). Images were obtained with a confocal laser-scanning microscope (Zeiss LSM700) and processed with Adobe Photoshop.

Testis analysis and statistics

To determine the frequency of somatic cell differentiation defects in testis, the percentage of testis with somatic cell clusters (<5, ≥5, and >10) and epithelium appearance at the apex or at the lateral side of the anterior region of testicular tube were quantified. Statistics were calculated using two-way tables and chi-square test.

Determination of *let-7* expression

To analyze the expression pattern of *let-7-C*, *let-7-C^{GK1}/CyO* flies were crossed to *UAS-mCD8-GFP:UAS-nuc-lacZ*. To analyze *let-7-C* levels upon stress, 3- to 5-day-old *let-7-C^{GK1}/UAS-mCD8GFP:UAS-nuc-lacZ* flies were heat shocked for 1 hr at 37° and their gonads were dissected and assayed for immunohistological analysis.

Quantitative PCR Assays (RT-qPCR)

For qPCR validation of the miRNA-Seq data sets and X-linked miRNA expression studies, 100 ng/μl RNA samples were spiked after DNase digestion with a synthetic primer at 6.10e9 copies/μl, polyadenylated and reverse transcribed according to the miScript reverse transcriptase kit instructions (Qiagen). Each miRNA was quantified with a specific primer (Supporting Information, Table S1) following the miScript SYBR green PCR kit instructions. All miRNAs were tested in triplicates on two independent biological replicates with the appropriate controls. Ct values were normalized to *U6* snRNA levels in miRNA-Seq validation experiments using the $\Delta\Delta C_T$ method and $2^{-\Delta\Delta C_T}$ values calculations and to *Dspt4* mRNA levels in the dosage compensation mutant studies (see Table S11, Table S12, Table S13, Table S14, Table S15, and Table S16).

For *let-7* quantification, reverse transcription and qPCR were performed following the manufacturers' protocol using TaqMan MicroRNA assay, with 2S rRNA as an endogenous control. *Let-7* levels were determined in gonads and carcasses from Oregon-R males and females. To eliminate effects that could possibly arise because ovaries contain different amounts of eggs and late egg chambers, late-stage egg chambers and eggs were removed from the dissected ovaries, leaving only the anterior part of the ovary containing the germaria. To measure *let-7* levels upon perturbation of ecdysone, ovaries and testes of Oregon-R and *ecd^{1ts}* mutants raised at 18° and shifted to 29° for 5 or 11 days (or kept at 18° for control for the same amount of time) were dissected. RNA was extracted in Trizol according to the manufacturer's instructions before proceeding with RT-qPCR.

Sex-specific mRNA transcript levels were assessed in 5- to 7-day-old Δ *let-7* and *let-7-C* Rescue control whole flies that were raised at 25° and shifted to 33° for 4 days or in Oregon-R and *ecd^{1ts}* mutants raised at 18° and shifted 1–3 days after hatching to 29° (or kept at 18° for control) for 5 or 11 days. cDNA was generated using the cDNA reverse transcription kit (Applied Biosystems) according to the manufacturer's instructions and qPCR performed using the fast SYBR Green Master Mix (Applied Biosystems). A Step One Plus 96 well system (Applied Biosystems) was used for all analyses. All reactions were run in triplicates with appropriate blanks. The reactions were incubated at 95° for 10 min followed by 40 cycles at 95° for 15 sec and 60° for 60 sec (TaqMan MicroRNA). The ΔC_T value was determined by subtracting the C_T value of the endogenous control from the experimental C_T value. $\Delta\Delta C_T$ was calculated by subtracting the ΔC_T of the control sample from the suspect ΔC_T value. The relative

RNA levels were calculated using $2^{-\Delta\Delta C_T}$. Primers are described in Table S1.

Bioinformatics

The libraries produced in this study (NCBI GEO series record GSE57029) were complemented with existing libraries from lymphoid cells (GSM272653, Kc cells; GSM272652, S2 cells) (Chung *et al.* 2008) and from 2- to 4-day-old Oregon-R adult testis (GSM280085) and ovary (GSM280082) (Czech *et al.* 2008). Reads were clipped of the adapter sequences, filtered for sequences mapping to viruses and simple repeats, and aligned to the *Drosophila melanogaster* genome (BDGP R5/dm3) with no mismatches using NexAlign (program available from the OSC: Data & Resource website). Uniquely mapped reads were annotated using a priority pipeline as in (Czech *et al.* 2008) and FlyBase r5.26, miRbase r.15 and in-house miRNA annotations. Reads corresponding to 184 annotated miRNAs were extracted and counts reported to estimate expression levels (Table S9). For each library, miRNA reads are normalized using the trimmed median ratio used to calculate a correction factor applied to all miRNA counts in a given library. Normalized counts (Table S10) were then input to calculate the relative expression and fold change in expression in pairwise comparisons between male and female samples. The contribution of each miRNA to a library was calculated as the normalized read counts over the total number of miRNA reads in the library (Table S22). The relative abundance of a miRNA across tissues was calculated by dividing the normalized count by the total of normalized counts across all libraries. Heatmaps were generated in R using the `hclust()` function to perform hierarchical cluster analysis.

Results and Discussion

MiRNA profiling in male and female tissues

We adopted a genomic approach and surveyed the populations of miRNAs in several *Drosophila* male and female tissues selected at various stages of development. Sexed miRNA-Seq data sets include late-embryo-derived lymphoid cells, larval salivary glands, and ~1-day-old adult head and body, as well as germline-enriched tissues (ovary and testis) from mature adults (2- to 4-day-old).

Libraries prepared in different ways have been shown to result in variable sequencing efficiencies for individual miRNAs, so that differences in miRNA read counts between libraries may be caused by differential cloning efficiencies rather than reflect differences in their expression. To assess potential biases between sexes as accurately as possible, we prepared libraries and integrated carefully selected existing data sets (see *Materials and Methods*). All provide sufficient depth and breadth and were prepared with the Rnl2 truncated ligase, identical 5' and 3' cloning adaptors, and PCR conditions.

Several methods are available to analyze high-throughput miRNA profiling; however, none has reached a consensus.

The choice of a processing and normalization method can affect greatly the estimates of differentially expressed miRNAs between tissues, especially when comparing tissues that differ substantially in their miRNA content (Dillies *et al.* 2013). We find the trimmed median method most suitable to normalize our data sets, which cover a wide range of tissues (see *Materials and Methods*). Normalized counts were then input to get empirical estimates of the relative abundance of a given miRNA in a library, in pairwise comparisons between male and female tissues, and across all samples. To assess the accuracy of our analyses, we assayed the expression of miRNAs across these samples using an independent method (qPCR; Figure S1). Of the 22 miRNAs tested for validation, 16 miRNAs show similar trends by qPCR and deep sequencing consistently across all samples. For five additional miRNAs, the enrichment trend and/or sex biases could not be confirmed in one or more tissues, while consistent in others. One miRNA showed systematically different profiles by qPCR and deep sequencing due to the presence of miRNAs with very close sequences that qPCR could not distinguish. Although cloning artifacts that may alter miRNA expression profiles in some libraries cannot be excluded, the highly overlapping trends of our qPCR validation set with those of normalized miRNA-Seq data suggest that our analysis reflects miRNA populations in each tissue and supports our main conclusions.

Samples included in our data set were selected to allow a detailed examination of the biases in miRNA content between male and female in tissues of increasing complexity with regard to the nature and number of different cells they contain and in tissues ranging from poorly to highly sexually dimorphic. We assess sex biases of miRNAs at the level of single cells in culture (lymphoid cells), in a very simple tissue with functions in both sexes (salivary glands), and in several fly parts of variable complexity and sexual dimorphism (head, body, ovary, and testis).

Each tissue is enriched for specific miRNAs, highlighted in clusters in Figure 1A, many of which are enriched in both sexes. Ubiquitous and evolutionary conserved miRNAs (*mir-14*, *bantam*, *mir-8*, *mir-1*) are highly expressed in most tissues (Table 1). However, even for such prevalent miRNAs, their relative abundance varies greatly depending on the tissue and stage studied (Table 1 and Figure 1A), denoting a high degree of variation in miRNA populations between tissues and the compartmentalization of their functions in a dynamic fashion.

In addition to a temporal and spatial regulation of miRNAs during development (Ruby *et al.* 2007), a novel layer of complexity arises as we compare miRNA populations between males and females. Regardless of its heterogeneity, each tissue examined reveals miRNAs differentially or even exclusively expressed in one sex (Figure 1, B–H). The example of *mir-8* illustrates how a miRNA classically regarded as abundant presents unexpected differences at the cellular level: *mir-8* ranks within the top two most abundant miRNAs in heads and salivary glands (10–15% of reads), but fourth in lymphoid Kc cells (4%), and only

17th in S2 cells (<1%; Table 1). Following from this example, we systematically analyzed the miRNAs families present in each tissue and estimate their sex-biased expression.

MiRNAs in lymphoid embryonic-derived cells

We examined miRNAs populations in two embryonic hemocyte-derived cell lines commonly considered as male (S2) and female (Kc-167) based on the status of dosage compensation (Alekseyenko *et al.* 2012). In S2 cells, the X chromosome is upregulated by compensasomes recruited along the X chromosome at sites identical to those seen in embryos, male salivary glands, and whole larvae (Alekseyenko *et al.* 2006; Legube *et al.* 2006; Straub *et al.* 2008). In Kc cells, dosage compensation does not occur.

In our assays, most miRNAs are common to both Kc and S2 cell lines (Figure 1B). Overall, *mir-14*, *mir-184*, and *bantam* are most abundant and account for about half of all miRNA reads (Table 1) in both cell lines. Our miRNA profiles agree with the medium levels of *mir-2* (*mir-2a/-2b* mainly) and high levels of *mir-34* described in S2 cells (Sempere *et al.* 2003). High expression of *mir-14* in these immortalized cell lines is consistent with its role as a cell-death suppressor (Xu *et al.* 2003). In addition, we do not detect miRNAs from the *let-7-C* cluster (*let-7*, *mir-100*, *mir-125*) in either cell type. This is consistent with previous reports in which the *let-7-C* miRNAs are detected only upon addition of the steroid hormone ecdysone, which has the opposite repressive effect on *mir-34* (Sempere *et al.* 2003; Chawla and Sokol 2012).

For sexually dimorphic expression, we identify sex biases for several miRNAs: *mir-12*, *mir-304*, *mir-92a*, and *mir-278* are more abundant in female Kc cells, whereas *mir-252*, *mir-307*, *mir-282*, and *mir-980* are more prominent in male S2 cells (full lists in Table S2). Simple male and female embryonic cell lines express comparable miRNAs, yet differ in the level at which they express them.

MiRNAs in larval salivary glands

We examined miRNAs in larval salivary glands, organs that secrete the “glue” allowing the larva to attach to a substrate before pupariation. Salivary glands consist of two simple cell types (Kerman *et al.* 2006): secretory cells and duct cells that connect them to the larval mouth. Each type originates from ~100 cells in the embryonic ectoderm. The secretory cells initiate multiple rounds of DNA replication and differentiate without subsequent division (endoreplication) to create the giant polytene chromosomes needed to meet the increased metabolic requirements of these cells to produce secretory proteins.

Among all samples, miRNAs with a strong preference for expression in salivary glands are, in descending expression levels, *mir-263a*, *mir-375*, *mir-304*, *mir-275*, *mir-283*, *mir-308*, *mir-286*, *mir-5*, and *mir-307-as* (Figure 1A). Many of these highly expressed miRNAs (e.g., *mir-8*, *mir-263a*, *mir-275*, *mir-12*, and *mir-304*) match those whose expression peaks during the larval stages (Ruby *et al.* 2007). In contrast, others (*bantam*, *mir-13b*, *mir-11* or *mir-14*, *mir-2b*) are expressed more ubiquitously during development.

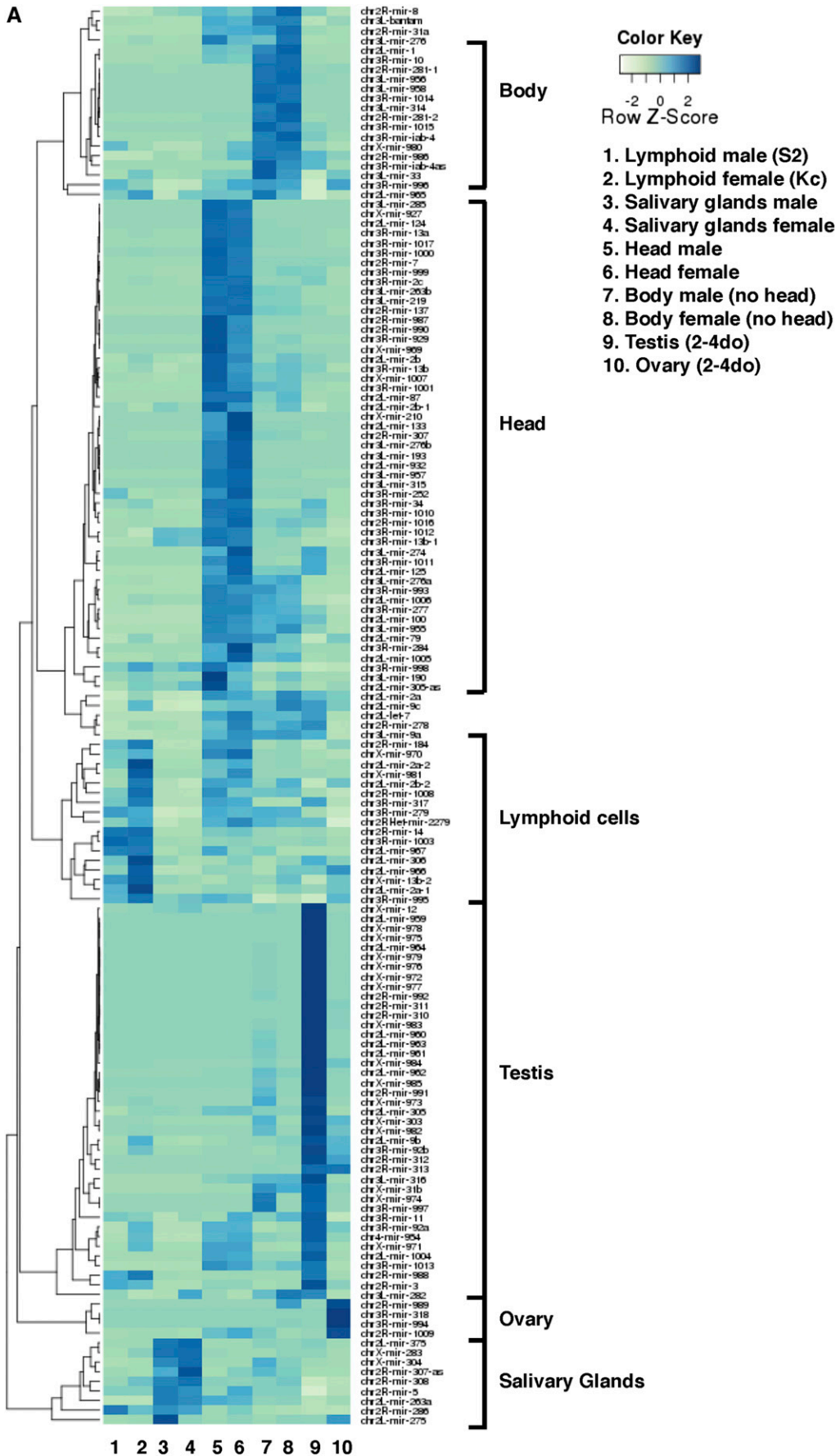


Figure 1 Expression of miRNAs in various male and female tissues. (A) Expression of miRNAs across 10 sexed libraries. Blue color intensity ranging from light to dark indicates an increasing abundance of normalized counts estimates for a given miRNA relative to all miRNAs in that library and to all libraries. Clusters of miRNAs enriched in a given tissue are highlighted. The 147 miRNAs with >30 normalized reads across all libraries were retained. 2–4 do: 2- to 4-day-old flies. The biased expression of miRNAs and their expression levels are shown in pairwise comparisons in each tissue in (B) embryonic hemocyte-derived S2 (male) and Kc-167 (female) cells. (C) Late larvae L3 Salivary Glands. (D) Adult Head. (E) Adult body (head removed). (F) Testis compared to male Body. (G) Ovary compared to female Body. (H) Testis compared to ovary. For each miRNA, the ratio of normalized reads (M/M+F or F/M+F) (x-axis) is plotted against its normalized expression level (% , log scale). Each dot represents a miRNA; miRNA's present in one sexed tissue have a ratio of 0 or 1. Pearson correlations between male and female samples: 0.95 in lymphoid cells; 0.98 in salivary glands; 0.96 in heads; 0.99 in body; 0.25 in testis/ovary. M, Male; F, Female.

male (mir-275) and female cells (miR-279, mir-282) (Table S3).

For several miRNAs, including mir-304, mir-12, mir-283, mir-314, and mir-981, the relative abundance in male and female salivary glands is matched in whole larvae, suggesting widespread or general functions (D. Fagegaltier, data not shown). Others vary, suggesting more discrete roles—these include miR-210, mir-13b, mir-100, mir-1013, and miR-979 (note that the latter has low reproducibility in salivary glands in our assay). Supporting this view, we detect by qPCR higher amounts of mir-979, mir-210, and mir-314 in whole larvae compared to salivary glands, and mir-979 and mir-314 are expressed in mixed L1-L3 larval imaginal discs (Ruby *et al.* 2007).

Surprisingly, although *let-7* is undetectable by Northern blot on unsexed whole L3 larvae (Sempere *et al.* 2002), we find *let-7* in salivary glands of both males (48 normalized reads) and females (219 reads) (Table S3). The function of *let-7* in salivary glands is unknown, but sex-biased expression could reveal interesting differences and asynchrony in tissue homeostasis during male and female transition from larval to pupal stages.

MiRNAs in adult heads

In adult heads from 1-day-old flies, the most prominent miRNAs are mir-8, mir-1, mir-276a, and *bantam* (Table 1). All were shown to act on neural target genes, genes controlling circadian rhythms, eye development, and growth (see Smibert and Lai 2010 for review; Marrone *et al.* 2012; Li *et al.* 2013). Interestingly, whole heads do not differ dramatically in their miRNA profiles between males and females (Figure 1, A–D). Mir-2a, mir-2b, mir-277, mir-278, and, importantly, *let-7*, mir-34, and mir-124 are expressed at comparable levels in both sexes, in agreement with their general role in specifying neuronal cell fate, plasticity, and neurodegeneration (Kucherenko *et al.* 2012; Liu *et al.* 2012; Weng and Cohen 2012; Wu *et al.* 2012). Conversely, head expression of mir-276 and mir-190 is enriched in males, and mir-210, mir-274, mir-980, and mir-981 in females (Table S4). This finding hints toward sexually dimorphic functions of these miRNAs in neuronal tissues.

Finally, miR-252 and miR-980 were previously detected by qPCR in adult male and female heads 2–4 days after eclosion, while no miR-984 could be detected (Marrone *et al.* 2012). The present analysis provides evidence that all three miRNAs are expressed in the head and establishes the expression of both mir-252 and miR-984 as slightly more prominent in female heads compared to males. The functional significance of such biases is yet to be determined.

MiRNAs in the adult body, testis, and ovary

Almost all known miRNAs (155 miRNAs) are detected in the body, the most complex sample in our data set that covers all body parts of the adult fly with the exception of the head. We find primarily mir-1, mir-8, *bantam*, mir-276a, mir-277, mir-276, mir-2a, mir-996, and *let-7* in the fly body (Table 1). The adult fly presents striking biases for miRNAs in males and females (Figure 1E and Table S5). Mir-989 represents

the strongest female-biased miRNA in the body. Among a larger set of highly male-biased miRNAs, few are detected in females. Of the 22 most strongly male-biased miRNAs in the body (above fivefold), 17 miRNAs appear exclusively in males and the remaining miRNAs (mir-960, mir-961, mir-963, mir-983, and mir-984) yield at best a few tens of reads in females. Valuable insights into the origin of these discrepancies come from the following comparisons.

We compared the populations of miRNAs in testes and ovaries. We have seen so far that from single lymphoid cells to more complex and dimorphic heads and bodies, the most abundant miRNAs remain overall conserved between males and females with a few exceptions such as mir-8. This is strikingly not the case in testes and ovaries in which the most abundant miRNAs differ. In 2- to 4-day-old flies, about half of the miRNAs cloned from ovaries correspond to mir-989, *bantam*, mir-8, mir-2a, and mir-318 (Table 1). In testes, this set only partially overlaps with that of ovaries and includes mir-12, mir-8, mir-305, mir-959, mir-2a, *let-7*, and mir-34. Younger males exhibit the same set of abundant miRNAs in testes (D. Fagegaltier, data not shown) indicating that their high expression persists in testes at least over the early adult stages.

Each tissue in our data set presents a set of miRNAs underrepresented in the other tissues examined; although their relative abundance varies between male and female, these tissue-enriched miRNAs are usually overrepresented in both sexes (Figure 1).

Ovaries and testes are enriched for certain miRNAs, but very few are enriched in both tissues. Instead, two distinct sets of miRNAs emerge: a large cluster of testis-enriched miRNAs and a smaller set of ovary-enriched miRNAs (Figure 1A). The miRNA populations of these highly sexually dimorphic tissues are highly skewed and sexually dimorphic (Figure 1H). 47 miRNAs show higher levels of expression in testes compared to ovaries (above fivefold), whereas 29 are preferentially expressed in the ovary (Table S6). Fourteen strongly testis-biased miRNAs are not detected in ovaries and may carry important and specialized functions.

During maturation, oocytes express several classes of miRNAs whose levels vary upon fertilization and later during the initiation of zygotic transcription. Maternal deposition of miRNAs has been reported in *Drosophila* to serve a variety of functions, including the destabilization of a large number of maternal mRNAs in early embryos via the SMAUG protein (Giraldez *et al.* 2006; Bushati *et al.* 2008; Soni *et al.* 2013).

In whole ovaries from 2- to 4-day-old females, we identify all but one of the reported maternally deposited miRNAs previously described in oocytes, including miRNA populations denoted as unstable (class I, restricted to stage 14 oocytes), and stable (class II, including maternally deposited and zygotically expressed miRNAs). Specifically, we identified mir-318, mir-276a, mir-34, mir-317, mir-284, *let-7* (class I); mir-13b, mir-2a, mir-306, mir-184, mir-312, and mir-310 (class II). Zygote-specific miRNAs of class III were not detected, namely the miR-309 cluster zygotically expressed ~2- to 4-hr-post-fertilization (miR-309, miR-3, miR-286, miR-4,

miR-5, miR-6-1, miR-6-2, and miR-6-3). We note, however, that the expression of miR-3 and miR-5 for class III could start earlier than previously described: six to eight reads match miR-3 and miR-5. Supporting this view, low counts for miR-3 and miR-5 in 2- to 4-day-old female ovaries increase in *loqs* mutants in Czech *et al.* (2008). A low expression of these two miRNAs in the ovary therefore remains a possibility.

In summary, in addition to expressing highly divergent sets of miRNAs, both testes and ovaries express very different sets of miRNAs compared to other tissues (Figure 1A): their respective miRNA profiles appear as the most divergent of our data set.

To gain insight into the sexually dimorphic functions of miRNAs in somatic tissues, we compared the miRNA populations in testes and male body or ovaries and female body, respectively. We reasoned that a miRNA present in the male body sample (that includes testes) but not enriched in testes is likely to have at least a somatic function outside the testes. Thirty such miRNAs are enriched at least fivefold in the male body (Figure 1F and Table S7), suggesting that they carry distinct functions in the soma.

In a similar comparison between female body and ovaries, we identify 45 miRNAs enriched in female somatic tissues, 28 of which are almost exclusively detected in the female body (Figure 1G and Table S8).

Finally, the tallies of miRNAs enriched in ovaries and testes compared to the body samples establish that most of the differences in miRNA expression between male and female body come primarily from these highly dimorphic internal reproductive tissues.

Male- and female-biased somatic miRNAs

We next looked specifically for miRNAs presenting a consistent bias toward males or toward females in all somatic tissues studied. We considered miRNAs presenting at least a twofold enrichment in one sex in lymphoid cells, salivary glands, head, and/or body. Interestingly, not a single miRNA presented male biases in all four or even three tissues, suggesting that there is no ubiquitous male-biased somatic miRNA. However, a total of 23 miRNAs are male biased in two tissues, generally salivary glands and S2 cells, or head and body (Figure S2A). Of these 23 somatic male miRNAs, 10 are also enriched in testes (compared to the male body) and might therefore repress sex-specific targets in the male soma and gonads. The remaining 13 miRNAs are not enriched in testes and represent somatic male-biased miRNAs.

For females, 32 miRNAs are consistently female biased in the soma (more than twofold; Figure S2B). Interestingly, miR-318 is enriched in females in all four somatic tissues and several other miRNAs in three tissues. Eight of these female-biased miRNAs are also enriched in ovaries. The remaining 24 miRNAs represent somatic female-biased miRNAs.

Ovary and testis miRNAs

We next searched for miRNAs prevalent in ovaries, testes, or both to identify those with possible functions in gameto-

genesis or the organization of the adult gonads. Compared to same-sex somatic tissue, 32 miRNAs are enriched in the ovary and 51 in testis. Of these, 18 are enriched in both testis and ovary, likely underscoring important processes common to gonads of both sexes. Conversely, 8 miRNAs enriched in ovaries but not in testes and 30 miRNAs enriched in testes but not in ovaries could control sex-specific aspects of gonad development (Figure S2C).

The 30 testis-enriched miRNAs reflect a remarkable genomic homogeneity: 11 of these miRNAs are located on the X chromosome (Figure S2C). This fraction is much higher than expected ($P = 0.0018$, hypergeometric distribution) and significantly greater than the proportion of X-linked miRNAs found in other tissues (male soma, $P = 0.0747$; ovaries, $P = 0.2115$). This enrichment of miRNAs originating from the X chromosome is therefore a phenomenon specific to testes. The prevalence of X-linked miRNAs expression in testes has been reported in mouse and was explained by X-linked gene dosage (Ro *et al.* 2007; Mishima *et al.* 2008). It is tempting to speculate that such a mechanism may hold true in *Drosophila* testes as well. To date, the mechanisms regulating X-linked genes expression in testes such as meiotic sex-chromosome inactivation and dosage compensation remain unclear (Vibranovski *et al.* 2009; Deng *et al.* 2011; Meiklejohn *et al.* 2011; Vibranovski *et al.* 2012).

Are X-linked miRNAs transcriptionally regulated by dosage compensation?

We next asked whether the transcriptional regulation of X-linked miRNAs depends on dosage compensation in male somatic tissues. At the genomic level, miRNAs are evenly distributed across the *Drosophila* genome with no obvious pattern on the X chromosomes. The X chromosome represents ~20% of the *Drosophila* genome and bears an even share of miRNAs. The 149 genomic miRNA loci queried in this study are distributed evenly across all chromosomes with 34, 33, 22, 29, and 27 miRNAs on chromosomes 2L and 2R, 3L and 3R, and the X chromosome. Together, the fourth chromosome and heterochromatin of chromosome 3 (3h) account for 4 additional miRNAs. To date, no miRNA has been reported on the Y chromosome.

Two classes of miRNAs are present as typical genic miRNAs and mirtrons. A total of 37 mirtrons (24.8%) reside within introns in the genome. Compared to miRNAs regulated by their own promoter, mirtrons are slightly enriched on chromosome 2L (32.4% of chromosome 2L miRNAs) and underrepresented on chromosome 3L (13.6%); on the X chromosome, 22.2% are encoded as mirtrons.

To address whether dosage compensation controls miRNA expression directly on the X chromosome, we first examined whether X-linked miRNAs reside in regions bound by MSL-1 in ChIP-Chip experiments reported by Straub *et al.* (2008) in S2 cells and embryos. We note that X-linked miRNAs reside outside the primary “high affinity sites” defined in these studies and are therefore not primary strong binding sites for

compensosomes. MSL-1 levels were further divided into high, medium, low, or MSL-1 absent subtypes (Figure 2A). With the exception of two miRNA loci residing in regions not addressed in this study, 67% of X-linked miRNA loci reside in regions bound by compensosomes, indicating that some miRNAs could be dosage compensated.

For those X-linked miRNAs residing in regions bound by MSL1, dosage compensation could provide a direct means to equalize their expression in both sexes. To test this possibility, we assayed by quantitative PCR the levels of X-linked miRNAs expressed in salivary glands, a tissue in which dosage compensation has been extensively studied, and compared miRNA levels in wild-type animals and mutants for compensosomes function (*msl-3* and *mle*; Figure 2, B and C). In mutant males, X-linked *mir-304*, *mir-13b*, and *mir-12* levels are reduced approximately twofold, as expected for genes whose expression depends on compensosomes; autosomal controls *mir-100* (2L), *mir-981*, and *mir-1013* (3R) were unaffected. However, levels of two miRNAs *mir-979* and *mir-210* did not change significantly in mutants, implying that some X-linked miRNAs escape dosage compensation—these join the short list of X-linked protein coding genes (*Lsp1-α*, *dpr8*, *CG9650*) that similarly avoid compensation. Interestingly, *mir-12* and *mir-304* belong to the same cluster as *mir-283* but behave differently in mutants. The milder reduction of *mir-283* levels in mutant animals supports previous observations that *mir-12* and *mir-304* expression patterns show little correlation with that of *mir-283*. Although they share a common Pol II promoter, post-transcriptional processing could account for these differences (Ryazansky *et al.* 2011).

In summary, only a few X-linked miRNAs are influenced to some extent by dosage compensation. Two X-chromosome miRNAs clearly escape dosage compensation (*mir-979*, *mir-210*). One major difference between miRNA and protein-coding genes escaping dosage compensation is that the latter tend to reside outside MSL-bound domains. Overall, it is tempting to speculate that dosage compensation presents only limited advantages for short, rapidly regulated miRNA genes.

A role for the *let-7-C* locus in sexual dimorphism

We investigated the functional relevance of sex-biased expression of miRNAs using the example of *let-7*. Two miRNAs in the *let-7-C* cluster, *mir-125* and *let-7*, are highly expressed in the fly head, body, and testis and poorly in the ovary (Figure 4A). *Mir-100* levels are consistently lower in all tissues expressing *let-7* and *mir-125*. From worms to flies and humans, the *let-7-C* locus has an important role throughout development (Pasquinelli *et al.* 2000). In flies, *let-7-C* is under the control of ecdysone and mimics the hormone peaks required for each of the developmental transitions that turn an embryo into an adult (reviewed in Ambros 2011). We set out to investigate the functional implications of the male-biased expression of the *let-7-C* miRNAs in the gonads and more generally its function in adult males and females.

Sex-biased *let-7* miRNA expression in gonadal somatic cells sustains germline differentiation

We analyzed *let-7-C* expression pattern in the adult *Drosophila* gonads using *Gal4* under the control of the intrinsic *let-7-C* promoter. In the germarium, *let-7-C* is expressed in some of the somatic escort (ECs) and cap cells (CpCs; Figure 3, A, B, and D). The number of *let-7-C*-expressing cells and the activity of the *let-7-C* promoter *per se* fluctuate in CpCs and ECs in different germaria and within the same germarium (compare Figure 3, D and D'), demonstrating that the expression pattern of *let-7-C* is highly dynamic.

In testes, somatic cells, namely cyst stem cells (CySC's), and their lineage express *let-7-C* (Figure 3, E–E'). We find consistently higher levels of *let-7-C* per cell and higher numbers of *let-7-C*-positive cells per testicular apex compared to positive cells in the germarium (compare Figure 3, D–D' and E, green).

We confirmed by RT-qPCR the male-biased expression of *let-7* in the gonads. *Let-7* levels are about eight times higher in testes compared to those in ovaries (Figure 3C). In addition, *let-7* is enriched in the gonads of both sexes compared to carcasses. Together, these findings support the biased expression of *let-7-C* and *let-7* reported here by miRNA profiling. Further, they establish a stronger transcriptional activity of the *let-7-C* promoter in the testicular soma compared to the activity in the ovarian soma.

In addition, *let-7* has been detected in the hub cells of old male testes, demonstrating its responsiveness to aging in males (Toledano *et al.* 2012). The dynamic expression of *let-7* and its responsiveness to external and internal conditions (temperature—see below, aging) in both sexes prompted us to ask whether *let-7* regulates gonadal somatic cell behavior.

We analyzed the tissue architecture of the germaria and testes upon *let-7* depletion. In the ovary, Δ *let-7* clones induced specifically in somatic ECs result in a peculiar germarium architecture where both the germline and soma are abnormal (Figure 3G). Mutant germaria contain supernumerary single spectrosome germline cells (arrows) and oddly shaped somatic ECs expressing higher amounts of cell adhesion molecules (Figure 3G). *Let-7* deficiency results in excessive single spectrosome germline cells (GSCs, CBs) and reduced numbers of differentiating cysts (compare Figure 3, F and G), reflective of a delayed early germline differentiation. Altered ECs lacking *let-7* likely fail to protect the differentiating germline cysts from the niche signaling. The phenotypes observed imply that *let-7* controls somatic ECs behavior, which in turn non-cell-autonomously modulates the efficiency of early ovarian germline differentiation.

In the testes too, *let-7* deficiency affects somatic cell behavior. Normally, two squamous cells encapsulate one gonoblast, such that only small clusters of somatic cells (fewer than five cells) marked by a nuclear marker can be detected (Figure 3, H and I). Instead, CySC lineage cells lacking *let-7* form large aggregates of >10 cells (Figure 3, I, J, and J'). Interestingly, these clustered cells accumulate the cell adhesion molecule FasIII, indicative of a columnar epithelium that resembles the

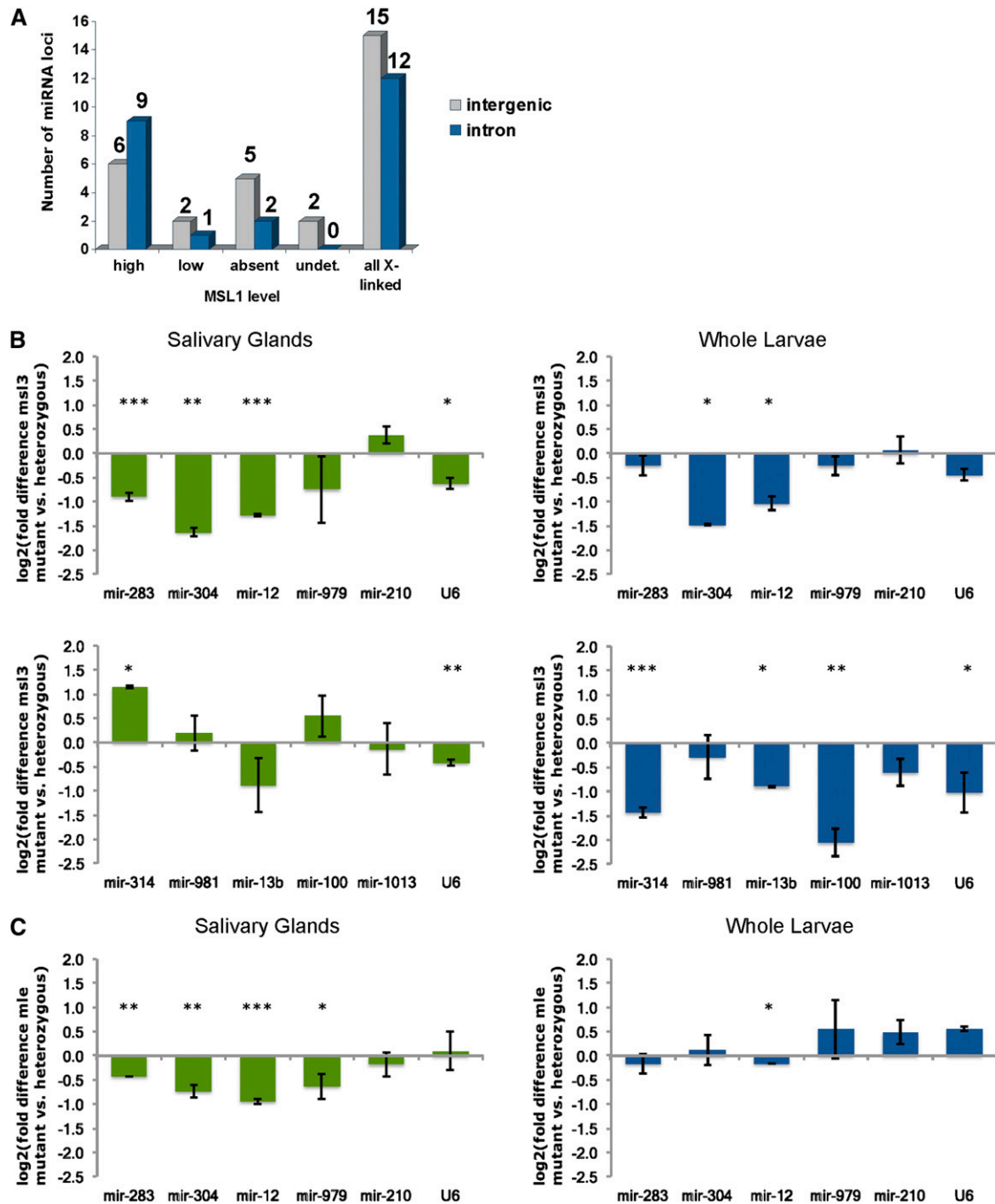


Figure 2 Effects of dosage compensation on X-linked miRNAs expression. (A) Compensosome association at the 27 X-linked miRNA loci vary, with 15 miRNAs located in regions highly populated by compensasomes (high), three miRNAs with low MSL coverage and seven miRNAs residing in regions deprived of compensasomes. Two miRNAs loci in regions not covered by the arrays (undet.) could not be assessed. We observe no difference in MSL occupancy for miRNAs residing in intronic or intergenic regions. The level of expression of miRNAs in the absence of a functional dosage-compensation complex was examined in male salivary glands (green charts) and whole larvae (blue charts) mutant for *msl3* (B) or *mle* (C). Of the six X-linked miRNAs expressed in these tissues, mir-304, mir-12, and mir-13b show the expected twofold decrease in all mutant samples compared to controls. MiRNA levels remain unchanged, however, for X-linked mir-979, mir-210, or mir-283. Autosomal mir-981, mir-100, or mir-1013 levels did not change. Mir-314 levels increase in *msl3* mutant salivary glands and decrease in whole larvae. All miRNAs were tested in triplicates on two independent biological replicates. Values were normalized to the autosomal gene standard, *Dspt4*, whose levels remain unchanged between males, females, or compensosome mutants (Chiang and Kurnit 2003). We observe similar trends between male and female salivary glands miRNAs in wild-type Oregon-R and *msl3* heterozygous mutant controls for all 10 miRNAs tested (mir-100, mir-979, mir-12, mir-314, mir-981, mir-210, mir-1013, mir-283, mir-13b, mir-304). Error bars represent standard deviations. *P*-values: (*) *P* < 0.05; (**) *P* < 0.005; (***) *P* < 0.0005. Calculations are provided in Table S11, Table S12, Table S13, Table S14, Table S15, and Table S16.

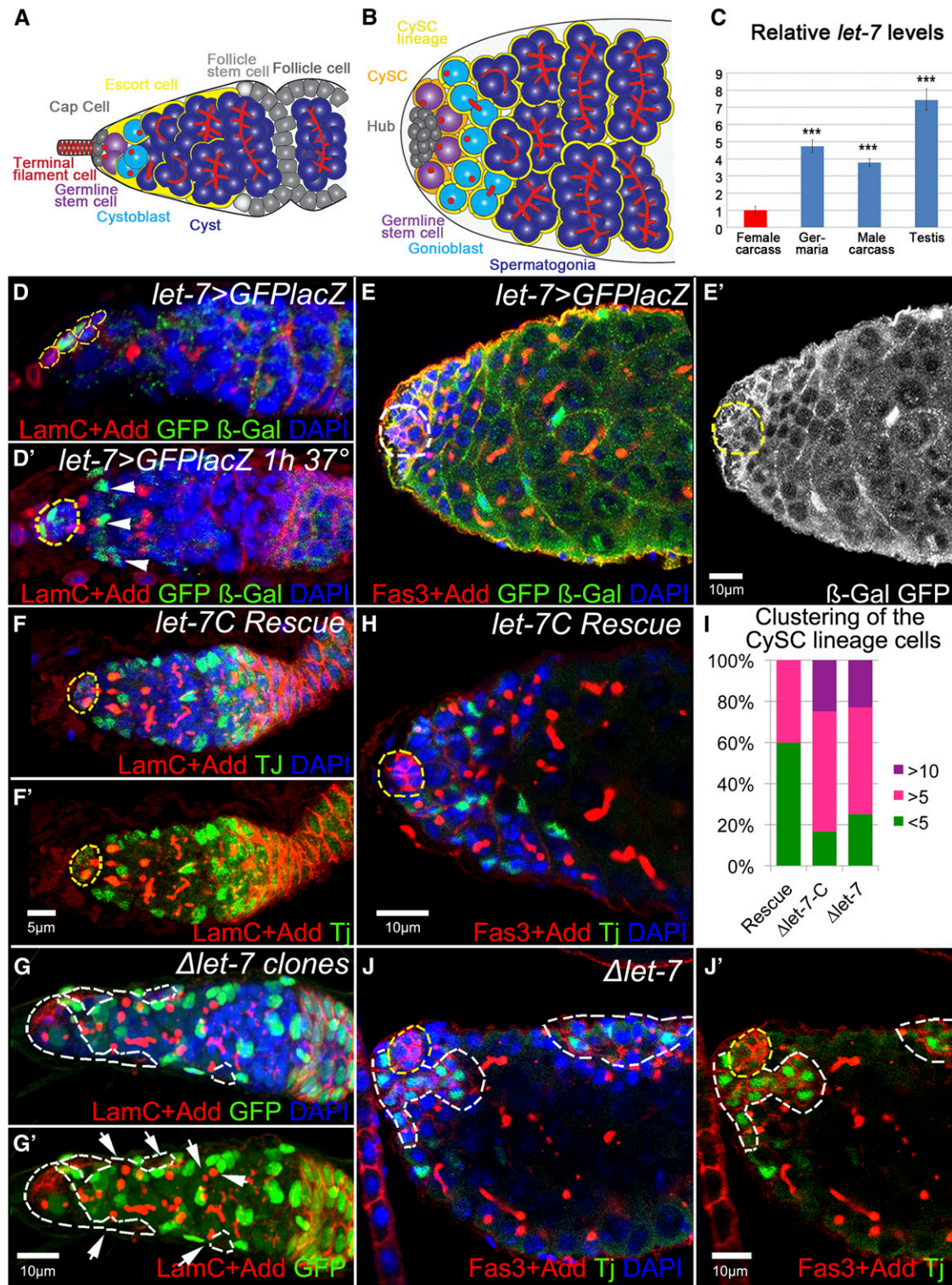


Figure 3 *let-7* deficiency affects somatic cells behavior in ovaries and testes, which cell-non-autonomously influences early germline differentiation. *Drosophila* ovaries and testes present commonalities in their general organization and the type of cells they comprise (Fuller and Spradling 2007). The ovary is a paired organ consisting of 16–20 ovarioles, each representing a string of progressively developing egg chambers. (A) At the apex of an ovariole, the germarium comprises somatic cells (terminal filament, TF; cap cells, CpC's; escort cells, ECs; follicle stem cells, FSCs; follicle cells, FCs) and germline cells (germline stem cells, GSCs; cystoblast, CB; differentiating cyst, Cyst). GSCs are physically attached to the somatic cluster of cap cells that, with the terminal filament cells, represent the GSC niche. GSCs divide into a differentiating cystoblast, which then divides four times with incomplete cytokinesis, producing a 16-cell cyst in which 1 cell becomes the oocyte while the others develop as nurse cells. These different germline cell populations can be easily identified by their location and specific markers in the germarium. For example, *Drosophila* adducin homolog antibody marks an actin-rich cellular organelle represented as a dot-like structure in single

ovarian follicular epithelium. Such aggregates do not develop in *let-7-C* rescue flies (Figure 3, H and I).

Let-7 levels are important to specify male and female sexual identity

Let-7 levels fluctuate at each developmental transition of the fly, including a major pulse in late pupae. During development, *let-7* miRNA first appears in L3 larvae and has been detected in genital discs of L3 male and female larvae (Sokol *et al.* 2008). *Dsx* levels vary as well during development and are especially important from the L3 larval to the late pupal stages to transform genital discs into adult genital and anal structures. To ask whether *let-7* influences the transformation of these structures, we expressed *UAS-let-7-C* in patterns that mimic pulses of the major controller of the sex-determination hierarchy DSX using the *dsx-Gal4* driver. Animals overexpressing *let-7-C* in *dsx*-expressing cells develop severe phenotypes: males and females fail to develop segments A8–A10 and lack a terminalia (analia and genitalia) (Figure 4B). Overexpressing individual miRNAs from the cluster alters the same segments (Figure 4, B and C): females overexpressing *mir-125* form additional vaginal teeth, up to a full second row of teeth, and a vulva overgrowth. Additional vaginal teeth appear toward the posterior part of the vulva in females overexpressing *let-7*. Males overexpressing *let-7* show an overgrowth of the genital ring/arch. In males overexpressing *mir-125*, this structure proliferates yet collapses into a more compact bulged ring (Figure 4, B and C). In addition, overexpressing *let-7* or *mir-125* in *dsx*-expressing cells results in the overall reduction of the male external genital structures. Importantly, the external terminalia of males and females lacking *let-7* present similar defects (Figure 4C).

Finally, in animals overexpressing *mir-125*, the typical female abdominal pigmentation darkens in the posterior stripes of segments A3–A5 and in the terminal A6 and A7 segments where it widens (Figure 4B). Females overexpressing the whole *let-7-C* cluster show a similar increase in pigment, but not those overexpressing *let-7* alone, pointing at *mir-125* as the miRNA responsible for the pigment defects. Controls expressing *UAS-NLS-GFP* or *UAS-mir-100* constructs do not present such phenotypes. Together, these results suggest that the ectopic expression of *let-7-C*, *let-7*, or *mir-125* in *dsx*-expressing cells represses gene(s) necessary for pigmentation in most abdominal segments and importantly, gene(s) critical for the formation of the highly dimorphic segments A8–A10 in both sexes. The transformation of the genital disc into a male or female adult terminalia and the sexually dimorphic pigmentation pathway are both orchestrated by DSX during the pupal stages. It is likely that the respective timing and levels of expression of *let-7-C* miRNAs and *dsx* at this stage are important. None of the miRNAs in the *let-7-C* cluster, however, are predicted to target the *dsx* transcripts, suggesting that the phenotypes reflecting alterations of the levels of DSX or of the genes it acts with are generated upstream or in parallel to DSX action rather than from a direct interaction.

To test whether sex determination is affected by *let-7*, we quantified in animals lacking *let-7* the male- (*dsx^M*) and female-specific transcripts (*Sxl*, *tra*) of the sex-determination hierarchy and DSX downstream target *Yp1* (Figure 5, A and B). In *let-7* mutant females, the levels of *Sxl* and *tra* remain unchanged but *Yp1* mRNA levels are significantly lower. The background levels of *dsx^M* remain stable in females lacking *let-7*, implying that the levels of the direct activator of *Yp1*,

cells (GSCs and CBs) and as a branched fusome in the developing cysts. There is another class of somatic cells at the anterior of the germarium, called the escort cells. These squamous cells are mitotically quiescent and envelop differentiating cysts to protect them from niche signaling, an important role for germline differentiation (Chen *et al.* 2011). ECs guide differentiating cysts to the posterior end of the germarium, where the germline becomes encapsulated by the follicular epithelium and pinched off from the germarium. (B) The *Drosophila* testes are a paired tubular organ that consists of somatic and germline cells. Scheme depicting the testis apex somatic cells (hub cells, Hub; cyst stem cells, CySC's; cyst stem cells lineage, CySC lineage) and germline cells (germline stem cells, GSCs; gonioblast, GB; differentiating spermatocysts and spermatogonia). Attached to the stem cell niche, termed the hub, reside two types of stem cells: GSCs and CySC's. While the hub is made by a cluster of postmitotic somatic cells, both stem cell types divide in synchrony to produce differentiating germline cysts, each of which is encapsulated by two somatic CySC's lineage cells. This encapsulation is critical for proper germline differentiation (Leatherman and Dinardo 2010). Similar to the ovarian GSC progeny, the germline gonioblast undergoes four rounds of incomplete cytokinesis to produce 16 primary spermatocytes in a cyst, eventually generating 64 sperm cells. (C) The relative expression levels of miRNA *let-7* in female and male carcasses, ovaries, and testes show that *let-7* miRNA is sex biased and expressed at the higher levels in testes (see also Table S17). (D, D', E, E') Localization of *let-7-C* miRNAs in the ovaries and testes, detected via membrane *GFP* and nuclear *lacZ* expressed under the control of the *let-7-C* promoter (*let-7-C^{GK1}-Gal4/UAS-CD8-GFP::nuc-lacZ*). In the ovary, *let-7-C* is expressed in the somatic cells of the germarium, CpCs and ECs (D). (D') More ECs express *let-7-C*, shown by the presence of *lacZ* (β -Gal, green) when adult flies were subject to a heat shock for 1 hr prior to dissection. (E and E') In the testis, *let-7-C* is broadly expressed in all somatic cells, CySC's and their lineage and the hub cells (*let-7-C^{GK1}-Gal4/UAS-CD8-GFP::nuc-lacZ*). (F and F') Control *let-7-C* rescue germaria (*P{W8, let-7-C}/+*; *let-7-C^{GK1/KO1}*) show typical numbers of germline SSCs and developing cysts (marked by the spectrosome and fusome marker Adducin, Add, red) as well as somatic ECs (marked by Traffic jam, Tj, green). The GSC niche (marked by Lamin C, LamC, red) is outlined by yellow dashed lines. (G and G') Somatic cell Δ *let-7* clones (*Ubi-GFP, FRT40A/FRT40A, let-7 mir-125; bab1-Gal4, UAS-Flp/P{W8, let-7-C^{\Delta}let-7}*) are marked by the absence of GFP and outlined by white dashed lines. Upon *let-7* depletion in the soma of the germarium, the number of somatic ECs and germline SSCs increases, while the number of fusome-containing cysts decreases. The magnification is the same in F and G. (H) The testicular apex of a control *let-7-C* rescue (*P{W8, let-7-C}; let-7-C^{GK1/KO1}*) displays typical numbers of germline CBs and cysts (marked by spectrosome and fusome marker Add, red) and the CySC lineage cells (marked by Tj, green); yellow dashed lines outline the hub (marked by Fasciclin III, Fas3, red). (I) In Δ *let-7* mutant testis (*let-7-C^{GK1/KO1}; P{W8, let-7-C^{\Delta}let-7}/+*) the CySC lineage cells cluster in larger groups and express the ovarian follicular epithelium marker, Fas3. These clusters (outlined by white dashed lines) can be found at the apex or the side of the testicular tube. (I) Percentages of mutant testes containing large ≥ 5 or > 10 somatic cell clusters in comparison to control *let-7-C* Rescue. Ten to 20 testes were analyzed for each genotype. Red: LamC + Add in D, D', F, F', G, G'; Fas3 + Add in E, H, J, J'. Green: GFP + β -Gal in D and E; GFP in G, G'; Tj in F, F', H, J, J'. White: GFP + β -Gal in E'. Blue: DAPI in D–H, G–J'. D, E + E', H, J + J' are single confocal sections while D', F + F', and G + G' are projections of several z-stacks.

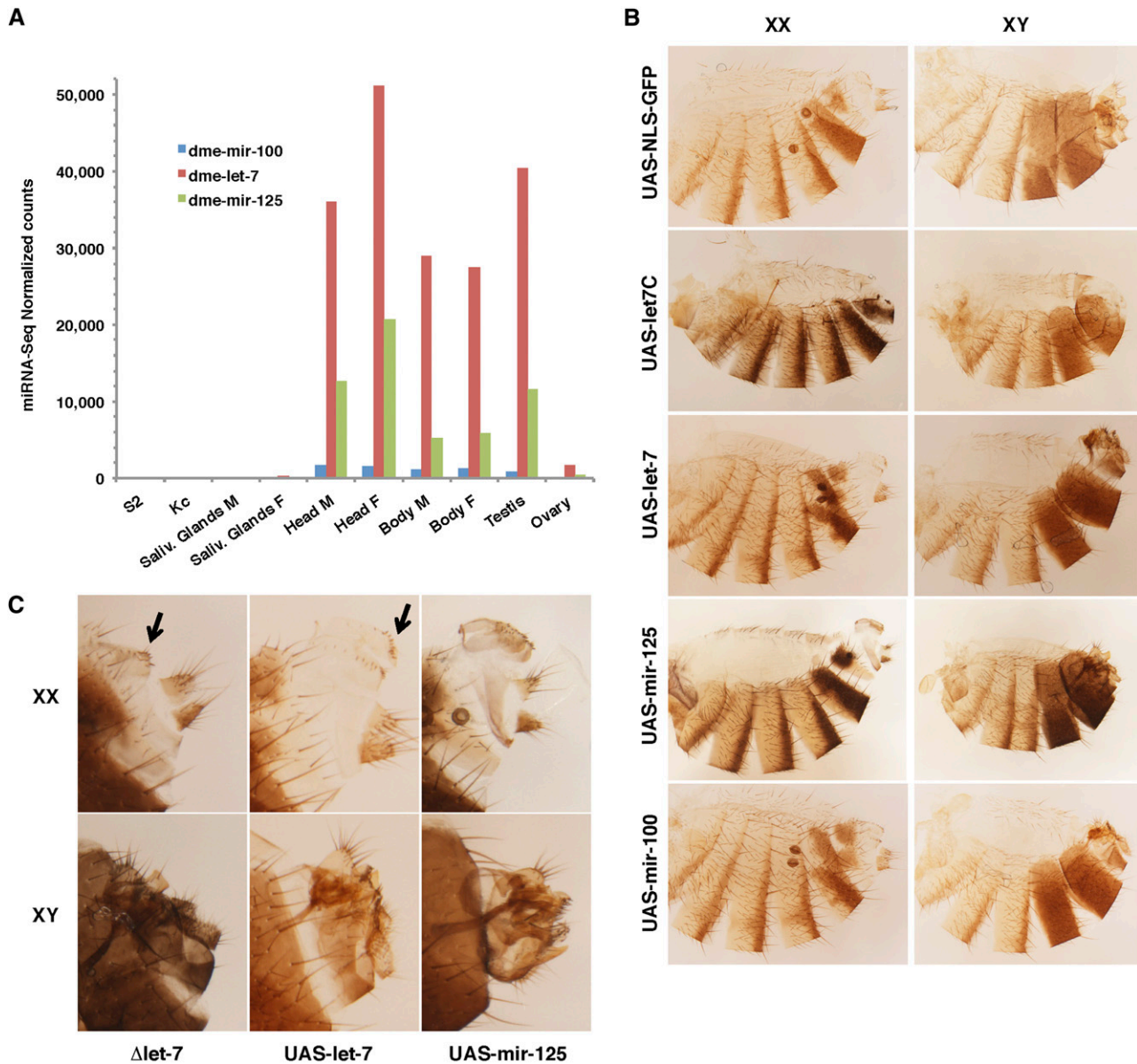


Figure 4 Let-7-C miRNAs abundance across tissues and overexpression. (A) The three miRNAs of the let-7-C locus are almost undetectable in salivary glands and lymphoid cells and highly expressed in male and female heads and body. All let-7-C miRNAs are highly expressed in testes compared to ovaries. Let-7 is consistently more abundant than mir-125 in all tissues expressing let-7-C, while mir-100 remain comparably low. (B) Cuticle preparations of *dsx-Gal4 > UAS-let-7-C* males (XY) and females (XX): both fail to transform A8–A10 segments into a proper genitalia and analia. Increased abdominal pigmentation in let-7-C and mir-125 overexpressing flies (compare *UAS-let-7-C* or *UAS-mir-125* to *UAS-NLS-GFP*). (B and C) Terminalia phenotypes of flies overexpressing single miRNAs of the locus: additional vaginal teeth toward the posterior section of the vulva in *dsx-Gal4 > UAS-let-7* females, similar to $\Delta let7$ flies (arrows in closeups in C); additional row of vaginal teeth and overgrowth of the anterior vulva in *dsx-Gal4 > UAS-mir-125* females; overgrowth of the genital ring/arch *dsx-Gal4 > UAS-let-7* male genitalia; *dsx-Gal4 > UAS-mir-125* male genital ring collapses into a more compact bulged ring (lateral view in C). Note the reduced size of male external genital and anal structures in *UAS-let-7*, *UAS-mir-125*, and $\Delta let7$ males. *Dsx-Gal4 > UAS-NLS-GFP*, and *dsx-Gal4 > UAS-mir-100* males and females appear normal.

DSX^F, but not its repressor DSX^M, are compromised. A general depletion of *let-7* during development generates more dramatic effects in males. Specifically, males deficient for *let-7* present a spurious expression of two genes normally restricted to females, *Sxl* and *Yp1*. Altogether these results point at a role of *let-7* in modulating the sex-determination cascade during development, at least during the late-larval to late-pupal stages.

Ecdysone signaling via let-7 maintains sexual identity during adulthood

We attempted to determine what signaling pathway acts upstream of *let-7* in the process of sexual identity establishment but also its maintenance. Hormonal signaling is a strong candidate for this type of regulation, since it may coordinate the sex-specific differentiation of different tissues in the whole organism. The ecdysteroid signaling cascade governs various

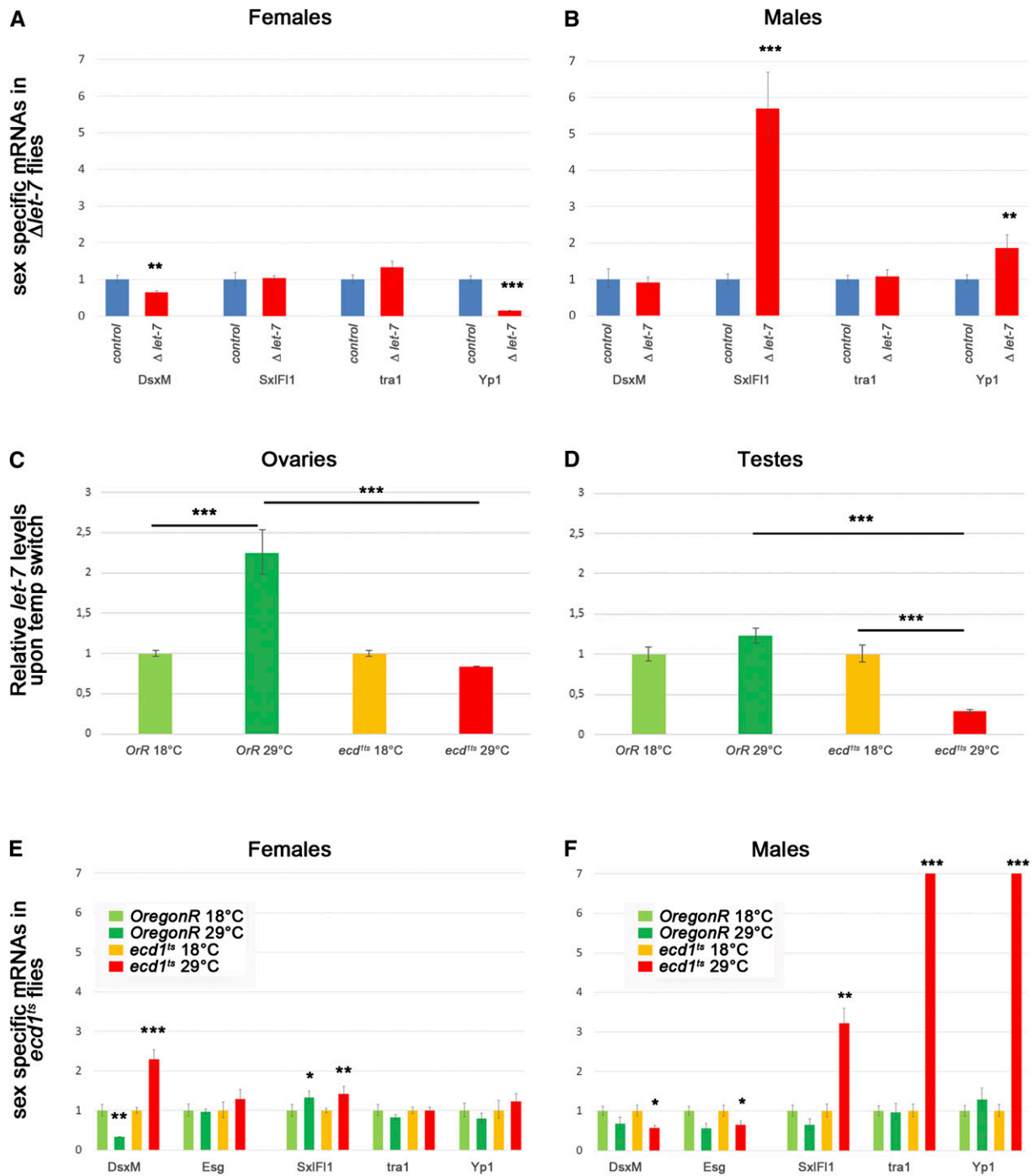


Figure 5 Levels of sex-specific mRNAs are altered due to loss of function of steroid-dependent miRNA *let-7* and ecdysone deficiency. (A and B) Relative levels of sex-specific mRNAs in $\Delta let-7$ mutant (*let-7-C^{GK1/KO1}; P[W8, let-7-C^{\Delta let-7}]/+*) and control rescue (*P[W8, let-7-C]/+*; *let-7-C^{GK1/KO1}*) females (A) and males (B). (C and D) Relative levels of *let-7* miRNA expression in wild-type (Oregon-R) and *ecd^{1ts}* mutants kept at permissive (18°) and restrictive (29°) temperatures measured in the anterior parts of ovaries (C) and testes (D). (E and F) Relative levels of sex-specific mRNAs in wild-type (Oregon-R) and *ecd^{1ts}* females (E) and males (F) kept at permissive (18°) and restrictive (29°) temperatures. Samples at restrictive temperature were compared to the respective genotype and sex at permissive temperature. Error bars represent the range of mRNA levels; *P*-values are calculated by Student *t*-test: (*) *P* < 0.05, (**) *P* < 0.005, (***) *P* < 0.0005. See also Table S18, Table S19, and Table S20.

biological responses during *Drosophila* lifetime. Its specificity depends on the differential spatiotemporal expression of downstream components specific to various cell types and developmental stages. Steroid-coupled regulation of *let-7* expression

takes place during the developmental transition from larval-to-reproductive animals (Sempere *et al.* 2002, 2003; Garbuzov and Tatar 2010; Chawla and Sokol 2012; Kucherenko *et al.* 2012). During this period, DSX most actively controls the

transformation of the A8–A10 genital primordia into dimorphic male and female terminal structures. In addition, we and others have reported that a deficit in ecdysone signaling generates non-cell-autonomous defects in early female germline differentiation (König *et al.* 2011; Morris and Spradling 2012). These defects resemble the *let-7* loss-of-function defects described here in ovaries. Moreover, we report similar germline differentiation defects in *let-7* mutant testes. Together, the steroid-dependent onset of *let-7* expression during development and the similarity of the germline phenotypes observed in adult males and females lacking *let-7* converge toward a model in which ecdysone signaling acts upstream of the *let-7* miRNA to modulate (i) sex determination in tissues and (ii) germ-cell differentiation via the gonadal soma.

Whether *let-7* also depends on ecdysone signaling in adults has not been addressed previously. To address this, we took advantage of a temperature-sensitive *ecdysoneless* mutation, *ecd^{1ts}*, that blocks the production of ecdysone at restrictive temperature (29°) (Garen *et al.* 1977). After impairing ecdysone signaling specifically in adults, we analyzed *let-7* levels in germaria and testes of Oregon-R and *ecd^{1ts}* flies. Shifting Oregon-R male and female adults to 29° results in increased *let-7* levels, showing that *let-7* expression is dependent on temperature (Figure 5, C and D). Enhanced activity of the *let-7*-C promoter is also visible at the cellular level in the ovarian CpC's and ECs upon heat shock (Figure 3D'). Contrary to wild-type flies, *let-7* levels drop at the restrictive temperature in *ecd^{1ts}* mutant female and more significantly in male gonads, demonstrating that *let-7* expression depends on ecdysone signaling in the adult germaria and testes (Figure 5, C and D).

While the signaling cascade that establishes sexual identity has been studied extensively, the question of whether certain cues are needed to actively maintain sexual identity throughout the adult life has not been addressed. We quantified the expression of female- and male-specific components of the sex-determination hierarchy 3 days after inducing an ecdysone deficit in mature adults. Females lacking ecdysone begin to express the male-specific isoform of *dsx*, *dsx^M* (Figure 5E). In males lacking ecdysone, conversely, male-specific mRNA levels of *dsx^M* and *escargot* (*esg*) fall significantly while the female *Sxl*, *tra*, and *Yp1* transcripts undergo a dramatic burst in expression (Figure 5F). Because *Sxl* and *tra* become aberrantly produced in males, and both are required to produce the female-specific isoform of *dsx*, it is likely that *Yp1* hyperactivation in males is a consequence of the production of DSX^F when ecdysone signaling is disrupted.

Together, our data support the hypothesis that ecdysone is required to maintain the sexual fate of adult cells. Interestingly, ecdysone effect on sex-specific mRNAs expression is significantly stronger than that of *let-7* alone (compare Figure 5, A, B, E, and F), indicating that this systemic hormonal signaling regulates in addition to *let-7* other key players in the maintenance of sexual identity during adulthood. Critically, these data suggest that ecdysone signaling plays an essential role in the maintenance of sexual identity in the adult *Drosophila*, primarily in males,

and that this function is mediated at least in part by *let-7* miRNA.

Ecdysone signaling via *let-7* maintains male cell fate of the testicular soma during adulthood

Ecdysone-deficient (*ecd^{1ts}*) males have reduced fertility and most become completely sterile after 3 days at restrictive temperature (Garen *et al.* 1977). At the tissue level, ecdysone signaling appears important to maintaining the proper behavior and function of the somatic CySC's lineage in the adult testis (Figure 6, A–C). In adult males subject to ecdysone deficiency, the CySC's lineage overproliferates, expresses epithelial markers, and non-cell-autonomously affects germline differentiation. Massive clusters of somatic cells appear at the testis apex, forming occasionally epithelial-like sheaths surrounding the testicular tube (Figure 6, B and C). The appearance of aggregates coincides with defects in germline differentiation at two levels. First, somatic cells clustering at the apex displace germline stem cells from the hub, forcing their premature differentiation (Figure 6B'). Second, somatic cells accumulating in lateral sheaths further disrupt their progression through germline differentiation programs (Figure 6C'). Flies deprived of ecdysone for a longer period show more severe phenotypes (Figure 6, D and E). Still, these alterations remain partial sex transformations. We never observed a full transformation resulting in the production of sperm or egg in mutants of the opposite sex. These findings suggest that sustained steroid activity is required to maintain *let-7* levels within testicular somatic cells.

Taken together, our analyses show that steroid signaling is involved in the maintenance of sexual identity in adult flies and in the maintenance of germline differentiation programs in the gonads. This hormonal signal engages miRNAs to execute this regulation in a gender-specific manner. Therefore the maintenance of sexual identity in the adult life requires a systemic signaling that strongly depends on the general state of the organism and external conditions. This type of regulation is common in higher vertebrates including humans, implying that the analysis of sex-biased miRNAs and their targets will be of great importance to better understanding of sexual identity safeguarding throughout life at the cellular level in different organisms.

Evidence supporting the existence of a long-range gonadal axis in flies has emerged recently. Ecdysone is metabolized in the fat body in both sexes and is also present exclusively in the female germline late follicles. As a result, ecdysone titers are higher in females (Bownes *et al.* 1983; Parisi *et al.* 2010). Germline ablation largely decreases ecdysone titers and affects sex-biased somatic genes, including ecdysone biosynthesis genes exclusively in females (Parisi *et al.* 2004, 2010). In fact, half of the sex-biased genes in the female soma are estimated to be germline-dependent genes that respond to ecdysone, the other half comprising germline-independent sex-biased genes regulated by the sex-determination hierarchy. The absence of germline, however, does not affect somatic expression of the canonical

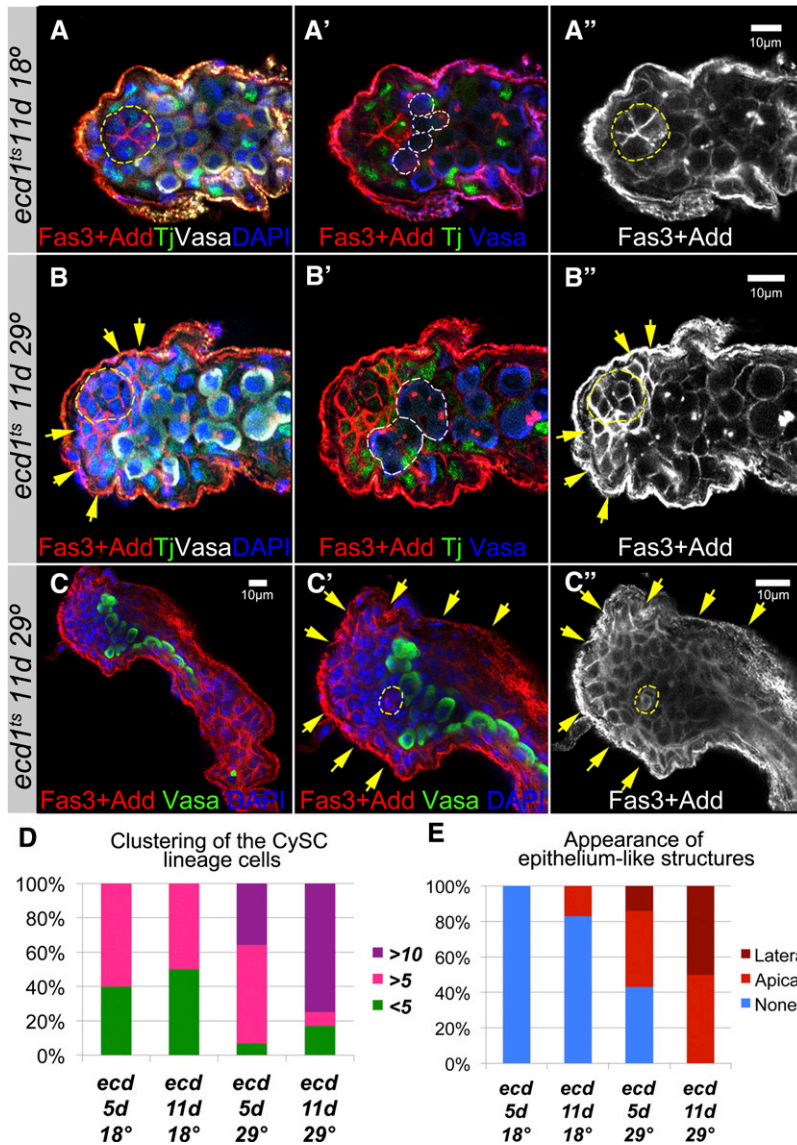


Figure 6 Ecdysone signaling controls testicular soma behavior and function. (A) In control (*ecd^{1ts}*, 11 days at 18°), the hub (outlined in yellow, A, A'') is surrounded by proportional numbers of CySC's and GSCs (outlined in white, A'). (B and C) In mutants (*ecd^{1ts}*, 11 days at 29°), somatic cells aggregate in large epithelium-like clusters next to the hub (yellow arrows, B, B''). In contrast, GSCs that would be seen as germline cells with a single spectrosome are no longer attached to the hub, indicating that they were pushed away from the niche and their differentiation was induced. Differentiating cysts are outlined in white, B'. Sometimes these abnormal epithelial-like sheets are found around the whole testicular tube (yellow arrows, C', C''), affecting germline differentiation: differentiating cysts that would be marked by branched fusomes are not seen. Note that the aberrant somatic cells express the Fas3 marker of hub cells and ovarian follicular epithelium. (D and E) The frequency of testes displaying clustering of the CySC lineage cells (D) and the appearance of epithelium sheets (E) increase with the time flies were deprived of ecdysone (5 or 11 days). See also Table S21. Red: Fas3 + Add in A, A', B, B', C, C'. White: Vasa in A, B; Fas3 + Add in A'', B'', C''. Green: Tj in A, A', B, B'; Vasa in C, C'. Blue: DAPI in A, B, C; Vasa in A', B', C'. All pictures are single confocal sections.

sex-determination genes in either sex. Our study shows that sex-determination gene expression depends largely on ecdysone-mediated *let-7* signaling in the soma, primarily in males. The pronounced effects on *dsx* and *Sxl* in males suggest that ecdysone and *let-7* constitute the system that supports the expression of somatic sex-biased genes in males.

The effects of *let-7* depletion on *Yp1* and, importantly, the influence of ecdysone signaling on the sex-determination hierarchy in males raise the possibility that, although more weakly, all sex-biased genes eventually depend on hormones in females as well. If true, their sex-biased expression would result from two pathways regulated by ecdysone: a germline-dependent influence of ecdysone known as the gonadal sex hormone axis and a second pathway regulated by the sex-determination hierarchy that is germline independent but, as shown here, influenced mildly by hormones and *let-7*. Supporting this view, females require ecdysone receptor (*EcR*) expression in FRU expressing neurons to

modulate precopulatory behavior just like males (see below), and ecdysone deficient females present male behaviors (Dalton *et al.* 2009; Ganter *et al.* 2012).

Intrinsic sex-specific factors and the proper sexual identity of the fat body are important for courtship behavior orchestrated by DSX and FRU in the brain, suggesting a fine interplay between signaling from the fat body and the sex-specific regulation of the nervous system (Lazareva *et al.* 2007; Camara *et al.* 2008). In particular, the *EcR-A* isoform that may interact with *let-7* signaling is required in the FRU^M neural circuit for male courtship behavior (Sanders and Arbeitman 2008; Dalton *et al.* 2009).

FRU^M and DSX establish neural circuits differentially in each sex at mid-metamorphosis, a time at which they show strongest expression. *Let-7* pulses could affect the FRU and DSX branches of the sex-determination hierarchy in the neural circuitry during this period. *Let-7* may well contribute to a feedback loop in the nervous system since FRU targets include a preponderance of genes regulated by the steroid

hormone ecdysone (Dalton *et al.* 2009, 2013; Neville *et al.* 2014). However, the reported FRU^M and DSX binding sites in Luo *et al.* (2011) do not include the *let-7-C* locus, suggesting an indirect interaction.

In addition to ecdysone titers, *let-7* levels and its mode of action are particularly important to understanding the impact of hormones in each sex and how they may regulate sex determination. *Let-7* expression is dependent on ecdysteroids in both male and female adult gonads; however, ecdysone signaling facilitates cell gender maintenance in the organism via *let-7* primarily in males, suggesting that *let-7* response to ecdysone signaling and/or its effectors differ between the sexes. During metamorphosis, *let-7* is induced by ecdysone signaling to control the timing of neuronal differentiation by way of BTB transcription factors. Two of them, *Abrupt* and *Chinmo*, act as negative regulators of ecdysone signaling, therefore creating a feedback loop (Zhu *et al.* 2006; Wu *et al.* 2012). By targetting repressors, *let-7* finely modulates and reinforces steroid hormone signaling pulses in the brain. Interestingly, *Abrupt* modulates ecdysone signaling in the ovary as well (Jang *et al.* 2009). Increasing ecdysone titers established during oocyte development coincide with the gradual decrease of *Abrupt* concentration in the ovary. When ecdysone signaling is very high, *Abrupt* fails to bind the EcR coactivator *Taiman*, resulting in ecdysone signaling block. Whether *let-7* controls *Abrupt* in the gonads and contributes to reinforcing ecdysone signaling via a feedback loop has not been studied. Nonetheless, naturally low levels of *let-7* in the ovary where ecdysone levels are plenty, contrary to testes, allows *let-7* to generate in the germarium soma a sharper threshold response to the systemic signaling only when ecdysone titers are high (A. König and H. Shcherbata, unpublished results). In turn, because ecdysone and *let-7*-deficient phenotypes are just as strong in male and female gonads, higher levels of *let-7* seem required to respond to lower ecdysone titers in males.

The two *bona fide* targets of *let-7* in the brain present intriguing parallels in the gonads. Under the control of ecdysone, *Chinmo* and *Abrupt* control the differentiation of the gonadal soma specifically in one sex: *Abrupt* acts in the germarium and *Chinmo* in testis (Jang *et al.* 2009; Flaherty *et al.* 2010). Both are effectors of the JAK/STAT pathway, known to act differently in male and female gonads (Decotto and Spradling 2005). As exemplified by the JAK/STAT pathway in the gonads, sex-specific transcription factors controlled by differential levels of *let-7* may respond differently to ecdysone signaling and lead to sex-specific functions. This may hold true in the brain where *Chinmo* is a direct target of Fru^M in males (Neville *et al.* 2014).

Another important aspect of our findings is the temporal character of ecdysone-*let-7* involvement in the gonadal soma. It has been shown previously that there are differential requirements for the miRNA pathway in preadult and adult stages for the maintenance of germline stem cells (Shcherbata *et al.* 2007). In addition, augmentation of JAK/STAT signaling via *let-7* miRNA in the testicular stem cell niche is essential for

male germline stem cell preservation in aging flies (Toledano *et al.* 2012).

The temporal ecdysteroid-*let-7* signaling cascade also cooperates with the JAK/STAT cytokine pathway in neuronal cell fate determination (Kucherenko and Shcherbata 2013). One possibility is that the ecdysteroid-*let-7* effect on somatic gender identity also has a temporal character and incorporates JAK/STAT cytokine signaling to control sex determination in the somatic cells.

Interestingly, one of the JAK/STAT pathway ligands, Unpaired (*Upd*), is an X-linked signal element gene that affects *Sxl* expression (Sefton *et al.* 2000). *Upd* is a genuine target of miR-279 that regulates circadian rhythms (Luo and Sehgal 2012). Knockdown of *Upd* rescues the behavioral phenotype of miR-279 mutants. Further studies of the ecdysone-miRNA-JAK/STAT signaling cascade will determine upstream and downstream components sustaining cellular sexual identity during the postembryonic stages, adulthood, and aging.

Finally, the significant upregulation of *Sxl* in both wild-type and *ecd^{1ts}* females upon temperature shift (Figure 5E) indicates that *Sxl* expression is temperature dependent in flies and also modulated by ecdysteroid hormones. This provides a direct role for hormones in regulating sex determination in females. Clearly our understanding of this unprecedented complexity of sex determination requires both temporal and cell-specific examinations of the interplay between miRNAs, steroid hormones, and sex determination.

These results comprehensively demonstrate an important role for miRNAs as regulators of sexual dimorphism and identify several sets of candidate miRNAs to achieve differential functions in each sex. The function of *let-7* provides a proof of concept of the importance of sex-biased miRNA expression in the developing and aging adult gonad and reproductive apparatus. In mammals, sex hormones produced in the gonads coordinate gene expression in distant tissues and organs. The existence of a similar hormonal axis in *Drosophila* has remained elusive. We show here for the first time that ecdysone signaling controls sex-determination genes in flies, via the miRNA *let-7*. Misregulation of *let-7* in mammals has been shown to impair differentiation and leads to the development of diseases including cancer. *Let-7* appears as a master regulator of the cell-proliferation pathways altered in lung, breast, colon, and prostate cancer (Takamizawa 2004; Johnson *et al.* 2007; Trang *et al.* 2009; reviewed in Lo *et al.* 2013). Notably, such cancer cells present unusually low levels of *let-7*. In addition, connections between *let-7* and hormone signaling have been established in mammals. *Let-7c* plays an important role in the regulation of androgen signaling in castration-resistant prostate cancers, acting by downregulation of the androgen receptor. In turn, androgen signaling further increases cellular levels of miR-125b (Shi *et al.* 2007), suggesting that both miR-125 and *let-7* respond to hormonal imbalances. Whether sex determination is affected in these contexts will require future studies.

We provide an extensive repertoire of sex-biased and gender neutral miRNAs that will help address the varied

functions of miRNA activity across development and aging, as well as in the context of human diseases.

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A Genome-Wide Survey of Sexually Dimorphic Expression of *Drosophila* miRNAs Identifies the Steroid Hormone-Induced miRNA let-7 as a Regulator of Sexual Identity

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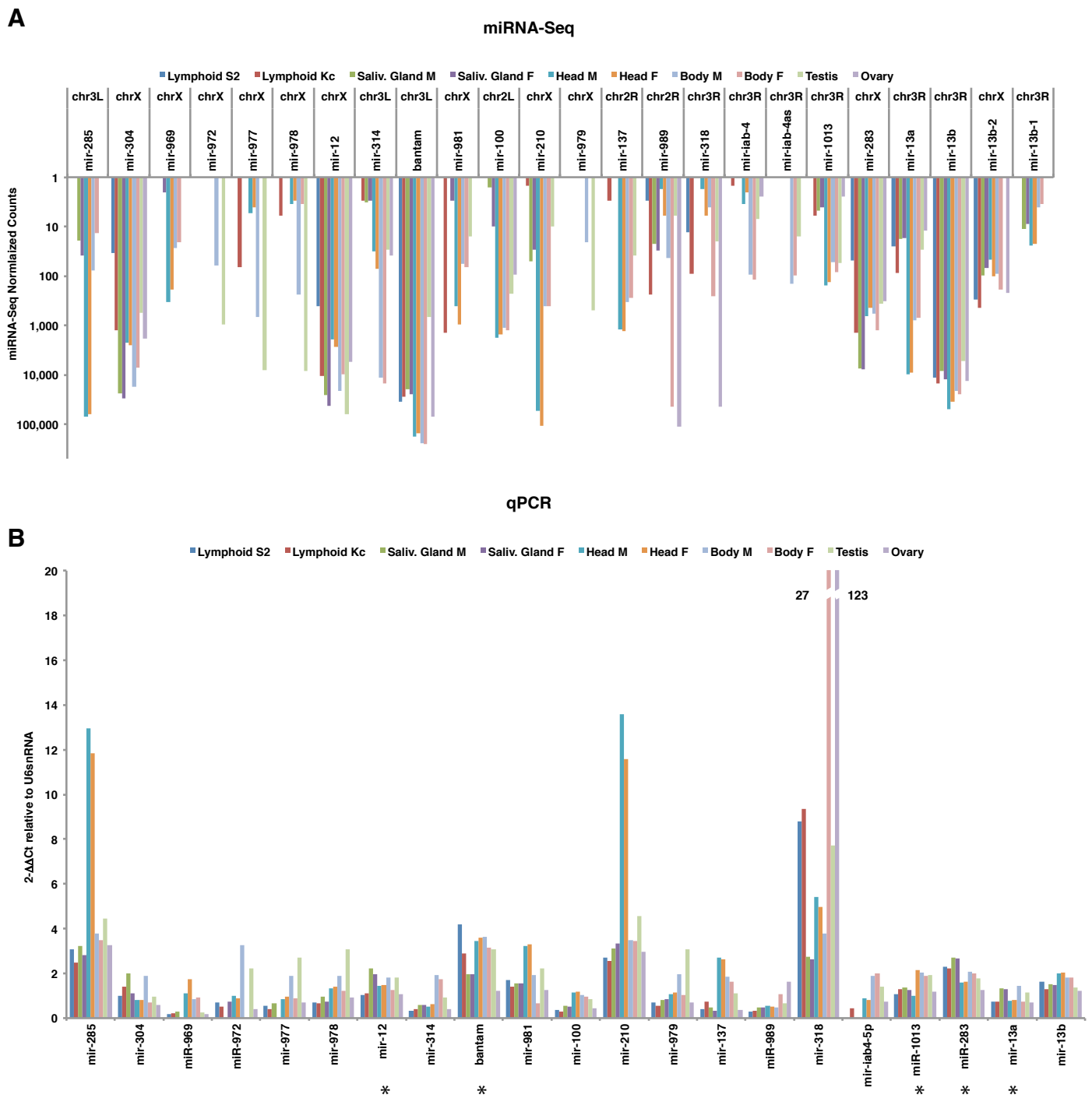


FIGURE S1: qPCR validation of the expression levels of 22 miRNAs across all samples. The trends of miRNA expression levels and relative abundance across all samples by miRNA-Seq (A) and qPCR (B) are similar for 16 miRNAs. Five additional miRNAs showing differences between miRNA-Seq and qPCR trends in one or more tissues (miR-12, bantam, miR-1013, miR-283, and miR-13a) are denoted with an asterisk. The genome presents several copies of mature miR-13b undistinguishable by qPCR: miR-13b and miR-13b-1 on chr3R, and miR-13b-2 on chrX. MiRNA normalized reads are reported in (A). qPCR assays were performed with at least two independent biological replicates and gave similar trends in (B). M: male ; F: female.

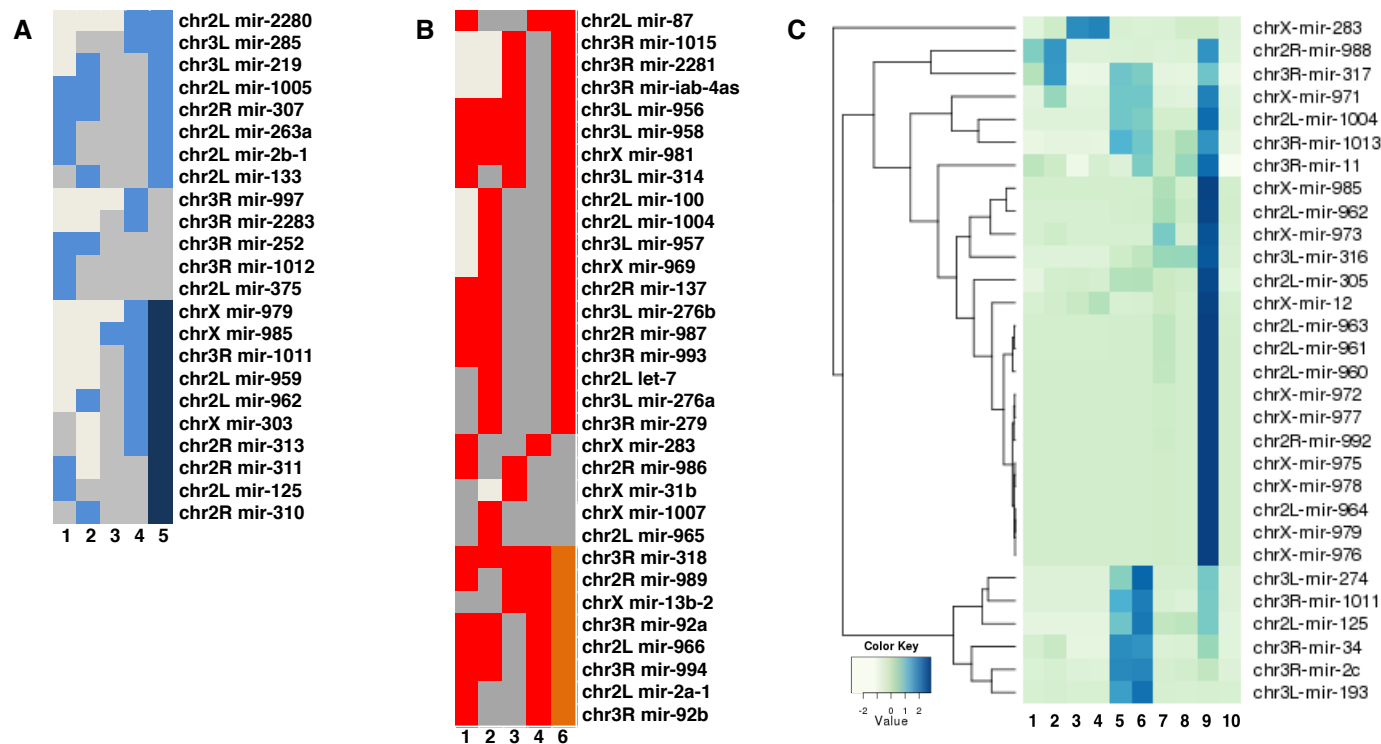


Figure S2: Male-enriched, female-enriched and X-linked testis-enriched miRNAs. (A) 23 miRNAs enriched in male somatic tissues in pairwise comparisons of S2 vs. Kc cells (1), male vs. female salivary glands (2), heads (3), and decapitated body (4). Colors indicate male-enriched miRNAs (light blue), miRNAs present at similar levels in both sexes (grey), poorly expressed miRNAs (white) and whether these miRNAs are more abundant in the male body (light blue) or testis (dark blue) in (5). (B) 32 female-enriched miRNAs in somatic tissues. Colors indicate female-enriched miRNAs (red), miRNAs present at similar levels in both sexes (grey), poorly expressed miRNAs (white) in somatic tissues [tissues (1) to (4)] as in (A), and whether these miRNAs are more abundant in the female body (red) or ovary (orange) in (6). (C) Relative abundance across all sexed tissues of the 30 miRNAs enriched exclusively in testis compared to the male body and not enriched in ovaries in females. 11 of the 30 testis-enriched miRNAs reside on the X chromosome. These miRNAs are highly and almost exclusively expressed in testis. S2 cells (1), Kc cells (2), male (3) and female (4) salivary glands, heads [male (5), female (6)], body [male (7), female (8)], testis (9), ovary (10).

TABLE S1: PCR primers used in this study

2S rRNA depletion:

5'-AGTCTTACAACCCTCAACCATATGTAGTCCAAGCAGCACT-3'

qPCR (miScript assay):

bantam-fwd	5'-GAGATCATTTTGAAGCTGATT-3'	
miR-12-fwd	5'-GAGTATTACATCAGGTACTGGT-3'	
mir-13b-1-2-fwd	5'-TATCACAGCCATTTTGACGAGT-3'	
mir-13a-fwd	5'-TATCACAGCCATTTTGATGAGT-3'	
mir-283-fwd	5'-TAAATATCAGCTGGTAATTCT-3'	
mir-304-fwd	5'-AATCTCAATTTGTAAATGTGAG-3'	
mir-210-fwd	5'-TTGTGCGTGTGACAGCGGCTA-3'	
mir-iab-4-5p-fwd	5'-ACGTATACTGAATGTATCCTGA-3'	
mir-iab-4-3p-fwd	5'-GTATACCTTCAGTATACGTAAC-3'	
mir-318-fwd	5'-TCACTGGGCTTTGTTTATCTCA-3'	
mir-985-fwd	5'-CAAATGTTCCAATGGTTCGGGCA-3'	
mir-979-fwd	5'-TTCTTCCCGAACTCAGGCTAA-3'	
mir-981-fwd	5'-TTCGTTGTCGACGAAACCTGCA-3'	
mir-977-fwd	5'-TGAGATATTCACGTTGTCTAA-3'	
mir-285-fwd	5'-TAGCACCATTTCGAAATCAGTGC-3'	
mir-969-fwd	5'-GAGTTCCACTAAGCAAGTTTT-3'	
mir-972-fwd	5'-TGTACAATACGAATATTTAGGC-3'	
mir-978-fwd	5'-TGTCCAGTGCCGTAATTGCAG-3'	
mir-314-fwd	5'-TATTCGAGCCAATAAGTTCGG-3'	
mir-100-fwd	5'-AACCCGTAAATCCGAACTTGTG-3'	
mir-137-Fwd	5'-TATTGCTTGAGAATACACGTAG-3'	
mir-989-fwd	5'-ATGTGATGTGACGTAGTGGAAC-3'	
mir-1013-fwd	5'-AATAAAAGTATGCCGAACTCG-3'	
mir-Spike-fwd	5'-CTCAGGATGGCGGAGCGGTGT-3'	external reference
U6snRNA-fwd	5'-ATTGGAACGATACAGAGAAGATTAG-3'	reference
Dspt-4-fwd	5'-TTGACGCGATACCCAAGGAT-3'	reference
Dspt4-rev	5'-CTAGTGTGATCATAGACATTGTCCTTGTT-3'	

qPCR on sex-specific transcripts:

RpL32-fwd	5'-AAGATGACCATCCGCCAGC-3'	endogenous control
RpL32-rev	5'-GTCGATACCCTTGGGCTTGC-3'	
Esg-fwd	5'-CGCCCATGAGATCTGAAATC-3'	
Esg rev	5'-GGTCTTGTACAATCCTTGC-3'	(Chau et al. 2009)
DsxM fwd	5'-TCCTTGGGAGCTGATGCCAC-3'	
DsxM rev	5'-GGCTACAGTGCGATTTATT-3'	
Yp1-fwd	5'-TGAGCGTCTGGAGAACATGAA-3'	
Yp1-rev	5'-GCGACAGGTGGTAGACTTGCT-3'	
tra1-fwd	5'-GGAACCCAGCATCGAGATTC-3'	
tra1-rev	5'-ATCGCCCATGGTATTCTCTTTC-3'	
Sxl-fwd	5'-ACAACGACAGCAGCAGGCCA-3'	
Sxl-rev	5'-TTGTAACCACGACGCGACGAT-3'	(Hashiyama et al. 2011)

TABLE S2: Late embryo-derived Lymphoid S2 (male) and Kc (female) cells biased miRNAs

S2 biased

chrom	miRNA	S2 reads	Kc reads	M/M+F	F/M+F	Sum reads	% miRNA
chr3R	dme-mir-252	13294	205	0.98479	0.01521	13499	1.1771
chr2R	dme-mir-307	932	33	0.96584	0.03416	965	0.0841
chr2L	dme-mir-263a	66	4	0.93623	0.06377	70	0.0061
chrX	dme-mir-980	1534	453	0.77219	0.22781	1987	0.1732
chr3L	dme-mir-282	13543	4622	0.74557	0.25443	18165	1.5839
chr2R	dme-mir-311	8	3	0.72746	0.27254	11	0.001
chr3R	dme-mir-1012	164	63	0.72266	0.27734	227	0.0198
chr2L	dme-mir-2b-1	498	207	0.70658	0.29342	705	0.0615
chr2L	dme-mir-125	10	4	0.68986	0.31014	14	0.0013
chr2R	dme-mir-286	43	21	0.67209	0.32791	64	0.0056

Kc biased

chrom	miRNA	S2	Kc reads	M/M+F	F/M+F	Sum reads	% miRNA
chrX	dme-mir-971	0	52	0	1	52	0.0046
chrX	dme-mir-973	0	12	0	1	12	0.001
chrX	dme-mir-982	0	16	0	1	16	0.0014
chrX	dme-mir-981	1	1427	0.00070	0.99930	1428	0.1245
chr3R	dme-mir-1000	1	1299	0.00077	0.99923	1300	0.1134
chr3R	dme-mir-92a	13	2215	0.00584	0.99416	2228	0.1943
chr3R	dme-mir-1010	1	106	0.00931	0.99069	107	0.0094
chr2R	dme-mir-989	3	237	0.01251	0.98749	240	0.0209
chrX	dme-mir-977	1	66	0.01494	0.98506	67	0.0058
chr3L	dme-mir-276b	5	187	0.02600	0.97400	192	0.0168
chrX	dme-mir-304	34	1260	0.02627	0.97373	1294	0.1129
chr2L	dme-mir-932	5	177	0.02750	0.97250	182	0.0159
chr2R	dme-mir-278	47	1647	0.02775	0.97225	1694	0.1477
chr3R	dme-mir-92b	20	670	0.02899	0.97101	690	0.0602
chr3L	dme-mir-193	3	96	0.03033	0.96967	99	0.0086
chrX	dme-mir-283	48	1394	0.03330	0.96670	1442	0.1257
chr3L	dme-mir-958	1	28	0.03393	0.96607	29	0.0026
chr3R	dme-mir-10	1	27	0.03575	0.96425	28	0.0024
chrX	dme-mir-12	415	10569	0.03778	0.96222	10984	0.9578
chr2R	dme-mir-986	3	43	0.06457	0.93543	46	0.0041
chr2L	dme-mir-124	8	94	0.07812	0.92188	102	0.0089
chr4	dme-mir-954	11	91	0.10741	0.89259	102	0.0089
chr3R	dme-mir-994	5	40	0.10998	0.89002	45	0.004
chr2R	dme-mir-8	4003	27812	0.12582	0.87418	31815	2.7742
chr3R	dme-mir-318	13	90	0.12632	0.87368	103	0.009
chr2L	dme-mir-9b	2463	11885	0.17166	0.82834	14348	1.2511
chr2L	dme-mir-2a-2	2015	9699	0.17202	0.82798	11714	1.0214
chrX	dme-mir-984	25	102	0.19700	0.80300	127	0.0111
chr2L	dme-mir-966	15	58	0.20424	0.79576	73	0.0064
chr2L	dme-mir-2b-2	431	1648	0.20727	0.79273	2079	0.1813
chr2L	dme-mir-2a	7839	29779	0.20838	0.79162	37618	3.2803
chr2R	dme-mir-31a	5	18	0.21756	0.78244	23	0.002

chr2L	dme-mir-1	23	82	0.21817	0.78183	105	0.0092
chr3R	dme-mir-13a	25	85	0.22641	0.77359	110	0.0096
chr3L	dme-mir-276	4524	15417	0.22687	0.77313	19941	1.7389
chr2L	dme-mir-305	3321	10310	0.24364	0.75636	13631	1.1886
chr2R	dme-mir-312	3	9	0.25018	0.74982	12	0.001
chr2L	dme-mir-9c	1896	5648	0.25132	0.74868	7544	0.6578
chr2R	dme-mir-1008	94	262	0.26386	0.73614	356	0.0311
chr2L	dme-mir-275	461	1247	0.26994	0.73006	1708	0.1489
chr3L	dme-mir-190	171	462	0.27033	0.72967	633	0.0552
chr2L	dme-mir-79	2043	5420	0.27374	0.72626	7463	0.6508
chr3L	dme-mir-9a	49	124	0.28262	0.71738	173	0.0151
chr2L	dme-mir-1006	58	145	0.28521	0.71479	203	0.0177
chr2L	dme-mir-306	2500	6128	0.28977	0.71023	8628	0.7523
chr3R	dme-mir-317	9157	21083	0.30281	0.69719	30240	2.6369
chr3R	dme-mir-999	247	560	0.30590	0.69410	807	0.0704
chr2R	dme-mir-1009	4	9	0.30790	0.69210	13	0.0011
chrX	dme-mir-983	6	13	0.30790	0.69210	19	0.0017
chr2L	dme-mir-2a-1	173	388	0.30831	0.69169	561	0.0489
chr3R	dme-mir-2c	9	19	0.31600	0.68400	28	0.0025
chr3L	dme-mir-33	1927	4040	0.32294	0.67706	5967	0.5203
chr2L	dme-mir-2b	9981	20837	0.32387	0.67613	30818	2.6874
chr2R	dme-mir-184	54062	109778	0.32997	0.67003	163840	14.2868

At least 10 normalized reads in the summed normalized reads were required. S2: Male (M); Kc: Female (F).

A ratio $(F/M+F) \geq 0.66$ is female biased. A ratio $(M/M+F) \geq 0.66$ is male biased.

TABLE S3: Male and female biased miRNAs in L3 larval salivary glands

Male biased

chrom	miRNA	Male S. Gland reads	Female S. Gland reads	M/M+F	F/M+F	Sum Reads	% miRNA
chr2L	dme-mir-275	21773	2588	0.89376	0.10624	24361	2.63097
chr2R	dme-mir-1009	8	2	0.80000	0.20000	10	0.00108
chr2R	dme-mir-278	1275	526	0.70797	0.29203	1801	0.19453
chr2L	dme-mir-133	10	4	0.70588	0.29412	14	0.00147
chr2L	dme-mir-1005	26	11	0.69945	0.30055	37	0.00395
chr3R	dme-mir-252	1330	644	0.67369	0.32631	1974	0.21315

Female biased

chrom	miRNA	Male S. Gland reads	Female S. Gland reads	M/M+F	F/M+F	Sum Reads	% miRNA
chr2L	dme-mir-100	2	10	0.13793	0.86207	12	0.00125
chr3L	dme-mir-282	6635	31936	0.17202	0.82798	38571	4.1657
chr2L	dme-let-7	48	219	0.17978	0.82022	267	0.02884
chr3R	dme-mir-279	514	1492	0.25608	0.74392	2006	0.21661
chr2L	dme-mir-965	210	567	0.26989	0.73011	777	0.08387
chr2R	dme-mir-987	14	36	0.28571	0.71429	50	0.00544
chr2L	dme-mir-305-as	3	7	0.31373	0.68627	10	0.0011
chr3R	dme-mir-92a	3	7	0.31373	0.68627	10	0.0011
chr3L	dme-mir-957	3	7	0.31373	0.68627	10	0.0011
chr2R	dme-mir-307-as	8	17	0.32000	0.68000	25	0.0027
chr3L	dme-mir-276a	1853	3728	0.33200	0.66800	5581	0.60273
chr3L	dme-mir-285	19	38	0.33566	0.66434	57	0.00618

At least 10 normalized reads in the summed normalized reads were required. M: male ; F: female.

A ratio (F/M+F) >=0.66 is female biased in salivary glands (S. glands). A ratio(M/M+F) >=0.66 is male biased.

TABLE S4: Male and female biased miRNAs in adult heads

Male biased

chrom	miRNA	Male Head reads	Female Head reads	M/M+F	F/M+F	Sum Reads	% miRNA
chrX	dme-mir-974	9	2	0.81405	0.18595	11	0.000247
chr3L	dme-mir-190	2189	634	0.77540	0.22460	2823	0.06472
chr2L	dme-mir-305-as	21	8	0.72426	0.27574	29	0.000665
chr3L	dme-mir-276	119752	58112	0.67328	0.32672	177864	4.077941
chr2R	dme-mir-1008	208	104	0.66707	0.33293	312	0.007162

Female biased

chrom	miRNA	Male Head reads	Female Head reads	M/M+F	F/M+F	Sum Reads	% miRNA
chr3L	dme-mir-958	5	29	0.15336	0.84664	34	0.000785
chrX	dme-mir-31b	12	44	0.21788	0.78212	56	0.00129
chr2L	dme-mir-964	12	41	0.23015	0.76985	53	0.001221
chr3L	dme-mir-956	7	20	0.25938	0.74062	27	0.000619
chrX	dme-mir-980	611	1464	0.29450	0.70550	2075	0.047577
chrX	dme-mir-981	404	968	0.29472	0.70528	1372	0.031468
chr3L	dme-mir-274	24301	55708	0.30373	0.69627	80009	1.834398
chr3L	dme-mir-314	32	72	0.30448	0.69552	104	0.002373
chr2L	dme-mir-961	9	20	0.30448	0.69552	29	0.000659
chr2L	dme-mir-963	9	20	0.30448	0.69552	29	0.000659
chr3R	dme-mir-284	907	2009	0.31105	0.68895	2916	0.066857
chr2R	dme-mir-286	7	15	0.31831	0.68169	22	0.000504
chr2L	dme-mir-275	1170	2503	0.31849	0.68151	3673	0.084205
chrX	dme-mir-13b-2	47	101	0.31885	0.68115	148	0.0034
chr2R	dme-mir-986	475	1006	0.32052	0.67948	1481	0.033945
chrX	dme-mir-210	54115	106957	0.33597	0.66403	161072	3.692947
chr3R	dme-mir-11	10872	21450	0.33637	0.66363	32322	0.741065
chr2L	dme-mir-960	53	103	0.33776	0.66224	156	0.003566
chr2L	dme-mir-133	8468	16473	0.33953	0.66047	24941	0.571834

At least 10 normalized reads in the summed normalized reads were required.

A ratio (F/M+F) >=0.66 is female biased in the head. A ratio(M/M+F) >=0.66 is male biased. F: female; M: Male.

TABLE S5: Male vs. female biased miRNAs in the adult body

Male body biased

chrom	miRNA	Male Body reads	Female Body reads	M/M+F	F/M+F	Sum Reads	% miRNA
chrX	dme-mir-972	61	0	1	0	61	0.001355886
chrX	dme-mir-975	33	0	1	0	33	0.000733512
chrX	dme-mir-977	680	0	1	0	680	0.015114796
chrX	dme-mir-979	21	0	1	0	21	0.00046678
chr3R	dme-mir-997	184	0	1	0	184	0.004089886
chrX	dme-mir-978	241	3	0.98597	0.01403	244	0.00543307
chrX	dme-mir-974	236	3	0.98568	0.01432	239	0.005321932
chrX	dme-mir-976	380	7	0.98227	0.01773	387	0.008598921
chr2L	dme-mir-959	478	10	0.97894	0.02106	488	0.010853439
chrX	dme-mir-303	142	3	0.97642	0.02358	145	0.003232534
chrX	dme-mir-985	214	7	0.96895	0.03105	221	0.004909133
chrX	dme-mir-983	724	24	0.96791	0.03209	748	0.016626275
chrX	dme-mir-984	551	24	0.95826	0.04174	575	0.012780893
chrX	dme-mir-973	76	3	0.95683	0.04317	79	0.00176551
chr2L	dme-mir-963	368	21	0.94706	0.05294	389	0.008637026
chr2R	dme-mir-991	120	7	0.94595	0.05405	127	0.002819735
chr2L	dme-mir-960	1717	117	0.93642	0.06358	1834	0.040755964
chr2R	dme-mir-992	45	3	0.92920	0.07080	48	0.001076453
chr2L	dme-mir-964	437	34	0.92725	0.07275	471	0.010475569
chrX	dme-mir-982	118	10	0.91982	0.08018	128	0.002851489
chr2L	dme-mir-961	177	17	0.91170	0.08830	194	0.004315337
chr3L	dme-mir-285	76	14	0.84713	0.15287	90	0.001994137
chr2R	dme-mir-1009	38	10	0.78698	0.21302	48	0.001073277
chr3L	dme-mir-193	12	3	0.77778	0.22222	15	0.000342941
chr2L	dme-mir-962	401	134	0.74993	0.25007	535	0.011885434
chrX	dme-mir-304	17186	7227	0.70396	0.29604	24413	0.542652738
chrX	dme-mir-12	21306	9603	0.68930	0.31070	30909	0.687043433
chr2R	dme-mir-313	59	27	0.68264	0.31736	86	0.001921103

Female body biased

chrom	miRNA	Male Body reads	Female Body reads	M/M+F	F/M+F	Sum Reads	% miRNA
chr2R	dme-mir-989	44	45010	0.00098	0.99902	45054	1.001449337
chr3R	dme-mir-318	4	261	0.01512	0.98488	265	0.005880792
chr3R	dme-mir-994	4	261	0.01512	0.98488	265	0.005880792
chr3R	dme-mir-92b	42	233	0.15265	0.84735	275	0.006115771
chr2L	dme-mir-966	5	21	0.19553	0.80447	26	0.000568392
chr2L	dme-mir-2a-1	21	75	0.21778	0.78222	96	0.002143378
chr3L	dme-mir-190	162	579	0.21850	0.78150	741	0.016480193
chr3L	dme-mir-276	47955	128270	0.27212	0.72788	176225	3.917056396
chr2L	dme-mir-275	1122	2616	0.30016	0.69984	3738	0.083086855
chr3R	dme-mir-92a	254	579	0.30477	0.69523	833	0.018525136
chrX	dme-mir-283	577	1245	0.31676	0.68324	1822	0.040489204
chrX	dme-mir-13b-2	92	189	0.32790	0.67210	281	0.006236436

chr2L	dme-mir-87	908	1834	0.33111	0.66889	2742	0.060954495
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At least 10 normalized reads in the summed normalized reads were required.

A ratio $(F/M+F) \geq 0.66$ is female biased. A ratio $(M/M+F) \geq 0.66$ is male biased. F: female; M: male.

TABLE S6: Testis and Ovary biased miRNAs

Testis biased

chrom	miRNA	Testes reads	Ovary reads	T/Ov+T	Ov/T+Ov	Sum Reads	% miRNA	
chr2L	dme-mir-1004	144	0	0	1	0	144	0.01472903
chr2R	dme-mir-137	38	0	0	1	0	38	0.003886827
chrX	dme-mir-210	10	0	0	1	0	10	0.001022849
chr3L	dme-mir-263b	13	0	0	1	0	13	0.001329704
chr3L	dme-mir-315	12	0	0	1	0	12	0.001227419
chr2L	dme-mir-375	1491	0	0	1	0	1491	0.152506835
chrX	dme-mir-971	33	0	0	1	0	33	0.003375403
chrX	dme-mir-972	961	0	0	1	0	961	0.098295821
chrX	dme-mir-973	51	0	0	1	0	51	0.005216532
chrX	dme-mir-974	82	0	0	1	0	82	0.008387364
chrX	dme-mir-975	2134	0	0	1	0	2134	0.218276047
chrX	dme-mir-976	7525	0	0	1	0	7525	0.76969412
chrX	dme-mir-977	8100	0	0	1	0	8100	0.828507956
chrX	dme-mir-978	8457	0	0	1	0	8457	0.865023677
chrX	dme-mir-979	497	0	0	1	0	497	0.050835612
chrX	dme-mir-981	16	0	0	1	0	16	0.001636559
chr2R	dme-mir-992	395	0	0	1	0	395	0.040402548
chr3R	dme-mir-997	59	0	0	1	0	59	0.006034811
chr3R	dme-mir-iab-4as	16	0	0	1	0	16	0.001636559
chr2L	dme-mir-959	17252	10	0.99943	0.00057		17262	1.765620246
chr2L	dme-mir-964	10115	12	0.99879	0.00121		10127	1.035862826
chr3L	dme-mir-274	7928	12	0.99846	0.00154		7940	0.812165678
chr2L	dme-mir-963	926	2	0.99737	0.00263		928	0.094965994
chr2L	dme-mir-960	5436	27	0.99508	0.00492		5463	0.558772501
chrX	dme-mir-985	321	2	0.99244	0.00756		323	0.033083609
chr3L	dme-mir-9a	6846	98	0.98591	0.01409		6944	0.710248489
chr2L	dme-mir-124	151	2	0.98406	0.01594		153	0.015695171
chr3R	dme-mir-277	9542	213	0.97819	0.02181		9755	0.997765528
chr2L	dme-mir-961	477	12	0.97501	0.02499		489	0.050040643
chr3R	dme-mir-1013	54	2	0.95667	0.04333		56	0.005773532
chr3R	dme-mir-252	990	51	0.95068	0.04932		1041	0.106515149
chr2L	dme-mir-133	38	2	0.93953	0.06047		40	0.004136973
chr2R	dme-mir-991	127	10	0.92848	0.07152		137	0.01399077
chr2R	dme-mir-988	6587	523	0.92640	0.07360		7110	0.727282088
chr2R	dme-mir-310	3356	289	0.92082	0.07918		3645	0.372785458
chrX	dme-mir-12	62228	5576	0.91776	0.08224		67804	6.935319591
chr2L	dme-mir-932	45	5	0.90196	0.09804		50	0.005103114
chr3R	dme-mir-1010	168	20	0.89569	0.10431		188	0.019185036
chr2R	dme-mir-278	2426	286	0.89450	0.10550		2712	0.277410324
chr3R	dme-mir-2c	19	2	0.88596	0.11404		21	0.00219356
chrX	dme-mir-983	6732	1010	0.86954	0.13046		7742	0.791892449
chr2R	dme-mir-311	3582	582	0.86022	0.13978		4164	0.425919368
chr2L	dme-mir-962	471	81	0.85372	0.14628		552	0.05643102
chr2L	dme-mir-125	3331	614	0.84439	0.15561		3945	0.403497747

chr3L	dme-mir-316	4417	814	0.84433	0.15567	5231	0.535091153
chr2L	dme-let-7	11559	2179	0.84139	0.15861	13738	1.405191589
chr2R	dme-mir-1008	11	2	0.81811	0.18189	13	0.00137528
chr3R	dme-mir-999	673	179	0.79034	0.20966	852	0.087098415
chr3R	dme-mir-317	4489	1294	0.77628	0.22372	5783	0.591484276
chr2L	dme-mir-305	18583	6588	0.73826	0.26174	25171	2.574654122
chr3L	dme-mir-956	54	22	0.71043	0.28957	76	0.0077747
chr2L	dme-mir-100	226	93	0.70861	0.29139	319	0.032621941
chr3R	dme-mir-13a	29	12	0.70341	0.29659	41	0.004216993
chrX	dme-mir-31b	875	416	0.67790	0.32210	1291	0.132024129

Ovary biased

chrom	miRNA	Testes reads	Ovary reads	T/Ov+T	Ov/T+Ov	Sum Reads	% miRNA
chr2R	dme-mir-989	6	111853	0.00005	0.99995	111859	11.44153945
chr3R	dme-mir-318	20	44135	0.00045	0.99955	44155	4.516429825
chr3R	dme-mir-994	19	18298	0.00104	0.99896	18317	1.873535481
chr2L	dme-mir-2b-1	2	460	0.00433	0.99567	462	0.04723201
chrX	dme-mir-13b-2	1	218	0.00457	0.99543	219	0.022365275
chr3R	dme-mir-996	348	36033	0.00957	0.99043	36381	3.72124572
chr3L	dme-bantam	687	69609	0.00977	0.99023	70296	7.190174187
chr2R	dme-mir-184	540	38992	0.01366	0.98634	39532	4.043561038
chr2R	dme-mir-1009	5	220	0.02221	0.97779	225	0.023024561
chr2L	dme-mir-965	9	355	0.02475	0.97525	364	0.037191728
chr2L	dme-mir-79	219	8506	0.02510	0.97490	8725	0.892408047
chr2L	dme-mir-263a	245	8899	0.02679	0.97321	9144	0.935340954
chr3L	dme-mir-33	166	5092	0.03157	0.96843	5258	0.537783186
chr2L	dme-mir-2b-2	40	1091	0.03538	0.96462	1131	0.115656495
chr2R	dme-mir-308	30	790	0.03659	0.96341	820	0.083865693
chr2L	dme-mir-275	605	15923	0.03660	0.96340	16528	1.690582725
chr3L	dme-mir-276	123	3194	0.03708	0.96292	3317	0.33927167
chr2R	dme-mir-281-2	21	430	0.04652	0.95348	451	0.046173672
chr3R	dme-mir-995	228	4654	0.04670	0.95330	4882	0.499348725
chr2L	dme-mir-1	241	3788	0.05981	0.94019	4029	0.41212676
chr2R	dme-mir-307	42	599	0.06551	0.93449	641	0.065581727
chr3R	dme-mir-998	84	986	0.07854	0.92146	1070	0.109400756
chr2L	dme-mir-87	12	139	0.07926	0.92074	151	0.015485739
chr2L	dme-mir-2a-1	13	149	0.08016	0.91984	162	0.016588608
chr2L	dme-mir-1005	3	34	0.08056	0.91944	37	0.003808898
chr2R	dme-mir-281-1	143	1277	0.10073	0.89927	1420	0.145202936
chr2L	dme-mir-966	6	51	0.10461	0.89539	57	0.005866775
chr2L	dme-mir-2a-2	112	829	0.11902	0.88098	941	0.096255393
chr3R	dme-mir-929	4	29	0.11995	0.88005	33	0.003410891
chr2R	dme-mir-313	370	1538	0.19389	0.80611	1908	0.195187234
chrX	dme-mir-1007	6	24	0.19701	0.80299	30	0.003115169
chr3R	dme-mir-284	16	56	0.22146	0.77854	72	0.007389916
chr2R	dme-mir-7	863	2981	0.22450	0.77550	3844	0.393199821
chr3L	dme-mir-190	13	44	0.22799	0.77201	57	0.005832331
chr2L	dme-mir-2b	6058	20095	0.23163	0.76837	26153	2.675091471

chr2L	dme-mir-2a	14216	47031	0.23211	0.76789	61247	6.264639548
chrX	dme-mir-304	556	1817	0.23430	0.76570	2373	0.24272887
chr2L	dme-mir-9c	2050	5715	0.26399	0.73601	7765	0.794275219
chr2L	dme-mir-306	951	2472	0.27779	0.72221	3423	0.350170536
chr3R	dme-mir-13b	5212	13392	0.28015	0.71985	18604	1.902908343
chr2R	dme-mir-986	309	736	0.29566	0.70434	1045	0.106899978
chr3R	dme-mir-1012	46	98	0.31984	0.68016	144	0.014710945
chr2R	dme-mir-312	1704	3546	0.32457	0.67543	5250	0.537005167
chr2L	dme-mir-9b	6727	13372	0.33469	0.66531	20099	2.055868849

At least 10 normalized reads in the summed normalized reads in male and female gonads are required.

A ratio (Testis/Ovary+Testis) ≥ 0.66 is Testis biased. A ratio (Ovary/Ovary +Testis) ≥ 0.66 is Ovary biased

T: Testis; Ov: Ovaries

TABLE S7: miRNAs with testis vs. male body biases

Male Body (male somatic tissues) biased miRNAs

chrom	miRNA	Male Body reads	Testis reads	BM/BM+T	Testis/BM+T	Sum reads	% miRNA	
chr3R	dme-mir-1014	248	0	0	1	0	248	0.007666282
chr3L	dme-mir-285	76	0	0	1	0	76	0.002349344
chr2R	dme-mir-5	14	0	0	1	0	14	0.000432774
chrX	dme-mir-927	41	0	0	1	0	41	0.001267409
chr3L	dme-mir-957	839	0	0	1	0	839	0.025935526
chrX	dme-mir-969	27	0	0	1	0	27	0.000834636
chr2L	dme-mir-1	496888	844	0.99831	0.00169	497732	15.38608851	
chr3R	dme-mir-993	1448	4	0.99759	0.00241	1452	0.044869387	
chr3R	dme-mir-1000	875	4	0.99602	0.00398	879	0.027156567	
chr3L	dme-mir-958	7379	32	0.99575	0.00425	7411	0.229076539	
chr3R	dme-mir-929	1810	14	0.99232	0.00768	1824	0.056384267	
chr3L	dme-mir-314	11627	102	0.99135	0.00865	11729	0.362556399	
chr3L	dme-mir-276	47955	431	0.99110	0.00890	48386	1.495713233	
chr3L	dme-bantam	244113	2405	0.99025	0.00975	246518	7.620454209	
chr2L	dme-mir-2b-1	623	7	0.98889	0.01111	630	0.019474829	
chr2R	dme-mir-987	803	11	0.98709	0.01291	814	0.025147259	
chr2R	dme-mir-281-2	5100	74	0.98579	0.01421	5174	0.159925441	
chr3L	dme-mir-276b	530	11	0.98057	0.01943	541	0.016708167	
chr2L	dme-mir-965	1129	32	0.97286	0.02714	1161	0.035873872	
chr2R	dme-mir-281-1	17602	501	0.97235	0.02765	18103	0.559592219	
chr3R	dme-mir-10	19132	599	0.96967	0.03033	19731	0.609917652	
chrX	dme-mir-13b-2	92	4	0.96335	0.03665	96	0.002952137	
chr3L	dme-mir-263b	1144	46	0.96175	0.03825	1190	0.036770333	
chr3R	dme-mir-996	29997	1218	0.96098	0.03902	31215	0.964931435	
chr3L	dme-mir-219	84	4	0.96000	0.04000	88	0.002704837	
chr3L	dme-mir-956	4342	189	0.95829	0.04171	4531	0.140064211	
chr2L	dme-mir-87	908	42	0.95579	0.04421	950	0.029366807	
chr2R	dme-mir-308	1864	105	0.94667	0.05333	1969	0.060866571	
chr3L	dme-mir-33	9633	581	0.94312	0.05688	10214	0.315739544	
chr2L	dme-mir-79	12143	767	0.94063	0.05937	12910	0.399063995	
chr3R	dme-mir-1001	106	7	0.93805	0.06195	113	0.003493104	
chr2R	dme-mir-307	2063	147	0.93348	0.06652	2210	0.068316467	
chr2L	dme-mir-263a	11829	858	0.93241	0.06759	12687	0.392170527	
chrX	dme-mir-210	409	35	0.92117	0.07883	444	0.013725119	
chr2L	dme-mir-1005	122	11	0.92075	0.07925	133	0.004095897	
chr3L	dme-mir-276a	90583	7868	0.92008	0.07992	98451	3.043359558	
chr3R	dme-mir-284	523	56	0.90328	0.09672	579	0.017898297	
chr3R	dme-mir-1015	62	7	0.89855	0.10145	69	0.002132958	
chrX	dme-mir-304	17186	1946	0.89829	0.10171	19132	0.591416607	
chr2R	dme-mir-184	15336	1890	0.89028	0.10972	17226	0.53249752	
chr2L	dme-mir-133	1065	133	0.88898	0.11102	1198	0.037033091	
chr2L	dme-mir-1006	415	53	0.88770	0.11230	468	0.014451561	
chr3R	dme-mir-13a	797	102	0.88703	0.11297	899	0.027774818	
chr3R	dme-mir-1017	25	4	0.87719	0.12281	29	0.000881004	

chr2R	dme-mir-31a	24842	3969	0.86224	0.13776	28811	0.890618047
chrX	dme-mir-980	2995	539	0.84748	0.15252	3534	0.109244532
chr2L	dme-mir-124	2863	529	0.84417	0.15583	3392	0.104839511
chr2L	dme-mir-2b-2	615	140	0.81457	0.18543	755	0.023338886
chr3R	dme-mir-iab-4	94	25	0.79325	0.20675	119	0.003663123
chr3R	dme-mir-998	1074	294	0.78509	0.21491	1368	0.042288209
chr3L	dme-mir-190	162	46	0.78072	0.21928	208	0.00641433
chr2R	dme-mir-1008	106	39	0.73356	0.26644	145	0.004466847
chr3R	dme-mir-279	14571	5439	0.72819	0.27181	20010	0.618557825
chr2L	dme-mir-2a-2	1047	392	0.72759	0.27241	1439	0.044482994
chr3R	dme-mir-iab-4as	144	56	0.72000	0.28000	200	0.006182487
chr2R	dme-mir-137	341	133	0.71941	0.28059	474	0.014652494
chr3L	dme-mir-955	59	25	0.70659	0.29341	84	0.002581188
chr3R	dme-mir-277	76053	33397	0.69487	0.30513	109450	3.383366128
chr2R	dme-mir-8	447346	198170	0.69301	0.30699	645516	19.95447212
chrX	dme-mir-1007	47	21	0.69118	0.30882	68	0.002102046
chr2R	dme-mir-1009	38	18	0.68468	0.31532	56	0.00171564
chr2R	dme-mir-989	44	21	0.67692	0.32308	65	0.002009308

Testis enriched miRNAs

chrom	miRNA	Male Body reads	Testis reads	BM/BM+T	Testis/BM+T	Sum Reads	% miRNA
chrX	dme-mir-975	33	7469	0.00440	0.99560	7502	0.231905256
chr2R	dme-mir-310	55	11746	0.00466	0.99534	11801	0.36479791
chr2R	dme-mir-311	68	12537	0.00539	0.99461	12605	0.389651525
chr2L	dme-mir-959	478	60382	0.00785	0.99215	60860	1.881332152
chrX	dme-mir-978	241	29600	0.00808	0.99192	29841	0.922443182
chrX	dme-mir-979	21	1740	0.01193	0.98807	1761	0.054421381
chr2L	dme-mir-964	437	35403	0.01219	0.98781	35840	1.107887009
chrX	dme-mir-976	380	26338	0.01422	0.98578	26718	0.825903573
chr2R	dme-mir-312	95	5964	0.01568	0.98432	6059	0.187298577
chr3R	dme-mir-92b	42	2615	0.01581	0.98419	2657	0.082118942
chrX	dme-mir-972	61	3364	0.01781	0.98219	3425	0.105859709
chrX	dme-mir-977	680	28350	0.02342	0.97658	29030	0.897388622
chrX	dme-mir-983	724	23562	0.02981	0.97019	24286	0.750739922
chr2R	dme-mir-992	45	1383	0.03152	0.96848	1428	0.044127532
chrX	dme-mir-971	4	116	0.03347	0.96653	120	0.003694039
chr2R	dme-mir-988	876	23055	0.03661	0.96339	23931	0.739750538
chr2R	dme-mir-313	59	1295	0.04357	0.95643	1354	0.041855466
chr3R	dme-mir-92a	254	4984	0.04849	0.95151	5238	0.161919445
chr3R	dme-mir-318	4	70	0.05405	0.94595	74	0.002287522
chr3R	dme-mir-994	4	67	0.05674	0.94326	71	0.002179328
chr2R	dme-mir-3	2	28	0.06667	0.93333	30	0.000927374
chrX	dme-mir-984	551	7704	0.06675	0.93325	8255	0.255166864
chr2L	dme-mir-1004	44	504	0.08029	0.91971	548	0.016940025
chr2L	dme-mir-960	1717	19026	0.08277	0.91723	20743	0.641217054
chr3R	dme-mir-1011	1	11	0.08696	0.91304	12	0.000355493
chrX	dme-mir-12	21306	217798	0.08911	0.91089	239104	7.391291592
chr2L	dme-mir-961	177	1670	0.09586	0.90414	1847	0.057079847

chr2L	dme-mir-963	368	3241	0.10197	0.89803	3609	0.111563048
chr3L	dme-mir-274	3593	27748	0.11464	0.88536	31341	0.968827221
chr3R	dme-mir-317	2370	15712	0.13107	0.86893	18082	0.558943528
chr2L	dme-mir-9b	4263	23545	0.15330	0.84670	27808	0.859598032
chrX	dme-mir-985	214	1124	0.16000	0.84000	1338	0.041345405
chr2L	dme-mir-305	13965	65041	0.17676	0.82324	79006	2.442253734
chr4	dme-mir-954	50	217	0.18727	0.81273	267	0.008253625
chr3R	dme-mir-34	9383	40124	0.18953	0.81047	49507	1.530382746
chr2L	dme-mir-966	5	21	0.19231	0.80769	26	0.000803724
chr2L	dme-mir-962	401	1649	0.19566	0.80434	2050	0.063355069
chr2R	dme-mir-991	120	445	0.21258	0.78742	565	0.017450079
chr3R	dme-mir-1013	52	189	0.21577	0.78423	241	0.007449901
chrX	dme-mir-982	118	420	0.21933	0.78067	538	0.016630899
chr2L	dme-mir-306	1152	3329	0.25711	0.74289	4481	0.13850323
chr3L	dme-mir-316	5546	15460	0.26403	0.73597	21006	0.649331456
chrX	dme-mir-303	142	396	0.26419	0.73581	538	0.016615442
chr3R	dme-mir-2c	27	67	0.28877	0.71123	94	0.002890314
chrX	dme-mir-973	76	179	0.29862	0.70138	255	0.007867218
chr3R	dme-mir-11	14438	32372	0.30844	0.69156	46810	1.446996236
chr2L	dme-mir-125	5238	11659	0.31000	0.69000	16897	0.522312177
chrX	dme-mir-283	577	1257	0.31470	0.68530	1834	0.056677973
chr2L	dme-mir-2a-1	21	46	0.31579	0.68421	67	0.002055678
chr3L	dme-mir-193	12	25	0.32877	0.67123	37	0.001128304

At least 10 normalized reads in the summed normalized reads were required. A ratio (BodyM/BodyM+Testis) ≥ 0.66 is male body biased. A ratio (Testis/Body M+Testis) ≥ 0.66 is testis biased. BM: Body Male; T: testis

TABLE S8: Adult Female Body vs. Ovary biased miRNAs

Female Body (female somatic tissues) biased:

chrom	miRNA	Female Body reads	Ovary reads	BF/BF+Ov	BF/BF+Ov	Sum Reads	% miRNA
chr3R	dme-mir-1000	206	0	1	0	206	0.016796842
chr3R	dme-mir-1001	29	0	1	0	29	0.002364604
chr2L	dme-mir-1004	13	0	1	0	13	0.001059995
chr3R	dme-mir-1014	66	0	1	0	66	0.005381513
chr3R	dme-mir-1015	15	0	1	0	15	0.001223071
chr2R	dme-mir-137	80	0	1	0	80	0.006523046
chrX	dme-mir-210	121	0	1	0	121	0.009866106
chr3L	dme-mir-219	21	0	1	0	21	0.001712299
chr3L	dme-mir-263b	263	0	1	0	263	0.021444512
chr3L	dme-mir-276b	112	0	1	0	112	0.009132264
chr2L	dme-mir-375	811	0	1	0	811	0.066127374
chr3L	dme-mir-957	307	0	1	0	307	0.025032187
chr3L	dme-mir-958	2103	0	1	0	2103	0.171474559
chrX	dme-mir-981	19	0	1	0	19	0.001549223
chr2R	dme-mir-987	308	0	1	0	308	0.025113725
chr3R	dme-mir-993	314	0	1	0	314	0.025602954
chr3R	dme-mir-iab-4as	28	0	1	0	28	0.002283066
chr2L	dme-mir-124	470	2	0.99590	0.00410	472	0.038480513
chr2L	dme-mir-133	300	2	0.99360	0.00640	302	0.024619041
chr3L	dme-mir-314	4449	31	0.99310	0.00690	4480	0.365284793
chr3L	dme-mir-274	1179	10	0.99187	0.00813	1189	0.096921485
chr3R	dme-mir-277	19989	168	0.99166	0.00834	20157	1.643577423
chr3L	dme-mir-9a	8813	77	0.99130	0.00870	8890	0.724899812
chr3L	dme-mir-956	1393	17	0.98766	0.01234	1410	0.115001112
chr3R	dme-mir-10	6256	79	0.98749	0.01251	6335	0.51656459
chr2L	dme-mir-1	199357	2994	0.98520	0.01480	202351	16.4993386
chr3R	dme-mir-929	819	23	0.97246	0.02754	842	0.068671122
chr3R	dme-mir-252	1420	41	0.97221	0.02779	1461	0.119094084
chr3R	dme-mir-13a	202	10	0.95434	0.04566	212	0.017258791
chr2R	dme-mir-1008	36	2	0.94904	0.05096	38	0.003092991
chr2L	dme-mir-932	70	4	0.94766	0.05234	74	0.006022905
chr3R	dme-mir-iab-4	35	2	0.94766	0.05234	37	0.003011453
chr3L	dme-mir-276	37412	2525	0.93678	0.06322	39937	3.256354306
chr3L	dme-mir-955	26	2	0.93080	0.06920	28	0.00227761
chr2L	dme-mir-1006	101	8	0.92889	0.07111	109	0.008865826
chr3R	dme-mir-1013	24	2	0.92546	0.07454	26	0.002114534
chr3L	dme-mir-276a	31855	2710	0.92159	0.07841	34565	2.818378803
chr2R	dme-mir-278	2040	226	0.90020	0.09980	2266	0.184779232
chrX	dme-mir-980	908	106	0.89518	0.10482	1014	0.082705681
chr2R	dme-mir-31a	11038	1703	0.86633	0.13367	12741	1.038880662
chr3R	dme-mir-1010	92	15	0.85610	0.14390	107	0.008762464
chr3R	dme-mir-999	771	141	0.84529	0.15471	912	0.074372131
chr2R	dme-mir-281-1	5351	1009	0.84134	0.15866	6360	0.518587988
chr3R	dme-mir-2c	10	2	0.83801	0.16199	12	0.000973001

chr2R	dme-mir-281-2	1730	340	0.83566	0.16434	2070	0.168802027
chr2L	dme-mir-100	366	73	0.83285	0.16715	439	0.035832503
chr3L	dme-mir-190	169	35	0.82926	0.17074	204	0.016617099
chr2L	dme-mir-87	535	110	0.82922	0.17078	645	0.052607222
chr2L	dme-let-7	8023	1722	0.82326	0.17674	9745	0.794619587
chr2R	dme-mir-8	191101	44755	0.81024	0.18976	235856	19.23123099
chr2L	dme-mir-125	1718	485	0.77977	0.22023	2203	0.17964509
chr3R	dme-mir-279	4143	1208	0.77422	0.22578	5351	0.436324888
chr3L	dme-mir-316	1713	644	0.72686	0.27314	2357	0.192162262
chr3R	dme-mir-284	116	44	0.72292	0.27708	160	0.013083682

Ovary enriched miRNAs:

chrom	miRNA	Female Body reads	Ovary reads	BF/BF+Ov	Ov/BF+Ov	Sum Reads	% miRNA
chr3R	dme-mir-318	76	34886	0.00217	0.99783	34962	2.850769902
chrX	dme-mir-984	7	1378	0.00505	0.99495	1385	0.112954019
chr3R	dme-mir-994	76	14463	0.00523	0.99477	14539	1.185511752
chr2R	dme-mir-313	8	1216	0.00654	0.99346	1224	0.099795454
chrX	dme-mir-303	1	128	0.00778	0.99222	129	0.010484476
chrX	dme-mir-983	7	798	0.00869	0.99131	805	0.065667938
chr2R	dme-mir-312	40	2803	0.01407	0.98593	2843	0.231810914
chr2R	dme-mir-1009	3	174	0.01695	0.98305	177	0.014430438
chr2R	dme-mir-311	13	460	0.02748	0.97252	473	0.038573619
chrX	dme-mir-982	3	89	0.03264	0.96736	92	0.007495147
chr2R	dme-mir-310	9	228	0.03796	0.96204	237	0.019333034
chr2L	dme-mir-275	763	12586	0.05716	0.94284	13349	1.088479123
chr3R	dme-mir-92b	68	990	0.06429	0.93571	1058	0.086246167
chr3R	dme-mir-92a	169	1514	0.10044	0.89956	1683	0.137196605
chr3R	dme-mir-995	459	3679	0.11093	0.88907	4138	0.337377347
chr2L	dme-mir-966	6	41	0.12877	0.87123	47	0.003799254
chr2R	dme-mir-989	13128	88414	0.12929	0.87071	101542	8.279510048
chr2L	dme-mir-9b	1608	10570	0.13204	0.86796	12178	0.99298085
chr2L	dme-mir-2a-1	22	118	0.15723	0.84277	140	0.011408674
chr2L	dme-mir-306	499	1954	0.20340	0.79660	2453	0.200041589
chr2R	dme-mir-184	7879	30821	0.20359	0.79641	38700	3.155536026
chr4	dme-mir-954	11	43	0.20550	0.79450	54	0.004364565
chr3R	dme-mir-996	8051	28482	0.22038	0.77962	36533	2.978840048
chrX	dme-mir-13b-2	55	172	0.24224	0.75776	227	0.018512798
chr2L	dme-mir-79	2196	6723	0.24621	0.75379	8919	0.727260898
chr2L	dme-mir-2b-2	319	862	0.27007	0.72993	1181	0.096309284
chr2L	dme-mir-959	3	8	0.27953	0.72047	11	0.000875095
chr2R	dme-mir-7	928	2356	0.28254	0.71746	3284	0.267806437
chr3L	dme-mir-33	1974	4025	0.32907	0.67093	5999	0.48912155
chr3R	dme-mir-34	3245	6344	0.33839	0.66161	9589	0.781900759

At least 10 normalized reads in summed normalized reads were required. A ratio (BodyF/BodyF+Ovary) ≥ 0.66 is female body biased and a ratio (Ovary/Body M+Ovary) ≥ 0.66 is ovary biased. BF: Body Female; Ov: Ovary.

TABLE S9: Raw Counts miRNA-Seq

Chrom	miRNA	Late Embryo Lymphoid Cells		L3 Larvae Salivary Glands		Adult Head		Adult Body		Adult Gonads	
		SZ (M)	Kc (F)	S. Glands M	S. Glands F	Head M	Head F	Body M	Body F	Testis	Ovary
chr3L	dme-bantam	35460	18240	12348	24423	103920	152727	244113	72941	28463	687
chr2L	dme-let-7	5	5	30	219	20606	51163	28931	8023	891	11559
chr2L	dme-let-7-as	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
chr2L	dme-mir-1	23	55	679	1503	126814	175008	496888	199357	1549	241
chr3R	dme-mir-10	1	18	199	395	3730	4794	19132	6256	41	171
chr2L	dme-mir-100	0	0	1	10	1004	1527	1103	366	38	226
chr3R	dme-mir-1000	1	867	13	27	18668	25776	875	206	0	1
chr3R	dme-mir-1001	0	0	0	0	162	208	106	29	0	2
chr2L	dme-mir-1002	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
chr3R	dme-mir-1003	1487	902	34	30	107	228	124	34	16	63
chr2L	dme-mir-1004	0	0	0	1	157	253	44	13	0	144
chr2L	dme-mir-1004-as	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
chr2L	dme-mir-1005	1	0	16	11	101	332	122	44	14	3
chr2L	dme-mir-1006	58	97	71	107	315	519	415	101	4	15
chr2L	dme-mir-1006-as	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
chrX	dme-mir-1007	13	5	0	4	109	125	47	19	10	6
chr2R	dme-mir-1008	94	175	8	9	119	104	106	36	1	11
chr2R	dme-mir-1009	4	6	5	2	30	85	38	3	90	5
chr3R	dme-mir-1010	1	71	1	0	851	1677	319	92	8	168
chr3R	dme-mir-1011	0	0	0	0	8	19	1	0	0	3
chr3R	dme-mir-1012	164	42	230	346	374	623	215	79	40	46
chr3R	dme-mir-1013	1	4	3	4	90	131	52	24	1	54
chr3R	dme-mir-1014	0	0	0	0	0	0	248	66	0	0
chr3R	dme-mir-1015	0	0	0	0	0	1	62	15	0	2
chr2R	dme-mir-1016	5	4	3	4	35	76	18	8	0	6
chr3R	dme-mir-1017	0	0	0	0	183	278	25	6	0	1
chr3R	dme-mir-11	15690	9328	5007	12439	6209	21450	14438	5606	3338	9249
chrX	dme-mir-12	415	7053	16391	43021	1117	2682	21306	2801	2280	62228
chr2L	dme-mir-124	8	63	10	16	29849	48896	2863	470	1	151
chr2L	dme-mir-124-as	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
chr2L	dme-mir-125	10	3	23	63	7175	20670	5238	1718	251	3331
chrX	dme-mir-12-as	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
chr2L	dme-mir-133	5	3	6	4	4836	16473	1065	300	1	38
chr2R	dme-mir-137	0	2	0	1	701	1301	341	80	0	38
chr3R	dme-mir-13a	25	57	11	17	5608	9074	797	202	5	29
chr3R	dme-mir-13b	11557	9820	5207	12399	27953	34823	21017	7131	5476	5212
chr3R	dme-mir-13b-1	0	0	7	9	14	22	4	1	0	0
chrX	dme-mir-13b-2	299	300	62	70	27	101	92	55	89	1
chr2R	dme-mir-14	182756	130160	2602	2658	31243	68581	26146	5504	1571	6722
chr2R	dme-mir-14-as	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	0	0
chr2R	dme-mir-184	54062	73256	810	1085	51441	89330	15336	7879	15944	540
chr3L	dme-mir-190	171	308	130	168	1250	634	162	169	18	13
chr3L	dme-mir-193	3	64	0	4	1978	4491	12	1	1	7
chr2L	dme-mir-1-as	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
chrX	dme-mir-210	1	1	31	29	30904	106957	409	121	0	10
chr3L	dme-mir-219	0	0	1	0	259	437	84	21	0	1
chr2RHet	dme-mir-2279	8	9	2	5	7	16	12	3	0	3
chr2RHet	dme-mir-2279-as	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
chr2L	dme-mir-2280	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
chr3R	dme-mir-2281	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	1	0	0
chr3L	dme-mir-2282	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
chr3R	dme-mir-2283	0	0	0	0	3	3	4	0	0	1
chr3R	dme-mir-252	13294	137	831	644	14416	37717	4036	1420	21	990
chr2L	dme-mir-263a	66	3	27399	39275	17316	25950	11829	3892	3639	245
chr2L	dme-mir-263a-as	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
chr3L	dme-mir-263b	1	2	2	6	3141	6005	1144	263	0	13
chr3L	dme-mir-274	1	0	12	16	13878	55708	3593	1179	5	7928
chr2L	dme-mir-275	461	832	13608	2588	668	2503	1122	763	6511	605
chr2L	dme-mir-275-as	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
chr3L	dme-mir-276	4524	10288	1946	5840	68388	58112	47955	37412	1306	123
chr3L	dme-mir-276a	9143	7257	1158	3728	73713	163232	90583	31855	1402	2248
chr3L	dme-mir-276b	5	125	1	8	7324	16746	530	112	0	3
chr3R	dme-mir-277	3703	1688	807	1660	59156	104947	76053	19989	87	9542
chr2R	dme-mir-278	47	1099	797	526	2829	9122	4966	2040	117	2426
chr3R	dme-mir-279	16526	10095	321	1492	8345	13021	14571	4143	625	1554
chr3R	dme-mir-279-as	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
chr2R	dme-mir-281-1	179	132	55	118	260	557	17602	5351	522	143
chr2R	dme-mir-281-2	34	23	53	84	277	439	5100	1730	176	21
chr3L	dme-mir-282	13543	3084	4147	31936	6842	6760	23325	12554	3427	11072
chr3L	dme-mir-282-as	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
chrX	dme-mir-283	48	930	4683	7791	370	448	577	363	133	359
chr3R	dme-mir-284	0	5	2	1	518	2009	523	116	23	16
chr3L	dme-mir-285	0	0	12	38	40821	63213	76	4	0	0
chr2R	dme-mir-286	43	14	23	31	4	15	5	1	0	0
chr2L	dme-mir-287	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
chr3L	dme-mir-289	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
chr2L	dme-mir-2a	7839	19872	7976	9677	40963	62518	42678	21855	19231	14216
chr2L	dme-mir-2a-1	173	259	16	27	34	64	21	22	61	13
chr2L	dme-mir-2a-2	2015	6472	112	164	1780	4486	1047	363	339	112
chr2L	dme-mir-2b	9981	13905	6378	7854	43346	58488	18220	8986	8217	6058
chr2L	dme-mir-2b-1	498	138	461	465	1684	1927	623	328	188	2
chr2L	dme-mir-2b-2	431	1100	189	177	714	1184	615	319	446	40
chr3R	dme-mir-2c	9	13	3	0	163	287	27	10	1	19
chr2R	dme-mir-3	15	8	1	1	3	5	2	1	3	8
chrX	dme-mir-303	7	8	0	0	1	3	142	1	66	113
chrX	dme-mir-304	34	841	15014	30430	1286	2492	17186	2108	743	556
chrX	dme-mir-304-as	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
chr2L	dme-mir-305	3321	6880	7165	9763	11336	20428	13965	3692	2694	18583
chr2L	dme-mir-305-as	0	3	2	7	12	8	0	1	1	0
chr2L	dme-mir-306	2500	4089	1067	1144	752	2067	1152	499	1011	951
chr2R	dme-mir-307	932	22	1	0	5587	15933	2063	482	245	42
chr2R	dme-mir-307-as	1	0	5	17	0	3	6	1	0	0

chr2R	dme-mir-308	1483	1685	2781	5046	1048	1674	1864	684	323	30
chr2R	dme-mir-309	4	3	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
chr2R	dme-mir-310	8	4	1	0	2	2	55	9	118	3356
chr2R	dme-mir-311	8	2	0	0	1	2	68	13	238	3582
chr2R	dme-mir-312	3	6	0	0	8	9	95	40	1450	1704
chr2R	dme-mir-313	2	2	0	0	4	4	59	8	629	370
chr3L	dme-mir-314	0	2	2	3	18	72	11627	4449	16	29
chr3L	dme-mir-314-as	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
chr3L	dme-mir-315	0	0	0	0	1204	2424	24	7	0	12
chr3L	dme-mir-316	0	0	8	14	1119	3236	5546	1713	333	4417
chr3L	dme-mir-316-as	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
chr3R	dme-mir-317	9157	14069	718	1536	8974	14533	2370	561	529	4489
chr3R	dme-mir-317-as	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
chr3R	dme-mir-318	13	60	0	1	1	6	4	76	18047	20
chr2R	dme-mir-31a	5	12	521	763	11606	22138	24842	11038	881	1134
chrX	dme-mir-31b	3	3	0	0	7	44	2068	447	170	875
chr3L	dme-mir-33	1927	2696	1239	2256	1864	3555	9633	1974	2082	166
chr3R	dme-mir-34	13980	15190	1643	2983	45375	77345	9383	3245	3282	11464
chr2L	dme-mir-375	1	0	18745	34030	57	182	4698	811	0	1491
chr2R	dme-mir-4	6	2	1	6	3	5	2	0	0	0
chr2R	dme-mir-5	14	9	18	26	7	22	14	4	4	0
chr2R	dme-mir-6-1	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
chr2R	dme-mir-6-2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
chr2R	dme-mir-6-3	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
chr2R	dme-mir-6-3-as	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
chr2R	dme-mir-7	332	243	176	270	13849	20729	3010	928	1219	863
chr2L	dme-mir-79	2043	3617	1604	3518	7700	13318	12143	2196	3478	219
chr2R	dme-mir-8	4003	18559	84972	180692	184826	244757	447346	191101	23152	56620
chr2L	dme-mir-87	0	2	2	4	2344	4107	908	535	57	12
chrX	dme-mir-927	0	1	0	0	662	994	41	9	0	0
chr3R	dme-mir-929	1	2	20	39	12012	13343	1810	819	12	4
chr3R	dme-mir-929-as	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0
chr3R	dme-mir-92a	13	1478	2	7	1421	2484	254	169	783	1424
chr3R	dme-mir-92a-as	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
chr3R	dme-mir-92b	20	447	31	64	54	68	42	68	512	747
chr2L	dme-mir-932	5	118	4	2	3614	8766	276	70	2	45
chr4	dme-mir-954	11	61	1	1	59	124	50	11	22	62
chr3L	dme-mir-955	0	0	0	0	54	84	59	26	1	7
chr3L	dme-mir-956	0	1	0	1	4	20	4342	1393	9	54
chr3L	dme-mir-957	0	0	2	7	6154	12255	839	307	0	0
chr3L	dme-mir-958	1	19	0	1	3	29	7379	2103	0	9
chr2L	dme-mir-959	0	0	0	0	7	18	478	3	4	17252
chr2L	dme-mir-960	0	1	0	2	30	103	1717	34	11	5436
chr2L	dme-mir-961	0	0	0	0	5	20	177	5	5	477
chr2L	dme-mir-962	0	0	1	0	28	55	401	39	33	471
chr2L	dme-mir-963	0	1	0	0	5	20	368	6	1	926
chr2L	dme-mir-964	0	0	0	0	7	41	437	10	5	10115
chr2L	dme-mir-965	559	608	131	567	361	613	1129	201	145	9
chr2L	dme-mir-966	15	39	1	4	8	12	5	6	21	6
chr2L	dme-mir-967	10	7	0	1	4	2	3	0	0	0
chr2L	dme-mir-967-as	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0
chr2L	dme-mir-968	0	0	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	0
chrX	dme-mir-969	0	0	0	2	194	192	27	6	0	0
chrX	dme-mir-970	1140	1185	177	198	1442	3119	656	205	59	100
chrX	dme-mir-971	0	35	0	1	40	70	4	0	0	33
chrX	dme-mir-972	0	0	0	0	0	1	61	0	0	961
chrX	dme-mir-973	0	8	0	0	0	0	76	1	0	51
chrX	dme-mir-974	0	2	0	0	5	2	236	1	0	82
chrX	dme-mir-975	0	3	0	0	0	0	33	0	0	2134
chrX	dme-mir-976	0	1	0	0	0	2	380	2	0	7525
chrX	dme-mir-977	1	44	0	0	3	4	680	0	0	8100
chrX	dme-mir-978	1	4	0	0	2	3	241	1	0	8457
chrX	dme-mir-979	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	0	0	497
chrX	dme-mir-980	1534	302	3	3	349	1464	2995	908	55	154
chrX	dme-mir-981	1	952	0	3	231	968	56	19	0	16
chrX	dme-mir-981-as	1	4	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0
chrX	dme-mir-982	0	11	0	0	1	3	118	3	46	120
chrX	dme-mir-983	6	9	0	0	9	16	724	7	413	6732
chrX	dme-mir-983-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	1
chrX	dme-mir-984	25	68	0	0	10	11	551	7	713	2201
chrX	dme-mir-985	0	0	0	0	1	0	214	2	1	321
chr2R	dme-mir-986	3	29	211	226	271	1006	1880	510	301	309
chr2R	dme-mir-987	0	3	9	36	14710	16043	803	308	0	3
chr2R	dme-mir-988	13800	15082	558	539	620	1460	876	280	214	6587
chr2R	dme-mir-988-as	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
chr2R	dme-mir-989	3	158	14	30	1	6	44	13128	45737	6
chr2R	dme-mir-990	0	0	0	0	382	430	8	2	0	0
chr2R	dme-mir-991	0	0	0	0	0	1	120	2	4	127
chr2R	dme-mir-992	2	4	0	0	0	1	45	1	0	395
chr3R	dme-mir-993	0	1	0	2	982	1433	1448	314	0	1
chr3R	dme-mir-994	5	27	0	2	2	3	4	76	7482	19
chr3R	dme-mir-995	3761	3754	1631	3220	2255	3287	909	459	1903	228
chr3R	dme-mir-995-as	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0
chr3R	dme-mir-996	23117	10275	2982	6077	10447	27396	29997	8051	14734	348
chr3R	dme-mir-997	0	0	0	0	0	0	184	0	0	59
chr3R	dme-mir-998	3118	3965	2123	5021	4751	5610	1074	459	403	84
chr3R	dme-mir-999	247	374	27	35	7193	10562	1464	771	73	673
chr3L	dme-mir-9a	49	83	1540	2193	12061	32808	28787	8813	40	6846
chr2L	dme-mir-9b	2463	7931	1257	1648	1557	3726	4263	1608	5468	6727
chr2L	dme-mir-9c	1896	3769	737	920	2615	5475	5508	2430	2337	2050
chr3R	dme-mir-iab-4	0	1	0	0	2	2	94	35	1	7
chr3R	dme-mir-iab-4as	0	0	0	0	0	1	144	28	0	16

S. Glands: Salivary Glands; M: Male; F: Female

TABLE S10: Normalized read counts in libraries

Chrom	miRNA	S2	Kc	S. Glands M	S. Glands F	Head M	Head F	Body M	Body F	Testis	Ovary	SUM
chr3L	dme-bantam	35460	27334	19757	24423	181971	152727	244113	250083	2405	55022	993293
chr2L	dme-let-7	5	7	48	219	36082	51163	28931	27507	40457	1722	186142
chr2L	dme-let-7-as	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
chr2L	dme-mir-1	23	82	1086	1503	222060	175008	496888	683509	844	2994	1583998
chr2L	dme-mir-1-as	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
chr3R	dme-mir-10	1	27	318	395	6531	4794	19132	21449	599	79	53326
chr2L	dme-mir-100	0	0	2	10	1758	1527	1103	1255	791	73	6519
chr3R	dme-mir-1000	1	1299	21	27	32689	25776	875	706	4	0	61398
chr3R	dme-mir-1001	0	0	0	0	284	208	106	99	7	0	704
chr2L	dme-mir-1002	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
chr3R	dme-mir-1003	1487	1352	54	30	187	228	124	117	221	31	3830
chr2L	dme-mir-1004	0	0	0	1	275	253	44	45	504	0	1121
chr2L	dme-mir-1004-as	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2
chr2L	dme-mir-1005	1	0	26	11	177	332	122	151	11	27	857
chr2L	dme-mir-1006	58	145	114	107	552	519	415	346	53	8	2316
chrX	dme-mir-1007	13	7	0	4	191	125	47	65	21	19	493
chr2R	dme-mir-1008	94	262	13	9	208	104	106	123	39	2	960
chr2R	dme-mir-1009	4	9	8	2	53	85	38	10	18	174	400
chr3R	dme-mir-1010	1	106	2	0	1490	1677	319	315	588	15	4514
chr3R	dme-mir-1011	0	0	0	0	14	19	1	0	11	0	45
chr3R	dme-mir-1012	164	63	368	346	655	623	215	271	161	77	2943
chr3R	dme-mir-1013	1	6	5	4	158	131	52	82	189	2	630
chr3R	dme-mir-1014	0	0	0	0	0	0	248	226	0	0	474
chr3R	dme-mir-1015	0	0	0	0	0	1	62	51	7	0	121
chr2R	dme-mir-1016	5	6	5	4	61	76	18	27	21	0	224
chr3R	dme-mir-1017	0	0	0	0	320	278	25	21	4	0	648
chr3R	dme-mir-11	15690	13979	8011	12439	10872	21450	14438	19221	32372	6453	154924
chrX	dme-mir-12	415	10569	26226	43021	1956	2682	21306	9603	217798	4407	337984
chr2L	dme-mir-124	8	94	16	16	52268	48896	2863	1611	529	2	106303
chr2L	dme-mir-125	10	4	37	63	12564	20670	5238	5890	11659	485	56620
chr2L	dme-mir-133	5	4	10	4	8468	16473	1065	1029	133	2	27193
chr2R	dme-mir-137	0	3	0	1	1228	1301	341	274	133	0	3281
chr3R	dme-mir-13a	25	85	18	17	9820	9074	797	693	102	10	20640
chr3R	dme-mir-13b	11557	14716	8331	12399	48948	34823	21017	24449	18242	10586	205067
chr3R	dme-mir-13b-1	0	0	11	9	25	22	4	3	0	0	74
chrX	dme-mir-13b-2	299	450	99	70	47	101	92	189	4	172	1522
chr2R	dme-mir-14	182756	195051	4163	2658	54709	68581	26146	18871	23527	3037	579498
chr2R	dme-mir-184	54062	109778	1296	1085	90077	89330	15336	27014	1890	30821	420688
chr3L	dme-mir-190	171	462	208	168	2189	634	162	579	46	35	4653
chr3L	dme-mir-193	3	96	0	4	3464	4491	12	3	25	2	8099
chrX	dme-mir-210	1	1	50	29	54115	106957	409	415	35	0	162012
chr3L	dme-mir-219	0	0	2	0	454	437	84	72	4	0	1052
chr2RHet	dme-mir-2279	8	13	3	5	12	16	12	10	11	0	91
chr2RHet	dme-mir-2279-as	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2
chr2L	dme-mir-2280	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
chr3R	dme-mir-2281	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	3	0	0	8
chr3L	dme-mir-2282	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
chr3R	dme-mir-2283	0	0	0	0	5	3	4	0	4	0	16
chr3R	dme-mir-252	13294	205	1330	644	25243	37717	4036	4869	3465	41	90843
chr2L	dme-mir-263a	66	4	43838	39275	30321	25950	11829	13344	858	7035	172520
chr3L	dme-mir-263b	1	3	3	6	5500	6005	1144	902	46	0	13610
chr3L	dme-mir-274	1	0	19	16	24301	55708	3593	4042	27748	10	115438
chr2L	dme-mir-275	461	1247	21773	2588	1170	2503	1122	2616	2118	12586	48183
chr2L	dme-mir-275-as	0	0	0	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	4
chr3L	dme-mir-276	4524	15417	3114	5840	119752	58112	47955	128270	431	2525	385939
chr3L	dme-mir-276a	9143	10875	1853	3728	129076	163232	90583	109217	7868	2710	528285
chr3L	dme-mir-276b	5	187	2	8	12825	16746	530	384	11	0	30697
chr3R	dme-mir-277	3703	2530	1291	1660	103586	104947	76053	68534	33397	168	395869
chr2R	dme-mir-278	47	1647	1275	526	4954	9122	4966	6994	8491	226	38248

chr3R	dme-mir-279	16526	15128	514	1492	14613	13021	14571	14205	5439	1208	96716
chr2R	dme-mir-281-1	179	198	88	118	455	557	17602	18346	501	1009	39053
chr2R	dme-mir-281-2	34	34	85	84	485	439	5100	5931	74	340	12606
chr3L	dme-mir-282	13543	4622	6635	31936	11981	6760	23325	43042	38752	6625	187220
chrX	dme-mir-283	48	1394	7493	7791	648	448	577	1245	1257	257	21157
chr3R	dme-mir-284	0	7	3	1	907	2009	523	398	56	44	3949
chr3L	dme-mir-285	0	0	19	38	71480	63213	76	14	0	0	134840
chr2R	dme-mir-286	43	21	37	31	7	15	5	3	0	0	162
chr2L	dme-mir-287	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3
chr3L	dme-mir-289	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	3
chr2L	dme-mir-2a	7839	29779	12762	9677	71729	62518	42678	74931	49756	37175	398844
chr2L	dme-mir-2a-1	173	388	26	27	60	64	21	75	46	118	997
chr2L	dme-mir-2a-2	2015	9699	179	164	3117	4486	1047	1245	392	655	22999
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chr2L	dme-mir-2b-1	498	207	738	465	2949	1927	623	1125	7	363	8901
chr2L	dme-mir-2b-2	431	1648	302	177	1250	1184	615	1094	140	862	7704
chr3R	dme-mir-2c	9	19	5	0	285	287	27	34	67	2	735
chr2R	dme-mir-3	15	12	2	1	5	5	2	3	28	6	79
chrX	dme-mir-303	7	12	0	0	2	3	142	3	396	128	692
chrX	dme-mir-304	34	1260	24022	30430	2252	2492	17186	7227	1946	1436	88286
chr2L	dme-mir-305	3321	10310	11464	9763	19850	20428	13965	12658	65041	5208	172008
chr2L	dme-mir-305-as	0	4	3	7	21	8	0	3	0	2	49
chr2L	dme-mir-306	2500	6128	1707	1144	1317	2067	1152	1711	3329	1954	23008
chr2R	dme-mir-307	932	33	2	0	9783	15933	2063	1653	147	474	31019
chr2R	dme-mir-307-as	1	0	8	17	0	3	6	3	0	0	38
chr2R	dme-mir-308	1483	2525	4450	5046	1835	1674	1864	2345	105	624	21951
chr2R	dme-mir-309	4	4	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	11
chr2R	dme-mir-310	8	6	2	0	4	2	55	31	11746	228	12081
chr2R	dme-mir-311	8	3	0	0	2	2	68	45	12537	460	13124
chr2R	dme-mir-312	3	9	0	0	14	9	95	137	5964	2803	9034
chr2R	dme-mir-313	2	3	0	0	7	4	59	27	1295	1216	2613
chr3L	dme-mir-314	0	3	3	3	32	72	11627	15254	102	31	27126
chr3L	dme-mir-315	0	0	0	0	2108	2424	24	24	42	0	4622
chr3L	dme-mir-316	0	0	13	14	1959	3236	5546	5873	15460	644	32745
chr3R	dme-mir-317	9157	21083	1149	1536	15714	14533	2370	1923	15712	1023	84200
chr3R	dme-mir-318	13	90	0	1	2	6	4	261	70	34886	35333
chr2R	dme-mir-31a	5	18	834	763	20323	22138	24842	37845	3969	1703	112439
chrX	dme-mir-31b	3	4	0	0	12	44	2068	1533	3063	329	7055
chr3L	dme-mir-33	1927	4040	1982	2256	3264	3555	9633	6768	581	4025	38031
chr3R	dme-mir-34	13980	22763	2629	2983	79455	77345	9383	11126	40124	6344	266132
chr2L	dme-mir-375	1	0	29992	34030	100	182	4698	2781	5219	0	77002
chr2R	dme-mir-4	6	3	2	6	5	5	2	0	0	0	29
chr2R	dme-mir-5	14	13	29	26	12	22	14	14	0	8	152
chr2R	dme-mir-6	10	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14
chr2R	dme-mir-7	332	364	282	270	24251	20729	3010	3182	3021	2356	57796
chr2L	dme-mir-79	2043	5420	2566	3518	13483	13318	12143	7529	767	6723	67511
chr2R	dme-mir-8	4003	27812	135955	180692	323642	244757	447346	655203	198170	44755	2262335
chr2L	dme-mir-87	0	3	3	4	4105	4107	908	1834	42	110	11116
chrX	dme-mir-927	0	1	0	0	1159	994	41	31	0	0	2227
chr3R	dme-mir-929	1	3	32	39	21034	13343	1810	2808	14	23	39107
chr3R	dme-mir-92a	13	2215	3	7	2488	2484	254	579	4984	1514	14541
chr3R	dme-mir-92b	20	670	50	64	95	68	42	233	2615	990	4845
chr2L	dme-mir-932	5	177	6	2	6328	8766	276	240	158	4	15962
chr4	dme-mir-954	11	91	2	1	103	124	50	38	217	43	680
chr3L	dme-mir-955	0	0	0	0	95	84	59	89	25	2	353
chr3L	dme-mir-956	0	1	0	1	7	20	4342	4776	189	17	9354
chr3L	dme-mir-957	0	0	3	7	10776	12255	839	1053	0	0	24933
chr3L	dme-mir-958	1	28	0	1	5	29	7379	7210	32	0	14686
chr2L	dme-mir-959	0	0	0	0	12	18	478	10	60382	8	60908
chr2L	dme-mir-960	0	1	0	2	53	103	1717	117	19026	21	21040
chr2L	dme-mir-961	0	0	0	0	9	20	177	17	1670	10	1902
chr2L	dme-mir-962	0	0	2	0	49	55	401	134	1649	64	2353

chr2L	dme-mir-963	0	1	0	0	9	20	368	21	3241	2	3662
chr2L	dme-mir-964	0	0	0	0	12	41	437	34	35403	10	35937
chr2L	dme-mir-965	559	911	210	567	632	613	1129	689	32	280	5622
chr2L	dme-mir-966	15	58	2	4	14	12	5	21	21	41	192
chr2L	dme-mir-967	10	10	0	1	7	2	3	0	0	0	33
chr2L	dme-mir-968	0	0	0	0	4	3	0	0	0	0	7
chrX	dme-mir-969	0	0	0	2	340	192	27	21	0	0	581
chrX	dme-mir-970	1140	1776	283	198	2525	3119	656	703	350	114	10864
chrX	dme-mir-971	0	52	0	1	70	70	4	0	116	0	313
chrX	dme-mir-972	0	0	0	0	0	1	61	0	3364	0	3426
chrX	dme-mir-973	0	12	0	0	0	0	76	3	179	0	270
chrX	dme-mir-974	0	3	0	0	9	2	236	3	287	0	540
chrX	dme-mir-975	0	4	0	0	0	0	33	0	7469	0	7507
chrX	dme-mir-976	0	1	0	0	0	2	380	7	26338	0	26728
chrX	dme-mir-977	1	66	0	0	5	4	680	0	28350	0	29106
chrX	dme-mir-978	1	6	0	0	4	3	241	3	29600	0	29857
chrX	dme-mir-979	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	0	1740	0	1761
chrX	dme-mir-980	1534	453	5	3	611	1464	2995	3113	539	106	10823
chrX	dme-mir-981	1	1427	0	3	404	968	56	65	56	0	2980
chrX	dme-mir-982	0	16	0	0	2	3	118	10	420	89	658
chrX	dme-mir-983	6	13	0	0	16	16	724	24	23562	798	25160
chrX	dme-mir-983-1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	4	8
chrX	dme-mir-984	25	102	0	0	18	11	551	24	7704	1378	9812
chrX	dme-mir-985	0	0	0	0	2	0	214	7	1124	2	1348
chr2R	dme-mir-986	3	43	338	226	475	1006	1880	1749	1082	582	7383
chr2R	dme-mir-987	0	4	14	36	25758	16043	803	1056	11	0	43726
chr2R	dme-mir-988	13800	22601	893	539	1086	1460	876	960	23055	414	65683
chr2R	dme-mir-989	3	237	22	30	2	6	44	45010	21	88414	133789
chr2R	dme-mir-990	0	0	0	0	669	430	8	7	0	0	1114
chr2R	dme-mir-991	0	0	0	0	0	1	120	7	445	8	580
chr2R	dme-mir-992	2	6	0	0	0	1	45	3	1383	0	1440
chr3R	dme-mir-993	0	1	0	2	1720	1433	1448	1077	4	0	5684
chr3R	dme-mir-994	5	40	0	2	4	3	4	261	67	14463	14848
chr3R	dme-mir-995	3761	5626	2610	3220	3949	3287	909	1574	798	3679	29411
chr3R	dme-mir-996	23117	15398	4771	6077	18293	27396	29997	27603	1218	28482	182353
chr3R	dme-mir-997	0	0	0	0	0	0	184	0	207	0	391
chr3R	dme-mir-998	3118	5942	3397	5021	8319	5610	1074	1574	294	779	35128
chr3R	dme-mir-999	247	560	43	35	12595	10562	1464	2643	2356	141	30647
chr3L	dme-mir-9a	49	124	2464	2193	21120	32808	28787	30216	23961	77	141799
chr2L	dme-mir-9b	2463	11885	2011	1648	2726	3726	4263	5513	23545	10570	68350
chr2L	dme-mir-9c	1896	5648	1179	920	4579	5475	5508	8331	7175	4518	45229
chr3R	dme-mir-iab-4	0	1	0	0	4	2	94	120	25	2	247
chr3R	dme-mir-iab-4as	0	0	0	0	0	1	144	96	56	0	297
SUM_Norm_Reads_in_libr		476512	670269	419331	506593	2221284	2140318	1943944	2554945	1290996	481225	

TABLE S11: Abundance of miRNAs in *msl3* mutant salivary glands

	Genotype	Exp.	Average Ct ^a	Corrected amount ^b	Fold Difference (FD) ^c	log ₂ (FD)	Average log ₂ (FD)	SD ^d	p value ^e
Dspt4	msl3-/msl3+	1	23.5091	95.762	1.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	
		2	23.7935	200.048	1.000	0.000			
	msl3-/msl3-	1	23.2659	106.222					
		2	23.2766	250.610					
mir-283	msl3-/msl3+	1	24.9728	89.769	0.514	-0.961	-0.901	0.086	0.00045
		2	24.7449	185.152	0.559	-0.840			
	msl3-/msl3-	1	26.4340	57.172					
		2	26.1674	129.580					
mir-304	msl3-/msl3+	1	29.9743	100.663	0.338	-1.564	-1.631	0.095	0.00070
		2	30.2644	203.835	0.308	-1.698			
	msl3-/msl3-	1	32.2164	37.754					
		2	32.3252	78.686					
mir-12	msl3-/msl3+	1	21.5294	88.515	0.406	-1.300	-1.284	0.022	0.00006
		2	21.8149	182.599	0.415	-1.269			
	msl3-/msl3-	1	23.8153	39.885					
		2	24.1442	94.941					
mir-979	msl3-/msl3+	1	36.2751	149.915	0.833	-0.263	-0.749	0.687	0.24047
		2	35.4645	209.309	0.425	-1.235			
	msl3-/msl3-	1	36.5484	138.570					
		2	37.5508	111.399					
mir-210	msl3-/msl3+	1	28.5830	100.340	1.425	0.511	0.384	0.180	0.07654
		2	29.1231	202.647	1.195	0.257			
	msl3-/msl3-	1	27.8037	158.625					
		2	28.3154	303.278					
U6	msl3-/msl3+	1	17.1883	100.088	0.611	-0.710	-0.627	0.117	0.01472
		2	17.7507	184.333	0.686	-0.544			
	msl3-/msl3-	1	18.0034	67.880					
		2	18.2684	158.374					

a. Dilution series were prepared in the control sample to construct standard curves for the Dspt4 autosomal gene reference and for each miRNA. C_T values measured in replicates for the target miRNA and Dspt4 reference in mutant and heterozygous mutant control samples respectively are averaged in individual experiments (Exp.1 and 2) and the corrected amount of target miRNA and Dspt4 reference inferred from the standard curve in b.

c. The amounts of miRNA are normalized in the mutant sample and in the heterozygous mutant control sample by dividing the calculated amount of miRNA by the amount of the Dspt4 reference. The fold difference (FD) or relative expression level of a miRNA corresponds to the

ratio of the normalized abundance of the miRNA in the mutant relative to the heterozygous mutant control sample, that is the ratio $[\text{miRNA/Dspt4}] \text{ Mutant} / [\text{miRNA/Dspt4}] \text{ Control}$; the average of the base 2 logarithm of the fold difference is plotted in Figure 2B,C.

d. SD is the standard deviation of the difference.

e. p-values are established in a two tailed Students t-test comparing the means of the normalized amounts of target miRNA in the mutant and in the heterozygous mutant control samples.

* $p < 0.05$, ** $p < 0.005$. *** $p < 0.0005$

TABLE S12: Abundance of miRNAs in *msl3* mutant L3 larvae

	Genotype	Exp.	Average Ct ^a	Corrected amount ^b	Fold Difference (FD) ^c	log ₂ (FD)	Average log ₂ (FD)	SD ^d	p value ^e
Dspt4	msl3-/msl3+	1	25.9974	34.628	1.000	0.000			
		2	25.6265	92.801	1.000	0.000			
	msl3-/msl3-	1	24.8854	54.398					
		2	24.7720	132.066					
mir-283	msl3-/msl3+	1	26.9201	49.324	0.756	-0.403	-0.253	0.213	0.18885
		2	27.2713	98.504	0.932	-0.102			
	msl3-/msl3-	1	26.3534	58.590					
		2	26.1358	130.596					
mir-304	msl3-/msl3+	1	31.2445	57.627	0.356	-1.488	-1.475	0.019	0.03552
		2	31.5988	109.348	0.363	-1.462			
	msl3-/msl3-	1	32.5782	32.271					
		2	33.0699	56.492					
mir-12	msl3-/msl3+	1	22.7659	57.656	0.455	-1.136	-1.040	0.136	0.00881
		2	22.9153	134.505	0.520	-0.943			
	msl3-/msl3-	1	23.7208	41.214					
		2	23.9739	99.544					
mir-979	msl3-/msl3+	1	31.1498	1044.716	0.760	-0.396	-0.259	0.193	0.38647
		2	31.4659	927.357	0.918	-0.123			
	msl3-/msl3-	1	30.6831	1247.539					
		2	30.7420	1211.981					
mir-210	msl3-/msl3+	1	27.5383	185.744	1.197	0.259	0.065	0.275	0.38641
		2	27.5514	461.878	0.914	-0.129			
	msl3-/msl3-	1	26.4166	349.245					
		2	26.9873	600.996					
U6	msl3-/msl3+	1	17.1512	101.819	0.694	-0.526	-0.444	0.117	0.14280
		2	17.5728	194.135	0.778	-0.362			
	msl3-/msl3-	1	16.9733	111.054					
		2	17.2156	215.036					

a-e as in Table S11.

TABLE S13: Abundance of miRNAs in *msl3* mutant salivary glands

	Genotype	Exp.	Average Ct ^a	Corrected amount ^b	Fold Difference (FD) ^c	log ₂ (FD)	Average log ₂ (FD)	SD ^d	p value ^e
Dspt4	msl3-/msl3+	1	24.216	100.872	1.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	
		2	24.262	99.102	1.000	0.000			
	msl3-/msl3-	1	23.663	124.744					
		2	24.150	103.457					
mir-314	msl3-/msl3+	1	31.225	100.048	2.258	1.175	1.149	0.037	0.0667
		2	30.498	152.880	2.178	1.123			
	msl3-/msl3-	1	29.463	279.422					
		2	29.089	347.564					
mir-981	msl3-/msl3+	1	32.920	117.805	0.958	-0.061	0.197	0.366	0.2414
		2	33.704	84.927	1.372	0.456			
	msl3-/msl3-	1	32.513	139.636					
		2	32.844	121.608					
mir-13b	msl3-/msl3+	1	23.450	122.437	0.411	-1.282	-0.884	0.564	0.0703
		2	24.218	81.676	0.714	-0.485			
	msl3-/msl3-	1	24.733	62.257					
		2	24.774	60.919					
mir-100	msl3-/msl3+	1	29.324	99.987	1.185	0.245	0.545	0.425	0.0596
		2	29.977	75.275	1.796	0.845			
	msl3-/msl3-	1	28.447	146.492					
		2	28.532	141.148					
mir-1013	msl3-/msl3+	1	31.660	84.010	1.176	0.234	-0.137	0.524	0.3233
		2	31.010	119.016	0.704	-0.507			
	msl3-/msl3-	1	30.962	122.159					
		2	31.585	87.439					
U6	msl3-/msl3+	1	18.097	100.004	0.726	-0.462	-0.418	0.061	0.0046
		2	18.127	98.736	0.771	-0.375			
	msl3-/msl3-	1	18.352	89.811					
		2	18.643	79.476					

a-e as in Table S11.

TABLE S14: Abundance of miRNAs in *msl3* mutant L3 larvae

	Genotype	Exp.	Average Ct ^a	Corrected amount ^b	Fold Difference (FD) ^c	log2 (FD)	Average log2(FD)	SD ^d	p value ^e
Dspt4	msl3-/msl3+	1	26.1455	48.078	1.000	0.000			
		2	26.1633	47.750	1.000	0.000			
	msl3-/msl3-	1	24.995	74.796					
		2	25.335	65.635					
mir-314	msl3-/msl3+	1	21.1699	35123.558	0.350	-1.514	-1.441	0.104	0.0003
		2	21.2272	33969.861	0.388	-1.367			
	msl3-/msl3-	1	22.213	19128.386					
		2	22.307	18104.321					
mir-981	msl3-/msl3+	1	29.5758	476.005	0.655	-0.609	-0.290	0.452	0.1481
		2	30.2449	359.989	1.021	0.030			
	msl3-/msl3-	1	29.529	485.377					
		2	29.433	505.205					
mir-13b	msl3-/msl3+	1	21.4858	344.693	0.540	-0.889	-0.905	0.022	0.0079
		2	21.5918	325.964	0.528	-0.921			
	msl3-/msl3-	1	21.817	289.481					
		2	22.199	236.640					
mir-100	msl3-/msl3+	1	26.8667	291.331	0.208	-2.262	-2.062	0.284	0.0032
		2	27.1654	255.822	0.275	-1.861			
	msl3-/msl3-	1	29.455	94.471					
		2	29.398	96.819					
mir-1013	msl3-/msl3+	1	29.240	142.324	0.573	-0.803	-0.610	0.273	0.0861
		2	28.286	126.568	0.749	-0.417			
	msl3-/msl3-	1	29.365	126.899					
		2	29.391	130.301					
U6	msl3-/msl3+	1	17.259	307.518	0.601	-0.734	-1.024	0.410	0.0125
		2	17.538	512.989	0.402	-1.314			
	msl3-/msl3-	1	17.532	287.625					
		2	17.469	283.612					

a-e as in Table S11.

TABLE S15: Abundance of miRNAs in *mle* mutant salivary glands

	Genotype	Exp.	Average Ct ^a	Corrected amount ^b	Fold Difference (FD) ^c	log ₂ (FD)	Average log ₂ (FD)	SD ^d	p value ^e
Dspt4	mle-/mle+	1	24.693	102.093	1.000	0.000			
		2	24.533	100.668	1.000	0.000			
	mle-/mle-	1	23.901	170.434					
		2	23.827	158.044					
mir-283	mle-/mle+	1	25.142	100.816	0.740	-0.435	-0.430	0.008	0.0040
		2	24.812	102.914	0.745	-0.425			
	mle-/mle-	1	24.788	124.474					
		2	24.510	120.380					
mir-304	mle-/mle+	1	30.746	96.522	0.636	-0.652	-0.739	0.123	0.0031
		2	31.004	99.139	0.564	-0.826			
	mle-/mle-	1	30.568	102.559					
		2	31.168	87.778					
mir-12	mle-/mle+	1	21.652	101.133	0.532	-0.910	-0.946	0.051	0.0003
		2	21.533	100.745	0.506	-0.983			
	mle-/mle-	1	21.869	89.833					
		2	21.882	80.045					
mir-979	mle-/mle+	1	36.290	101.068	0.730	-0.454	-0.635	0.257	0.0203
		2	35.292	102.616	0.568	-0.817			
	mle-/mle-	1	36.064	123.209					
		2	35.753	91.460					
mir-210	mle-/mle+	1	29.642	107.507	0.782	-0.355	-0.182	0.244	0.2301
		2	29.573	109.561	0.994	-0.009			
	mle-/mle-	1	29.288	140.360					
		2	29.094	170.943					
U6	mle-/mle+	1	18.185	99.069	0.883	-0.180	0.098	0.393	0.3556
		2	18.095	99.106	1.298	0.376			
	mle-/mle-	1	17.555	146.012					
		2	17.022	201.962					

a-e as in Table S11.

TABLE S16: Abundance of miRNAs in *mle* mutant L3 larvae

	Genotype	Exp.	Average Ct ^a	Corrected amount ^b	Fold Difference (FD) ^c	log2 (FD)	Average log2(FD)	SD ^d	p value ^e
Dspt4	mle-/mle+	1	25.034	81.970	1.000	0.000			
		2	24.991	76.150	1.000	0.000			
	mle-/mle-	1	25.047	81.265					
		2	24.697	90.724					
mir-283	mle-/mle+	1	26.352	48.723	0.807	-0.309	-0.165	0.204	0.2143
		2	26.170	46.630	0.986	-0.021			
	mle-/mle-	1	26.717	38.996					
		2	25.887	54.769					
mir-304	mle-/mle+	1	33.859	16.253	1.264	0.338	0.117	0.313	0.2913
		2	33.412	15.797	0.930	-0.104			
	mle-/mle-	1	33.445	20.368					
		2	33.277	17.510					
mir-12	mle-/mle+	1	24.132	19.072	0.892	-0.165	-0.164	0.002	0.0126
		2	24.135	18.169	0.894	-0.162			
	mle-/mle-	1	24.311	16.868					
		2	24.037	19.341					
mir-979	mle-/mle+	1	32.007	1533.669	1.972	0.980	0.550	0.607	0.3187
		2	31.470	404.038	1.088	0.121			
	mle-/mle-	1	30.972	2998.693					
		2	30.760	523.538					
mir-210	mle-/mle+	1	26.990	1098.538	1.579	0.659	0.484	0.247	0.3002
		2	26.722	2357.685	1.239	0.309			
	mle-/mle-	1	26.467	1719.262					
		2	26.347	3479.985					
U6	mle-/mle+	1	16.909	227.810	1.506	0.591	0.559	0.046	0.3274
		2	16.978	208.576	1.440	0.526			
	mle-/mle-	1	16.296	340.231					
		2	16.160	357.836					

a-e as in Table S11.

Table S17: Levels of let-7 miRNA in adult females and males

Tissue		C_T let-7 ± StDev	C_T 2SrRNA ± StDev	ΔC_T (ΔC_T let-7 - ΔC_T 2SrRNA) ^a	$\Delta\Delta C_T$ (ΔC_T - ΔC_T control) ^b	Average $\Delta\Delta C_T$ ± StDev	Fold Difference ^c
Female carcasses	Exp 1	25.33±0.30	6.14±0.24	19.19±0.39	0.00±0.39	0.00±0.28	1.00 (0.82 - 1.22)
	Exp 2	26.35±0.30	8.29±0.36	18.06±0.47	0.00±0.47		
Germaria	Exp 1	22.18±0.18	6.29±0.09	15.90±0.20	3.29±0.20	-2.24±0.11	4.72 (4.38 - 5.09) p=7.76x10 ^{-6***}
	Exp 2	22.35±0.05	7.72±0.11	14.63±0.12	3.43±0.12		
Male carcasses	Exp 1	22.71±0.11	7.10±0.03	15.61±0.12	3.58±0.12	-1.92±0.09	3.79 (3.57 - 4.02) p=1.55x10 ^{-6***}
	Exp 2	23.68±0.08	7.80±0.12	15.88±0.14	2.18±0.14		
Testes	Exp 1	21.14±0.26	6.56±0.03	14.58±0.26	4.61±0.26	-2.89±0.12	7.43 (6.84 - 8.07) p=7.73x10 ^{-8***}
	Exp 2	22.40±0.05	8.41±0.09	13.99±0.10	4.07±0.10		

a: ΔC_T was determined by subtracting the average 2SrRNA C_T value from the average Experimental C_T value. The standard deviation of the difference is calculated from the standard deviation of the Experimental and 2SrRNA values using the formula $s = \sqrt{(s_1^2 + s_2^2)}$ where s = standard deviation

b: $\Delta\Delta C_T$ is calculated by subtracting the ΔC_T control value (ΔC_T of female carcasses). The standard deviation is the same as for ΔC_T

c: the fold difference between the Experimental Sample and the control is calculated by: $2^{\pm\Delta\Delta C_T}$ with $\Delta\Delta C_T$ -s and $\Delta\Delta C_T$ -s where s is the standard deviation of $\Delta\Delta C_T$ value. The fold difference of the experimental values was compared to the respective control. P-value was calculated using the two tailed Students t-test. *p<0.05. **p<0.005. ***p<0.0005

Table S18: Levels of sex specific mRNAs in $\Delta let-7$ females and males

Genotype		C_T <i>SxIF</i> \pm StDev	C_T <i>RpL32</i> \pm StDev	ΔC_T (ΔC_T <i>SxIF</i> - ΔC_T <i>RpL32</i>) ^a	$\Delta\Delta C_T$ (ΔC_T - ΔC_T _{control}) ^b	Fold Difference ^c
Females	Control: <i>let-7-C</i> Rescue	16.15 \pm 0.22	11.32 \pm 0.12	4.83 \pm 0.25	0.00 \pm 0.25	1.00 (0.840-1.190)
	$\Delta let-7$	15.95 \pm 0.03	11.16 \pm 0.09	4.78 \pm 0.25	-0.05 \pm 0.09	1.033 (0.969-1.102) p=0.70
Males	Control: <i>let-7-C</i> Rescue	21.48 \pm 0.12	12.28 \pm 0.16	9.21 \pm 0.20	0.00 \pm 0.20	1.00 (0.872-1.147)
	$\Delta let-7$	18.89 \pm 0.09	12.20 \pm 0.22	6.69 \pm 0.23	-2.51 \pm 0.23	5.704 (4.853-6.705) 1.73x10 ^{-4***}
Genotype		C_T <i>tra1</i> \pm StDev	C_T <i>RpL32</i> \pm StDev	ΔC_T (ΔC_T <i>tra1</i> - ΔC_T <i>RpL32</i>) ^a	$\Delta\Delta C_T$ (ΔC_T - ΔC_T _{control}) ^b	Fold Difference ^c
Females	Control: <i>let-7-C</i> Rescue	21.30 \pm 0.13	11.32 \pm 0.12	9.98 \pm 0.17	0.00 \pm 0.17	1.00 (0.886-1.129)
	$\Delta let-7$	20.72 \pm 0.14	11.16 \pm 0.09	9.56 \pm 0.16	-0.42 \pm 0.16	1.334 (1.190-1.495) p=0.06
Males	Control: <i>let-7-C</i> Rescue	29.84 \pm 0.03	12.28 \pm 0.16	17.57 \pm 0.16	0.00 \pm 0.16	1.00 (0.896-1.116)
	$\Delta let-7$	29.66 \pm 0.09	12.20 \pm 0.22	17.46 \pm 0.23	-0.11 \pm 0.23	1.079 (0.917-1.270) p=0.40
Genotype		C_T <i>DsxM</i> \pm StDev	C_T <i>RpL32</i> \pm StDev	ΔC_T (ΔC_T <i>DsxM</i> - ΔC_T <i>RpL32</i>) ^a	$\Delta\Delta C_T$ (ΔC_T - ΔC_T _{control}) ^b	Fold Difference ^c
Females	Control: <i>let-7-C</i> Rescue	25.23 \pm 0.09	11.32 \pm 0.12	13.90 \pm 0.15	0.00 \pm 0.15	1.00 (0.900-1.111)
	$\Delta let-7$	25.69 \pm 0.05	11.16 \pm 0.09	14.52 \pm 0.10	0.62 \pm 0.10	0.649 (0.605-0.697) p=1.83x10 ^{-3**}
Males	Control: <i>let-7-C</i> Rescue	17.89 \pm 0.33	12.28 \pm 0.16	5.61 \pm 0.37	0.00 \pm 0.37	1.00 (0.950-1.052)
	$\Delta let-7$	17.94 \pm 0.03	12.20 \pm 0.22	5.74 \pm 0.22	0.30 \pm 0.17	0.914 (0.786-1.062) 0.75

Genotype		C_T <i>Yp1</i> ± StDev	C_T <i>RpL32</i> ± StDev	ΔC_T (ΔC_T <i>Yp1</i> - ΔC_T <i>RpL32</i>) ^a	$\Delta\Delta C_T$ (ΔC_T - ΔC_T control) ^b	Fold Difference ^c
Females	Control: <i>let-7-C</i> Rescue	10.33±0.07	11.32±0.12	-1.00±0.14	0.00±0.14	1.00 (0.908-1.101)
	Δ <i>let-7</i>	12.93±0.10	11.16±0.09	1.77±0.13	2.76±0.13	0.147 (0.134-0.162) p=3.29x10 ^{-6***}
Males	Control: <i>let-7-C</i> Rescue	25.99±0.05	12.28±0.16	13.71±0.16	0.00±0.16	1.00 (0.894-1.119)
	Δ <i>let-7</i>	25.01±0.13	12.20±0.22	12.81±0.25	-0.90±0.25	1.867 (1.568-2.223) p=9.85x10 ^{-4**}

a: ΔC_T was determined by subtracting the average *RpL32* C_T value from the average Experimental C_T value. The standard deviation of the difference is calculated from the standard deviation of the Experimental and *RpL32* values using the formula $s = \sqrt{(s_1^2 + s_2^2)}$ where s = standard deviation

b: $\Delta\Delta C_T$ is calculated by subtracting the ΔC_T control. The standard deviation is the same as for ΔC_T

c: the fold difference between the Experimental Sample and the control is calculated by: $2^{-\Delta\Delta C_T}$ with $\Delta\Delta C_T + s$ and $\Delta\Delta C_T - s$ where s is the standard deviation of $\Delta\Delta C_T$ value. The fold difference of the experimental values was compared to the respective control. P-value was calculated using the two tailed Students t-test. *p<0.05, **p<0.005. ***p<0.0005

Table S19: *let-7* expression depends on ecdysone signaling in adult ovaries and testes

	Genotype, conditions	C_T <i>let-7</i> ± StDev ^a	C_T <i>RpL32</i> ± StDev	ΔC_T (ΔC_T <i>let-7</i> - ΔC_T <i>RpL32</i>) ^a	$\Delta\Delta C_T$ (ΔC_T - $\Delta C_T^{\text{control}}$) ^b	Fold Difference ^c	Relative change of <i>let-7</i> levels ^d
Females	<i>OregonR</i> , 4d at 18°C	25.88±0.16	14.13±0.21	11.74±0.06	0.00±0.06	1.00 (0.96-1.04)	1.00 (0.88-1.13)
	<i>OregonR</i> , 4d at 29°C	25.00±0.04	14.39±0.17	10.58±0.18	-1.16±0.18	2.24 (1.98-2.54) p=2.01x10 ^{-5***}	
	<i>ecd1^{ts 4210}</i> , 4d at 18°C	24.07±0.04	13.42±0.28	10.65±0.05	0.00±0.05	1.00 (0.97-1.03)	0.38 (0.37-0.38) p=2.44x10 ^{-4***}
	<i>ecd1^{ts 4210}</i> , 4d at 29°C	24.80±0.15	13.96±0.45	10.92±0.001	0.27±0.001	0.84 (0.84-0.84) p=0.14	
	Genotype, conditions	C_T <i>let-7</i> ± StDev	C_T <i>S2rRNA</i> ± StDev	ΔC_T (ΔC_T <i>let-7</i> - ΔC_T <i>S2rRNA</i>) ^a	$\Delta\Delta C_T$ (ΔC_T - $\Delta C_T^{\text{control}}$) ^b	Fold Difference ^c	Relative change of <i>let-7</i> levels ^d
Males	<i>OregonR</i> , 4d at 18°C	22.90±0.03	8.41±0.11	14.49±0.13	0.00±0.13	1.00 (0.91-1.09)	1.00 (0.92-1.08)
	<i>OregonR</i> , 4d at 29°C	22.55±0.03	8.35±0.12	14.20±0.12	-0.29±0.12	1.23 (1.14-1.33) p=0.02*	
	<i>ecd1^{ts 4210}</i> , 4d at 18°C	22.13±0.55	8.33±0.09	13.80±0.15	0.00±0.15	1.00 (0.90-1.11)	0.24 (0.23-0.25) p=1.77x10 ^{-4***}
	<i>ecd1^{ts 4210}</i> , 4d at 29°C	23.49±0.02	7.87±0.11	15.64±0.08	1.85±0.08	0.29 (0.28-0.31) p=3.59x10 ^{-4***}	

a: ΔC_T values were determined by subtracting the average *RpL32* or *2SrRNA* C_T value from the average Experimental C_T value. The standard deviation of the difference is calculated from the standard deviation of the Experimental and *RpL32* or *2SrRNA* values using the formula $s = \sqrt{(s_1^2 + s_2^2)}$ where s = standard deviation

b: $\Delta\Delta C_T$ is calculated by subtracting the ΔC_T control value (ΔC_T of the respective genotype at 18°C). The standard deviation is the same as for ΔC_T

c: the fold difference between the Experimental Sample and the control is calculated by: $2^{-\Delta\Delta C_T}$ with $\Delta\Delta C_T + s$ and $\Delta\Delta C_T - s$ where s is the standard deviation of $\Delta\Delta C_T$ value. The fold difference of the experimental values was compared to the respective control. P-value between ΔC_T values of the experiments was calculated using the two tailed Students t-test

d: The relative changes of *let-7* levels were calculated by dividing the fold difference ranges of *ecd1^{ts}* and *OrR*. Students T-test was used to compare the relative changes *p<0.05, **p<0.005

Table S20: Levels of sex specific mRNAs are misregulated upon ecdysone deficit

Genotype, conditions		C_T <i>DsxM</i> ± StDev	C_T <i>Rpl32</i> ± StDev	ΔC_T (ΔC_T <i>DsxM</i> - ΔC_T <i>Rpl32</i>) ^a	$\Delta\Delta C_T$ (ΔC_T - ΔC_T control) ^b	Fold Difference ^c	
Females	Control: <i>OrR</i>	18°C	26.20±0.07	15.40±0.20	10.80±0.21	0.00±0.21	1.00 (0.866-1.155)
	<i>OrR</i>	29°C	26.34±0.01	13.95±0.03	12.39±0.03	1.58±0.03	0.334 (0.326-0.341) p=3.73x10 ^{-3**}
	Control: <i>ecd1^{ts}</i>	18°C	26.41±0.07	13.69±0.07	12.72±0.10	0.00±0.10	1.00 (0.935-1.070)
	<i>ecd1^{ts}</i>	29°C	25.88±0.12	14.36±0.07	11.52±0.14	-1.20±0.14	2.299 (2.081-2.539) 2.59x10 ^{-4***}
Males	Control: <i>OrR</i>	18°C	17.84±0.04	15.67±0.15	2.17±0.16	0.00±0.16	1.00 (0.896-1.116)
	<i>OrR</i>	29°C	18.17±0.06	15.45±0.29	2.72±0.30	0.55±0.30	0.681 (0.553-0.838) p=0.06
	Control: <i>ecd1^{ts}</i>	18°C	18.40±0.02	15.77±0.20	2.63±0.20	0.00±0.20	1.00 (0.868-1.152)
	<i>ecd1^{ts}</i>	29°C	18.04±0.05	14.60±0.14	3.45±0.25	0.81±0.15	0.569 (0.511-0.633) p=7.97x10 ^{-3*}

Genotype, conditions		C_T <i>Esg</i> ± StDev	C_T <i>Rpl32</i> ± StDev	ΔC_T (ΔC_T <i>Esg</i> - ΔC_T <i>Rpl32</i>) ^a	$\Delta\Delta C_T$ (ΔC_T - ΔC_T control) ^b	Fold Difference ^c	
Females	Control: <i>OrR</i>	18°C	29.30±0.09	15.40±0.20	13.90±0.22	0.00±0.22	1.00 (0.862-1.161)
	<i>OrR</i>	29°C	27.90±0.08	13.95±0.03	13.94±0.09	0.04±0.09	0.970 (0.912-1.032) p=0.81
	Control: <i>ecd1^{ts}</i>	18°C	24.39±0.28	13.69±0.07	10.70±0.28	0.00±0.28	1.00 (0.821-1.218)
	<i>ecd1^{ts}</i>	29°C	24.69±0.22	14.36±0.07	10.33±0.24	-0.37±0.24	1.293 (1.097-1.523) p=0.07
Males	Control: <i>OrR</i>	18°C	26.86±0.05	15.67±0.15	11.19±0.16	0.00±0.16	1.00 (0.894-1.119)
	<i>OrR</i>	29°C	27.48±0.00 ₃	15.45±0.29	12.03±0.29	0.84±0.29	0.559 (0.456-0.685) p=0.55
	Control: <i>ecd1^{ts}</i>	18°C	25.89±0.02	15.77±0.20	10.12±0.20	0.00±0.20	1.00 (0.868-1.152)
	<i>ecd1^{ts}</i>	29°C	25.34±0.13	14.60±0.14	10.75±0.20	0.63±0.20	0.648 (0.566-0.742) p=8.77x10 ^{-3*}

Genotype, conditions		C_T <i>SxIF11</i> ± StDev	C_T <i>Rpl32</i> ± StDev	ΔC_T (ΔC_T <i>SxIF11</i> - ΔC_T <i>Rpl32</i>) ^a	$\Delta\Delta C_T$ (ΔC_T - ΔC_T control) ^b	Fold Difference ^c	
Females	Control: <i>OrR</i>	18°C	17.81±0.08	15.40±0.20	2.41±0.21	0.00±0.21	1.00 (0.864-1.158)
	<i>OrR</i>	29°C	15.96±0.16	13.95±0.03	2.00±0.16	-0.41±0.16	1.330 (1.189-1.487) p=5.00x10 ^{-2*}
	Control: <i>ecd1^{ts}</i>	18°C	16.02±0.04	13.69±0.07	2.33±0.08	0.00±0.08	1.00 (0.947-1.056)
	<i>ecd1^{ts}</i>	29°C	16.18±0.16	14.36±0.07	1.82±0.17	-0.51±0.17	1.424 (1.262-1.607) p=1.64x10 ^{-3**}
Males	Control: <i>OrR</i>	18°C	21.05±0.12	15.67±0.15	5.38±0.20	0.00±	1.00 (0.873-1.146)
	<i>OrR</i>	29°C	21.44±0.07	15.45±0.29	5.99±0.30	0.61±	0.653 (0.530-0.805) p=0.15
	Control: <i>ecd1^{ts}</i>	18°C	22.24±0.12	15.77±0.20	6.47±0.24	0.00±	1.00 (0.848-1.179)
	<i>ecd1^{ts}</i>	29°C	19.38±0.07	14.60±0.14	4.78±0.16	-1.69±	3.222 (2.883-3.600) p=9.13x10 ^{-3**}

Genotype, conditions		C_T <i>tra1</i> ± StDev	C_T <i>Rpl32</i> ± StDev	ΔC_T (ΔC_T <i>tra1</i> - ΔC_T <i>Rpl32</i>) ^a	$\Delta\Delta C_T$ (ΔC_T - ΔC_T control) ^b	Fold Difference ^c	
Females	Control: <i>OrR</i>	18°C	21.04±0.05	15.40±0.20	5.64±0.20	0.00±0.20	1.00 (0.868-1.152)
	<i>OrR</i>	29°C	19.87±0.11	13.95±0.03	5.92±0.11	0.28±0.11	0.826 (0.765-0.891) p=0.14
	Control: <i>ecd1^{ts}</i>	18°C	20.01±0.08	13.69±0.07	6.32±0.11	0.00±0.11	1.00 (0.927-1.079)
	<i>ecd1^{ts}</i>	29°C	20.69±0.11	14.36±0.07	6.33±0.13	0.008±0.13	0.994 (0.909-1.088) p=0.93
Males	Control: <i>OrR</i>	18°C	28.84±0.09	15.67±0.15	13.18±0.18	0.00±0.18	1.00 (0.885-1.129)
	<i>OrR</i>	29°C	28.67±0.05	15.45±0.29	13.22±0.30	0.05±0.30	0.969 (0.789-1.190) p=0.73
	Control: <i>ecd1^{ts}</i>	18°C	28.69±0.12	15.77±0.20	12.92±0.23	0.00±0.23	1.00 (0.850-1.176)
	<i>ecd1^{ts}</i>	29°C	23.68±0.06	14.60±0.14	9.08±0.16	-3.84±0.16	14.277 (12.801-15.924) p=1.76x10 ^{-5***}

Genotype, conditions		C_T <i>Yp1</i> ± StDev	C_T <i>Rpl32</i> ± StDev	ΔC_T (ΔC_T <i>Yp1</i> - ΔC_T <i>Rpl32</i>) ^a	$\Delta\Delta C_T$ (ΔC_T - ΔC_T control) ^b	Fold Difference ^c	
Females	Control: <i>OrR</i>	18°C	12.33±0.14	15.40±0.20	-3.07±0.24	0.00±0.24	1.00 (0.846-1.182)
	<i>OrR</i>	29°C	11.21±0.23	13.95±0.03	-2.74±0.23	0.33±0.23	0.794 (0.678-0.930) p=0.12
	Control: <i>ecd1^{ts}</i>	18°C	10.86±0.31	13.69±0.07	-2.82±0.32	0.00±0.32	1.00 (0.800-1.249)
	<i>ecd1^{ts}</i>	29°C	11.24±0.20	14.36±0.07	-3.12±0.21	-0.30±0.21	1.231 (1.061-1.428) p=0.15
Males	Control: <i>OrR</i>	18°C	26.15±0.11	15.67±0.15	10.48±0.19	0.00±0.19	1.00 (0.876-1.142)
	<i>OrR</i>	29°C	25.57±0.03	15.45±0.29	10.12±0.29	-0.36±0.29	1.285 (1.048-1.576) p=0.14
	Control: <i>ecd1^{ts}</i>	18°C	24.63±0.08	15.77±0.20	8.86±0.22	0.00±0.22	1.00 (0.86-1.163)
	<i>ecd1^{ts}</i>	29°C	16.76±0.06	14.60±0.14	2.16±0.16	-6.702±0.16	104.080 (93.395-115.987) p=3.22x10 ⁻⁶ ***

a: ΔC_T was determined by subtracting the average *Rpl32* C_T value from the average Experimental C_T value. Since the same set of samples was used for all PCRs, the same *Rpl32* C_T values are used as internal control. The standard deviation of the difference is calculated from the standard deviation of the Experimental and *Rpl32* values using the formula $s = \sqrt{(s_1^2 + s_2^2)}$ where s = standard deviation.

b: $\Delta\Delta C_T$ is calculated by subtracting the ΔC_T control value (ΔC_T of the sample of the respective sex and genotype at 18°C). The standard deviation is the same as for ΔC_T .

c: the fold difference between the Experimental Sample and the control is calculated by: $2^{-\Delta\Delta C_T}$ with $\Delta\Delta C_T + s$ and $\Delta\Delta C_T - s$ where s is the standard deviation of $\Delta\Delta C_T$ value. The fold difference of the experimental values was compared to the respective control. P-value was calculated using the two tailed Students t-test. *p<0.05, **p<0.005. ***p<0.0005.

Table S21. Ecdysteroid deficit leads to differentiation defects in the CySC lineage cells in adult testes

Genotype, conditions	Clustering of somatic cyst cells				Appearance of epithelium-like clusters			
	< 5 cells	≥ 5 cells	> 10 cells	P value	None	Apical	Lateral	P value
Control: <i>ecd^{1ts}</i> , 5 days, 18°	40%	60%	0%		100%	0%	0%	
<i>ecd^{1ts}</i> , 5 days, 29°	7%	57%	36%	0.0368*	43%	43%	14%	0.0137*
Control: <i>ecd^{1ts}</i> , 11 days, 18°	50%	50%	0%		83%	17%	0%	
<i>ecd^{1ts}</i> , 11 days, 29°	17%	8%	75%	0.0113*	0%	50%	50%	0.0001***

To calculate the significance two-way tables and chi-squared test with 2 degrees of freedom were used. The frequencies of the testes with the somatic cell clustering phenotype (<5, ≥ 5 or >10 somatic cell in the cluster) and the frequencies of the testes with epithelial sheets (none, apical or lateral) acquired by induction of ecdysone deficit for 5d or 11d at the restrictive temperature (29°) were compared to the frequencies of the same phenotypes in flies with the same genotype but kept for the same periods of time (5d or 11d) at the permissive temperature (18°). N=10-20 testes for each genotype. *p<0.05, **p<0.005. ***p<0.0005.

TABLE S22: Ranked abundance of miRNAs in each sexed library (Complete list)

Chrom	Late embryo Lymphoid Cells				L3 Larvae Salivary Glands				Adult Head				Adult Body				Adult Gonads			
	miRNA	S2 M (%)	miRNA	Kc F (%)	S. Gland M (%)		S. Gland F (%)		Head M (%)		Head F (%)		Body M (%)		Body F (%)		Testis			
					miRNA	(%)	miRNA	(%)	miRNA	(%)	miRNA	(%)	miRNA	(%)	miRNA	(%)	miRNA	(%)	miRNA	(%)
chr2R	mir-14	38.35286	mir-14	29.10042	mir-8	32.42188	mir-8	35.66808	mir-8	14.57004	mir-8	11.43554	mir-1	25.56082	mir-1	26.75240	mir-12	16.87054	mir-989	18.37262
chr2R	mir-184	11.34536	mir-184	16.37821	mir-263a	10.45437	mir-12	8.49222	mir-1	9.99692	mir-1	8.17673	mir-8	23.01229	mir-8	25.64450	mir-8	15.35016	bantam	11.43364
chr3L	bantam	7.44158	mir-263a	4.44288	mir-375	7.52355	bantam	7.75277	bantam	8.19215	mir-276a	7.62653	bantam	12.55761	bantam	9.78819	mir-305	5.03802	mir-8	9.30021
chr3R	mir-996	4.85129	mir-8	4.14932	mir-12	6.25415	mir-375	6.71742	mir-276a	5.81087	bantam	7.13572	mir-276a	4.65975	mir-276	5.02046	mir-959	4.67717	mir-2a	7.25212
chr3R	mir-279	3.46812	bantam	4.07801	mir-304	5.72874	mir-282	6.30407	mir-276	5.39112	mir-210	4.99725	mir-277	3.91230	mir-276a	4.27473	mir-2a	3.85408	mir-318	7.24950
chr3R	mir-11	3.29268	mir-34	3.39610	mir-275	5.19227	mir-304	6.00679	mir-277	4.66334	mir-277	4.90334	mir-276	2.46689	mir-2a	2.93279	let-7	3.13374	mir-184	6.40474
chr3R	mir-34	2.93382	mir-988	3.37195	bantam	4.71150	bantam	4.82103	mir-184	4.05515	mir-184	4.17368	mir-2a	2.19543	mir-277	2.68239	mir-34	3.10799	mir-996	5.91867
chr2R	mir-988	2.89604	mir-317	3.14547	mir-2a	3.04332	mir-11	2.45542	mir-34	3.57697	mir-34	3.61372	mir-996	1.54310	mir-989	1.76169	mir-282	3.00171	mir-2b	3.30079
chr3L	mir-282	2.84211	mir-2b	3.10880	mir-305	2.73388	mir-13b	2.44753	mir-2b	3.41702	mir-14	3.20424	let-7	1.48826	mir-282	1.68466	mir-964	2.74226	mir-994	3.00554
chr3R	mir-252	2.78986	mir-276	2.30014	mir-2b	2.43359	mir-305	1.92719	mir-2a	3.22916	mir-285	2.95344	mir-9a	1.48086	mir-31a	1.48123	mir-277	2.58692	mir-275	2.61547
chr3R	mir-13b	2.42533	mir-996	2.29723	mir-13b	1.98678	mir-2a	1.91021	mir-285	3.21797	mir-2a	2.92097	mir-14	1.34500	mir-2b	1.20586	mir-11	2.50748	mir-13b	2.19972
chr2L	mir-2b	2.09460	mir-279	2.25699	mir-11	1.91047	mir-2b	1.55036	mir-14	2.46292	mir-2b	2.73268	mir-31a	1.27792	mir-9a	1.18265	mir-978	2.29276	mir-9b	2.19650
chr3R	mir-317	1.92167	mir-13b	2.19551	mir-283	1.78685	mir-283	1.53792	mir-210	2.26200	mir-276	2.17511	mir-282	1.19888	mir-996	1.08039	mir-977	2.19598	mir-263a	1.46179
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chr3L	mir-289	0.00000	mir-1005	0.00000	mir-927	0.00000	mir-309	0.00000	mir-978	0.00016	mir-968	0.00014	mir-2a-1	0.00108	mir-193	0.00013	mir-2b-1	0.00054	mir-263b	0.00000
chr2L	mir-305-as	0.00000	mir-1011	0.00000	mir-955	0.00000	mir-310	0.00000	mir-994	0.00016	mir-978	0.00014	mir-979	0.00108	mir-2281	0.00013	mir-1000	0.00027	mir-275-as	0.00000
chr3L	mir-314	0.00000	mir-1014	0.00000	mir-956	0.00000	mir-311	0.00000	mir-lab-4	0.00016	mir-982	0.00014	mir-1016	0.00093	mir-286	0.00013	mir-1017	0.00027	mir-276b	0.00000
chr3L	mir-315	0.00000	mir-1015	0.00000	mir-958	0.00000	mir-312	0.00000	mir-1004-as	0.00008	mir-994	0.00014	mir-5	0.00072	mir-287	0.00013	mir-13b-2	0.00027	mir-285	0.00000
chr3L	mir-316	0.00000	mir-1017	0.00000	mir-959	0.00000	mir-313	0.00000	mir-275-as	0.00008	mir-310	0.00009	mir-193	0.00062	mir-289	0.00013	mir-219	0.00027	mir-286	0.00000
chr2L	mir-87	0.00000	mir-13b-1	0.00000	mir-960	0.00000	mir-315	0.00000	mir-303	0.00008	mir-311	0.00009	mir-2279	0.00062	mir-3	0.00013	mir-2283	0.00027	mir-287	0.00000
chrX	mir-927	0.00000	mir-219	0.00000	mir-961	0.00000	mir-31b	0.00000	mir-311	0.00008	mir-967	0.00009	mir-990	0.00041	mir-303	0.00013	mir-983-1	0.00027	mir-289	0.00000
chr3L	mir-955	0.00000	mir-2280	0.00000	mir-963	0.00000	mir-6	0.00000	mir-318	0.00008	mir-974	0.00009	mir-307-as	0.00031	mir-305-as	0.00013	mir-993	0.00027	mir-307-as	0.00000
chr3L	mir-956	0.00000	mir-2281	0.00000	mir-964	0.00000	mir-927	0.00000	mir-982	0.00008	mir-976	0.00009	mir-286	0.00026	mir-307-as	0.00013	let-7-as	0.00000	mir-309	0.00000
chr3L	mir-957	0.00000	mir-2283	0.00000	mir-967	0.00000	mir-955	0.00000	mir-985	0.00008	mir-lab-4	0.00009	mir-966	0.00026	mir-973	0.00013	mir-1-as	0.00000	mir-315	0.00000
chr2L	mir-959	0.00000	mir-274	0.00000	mir-968	0.00000	mir-959	0.00000	mir-989	0.00008	mir-1015	0.00005	mir-13b-1	0.00021	mir-974	0.00013	mir-1002	0.00000	mir-375	0.00000
chr2L	mir-960	0.00000	mir-275-as	0.00000	mir-969	0.00000														