Supporting Information

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SI Experimental Procedures

Chromatin Preparation. A modification of the protocol described in ref. 1 as used to prepare cross-linked chromatin from embryonic progeny from parents of wild-type (Ore R) flies at 25 °C. One- to 3.5-h embryos were collected, dechorionated in 50% bleach, washed in PBS (150 mM sodium chloride (NaCl), 10 mM sodium phosphate, pH 7.6) and 0.1% Triton X-100 (PBST), and then ground in homogenization buffer (50 mM Hepes at pH 7.6, 60 mM potassium chloride, 0.25 M sucrose, protease arrest) (786-108; G Biosciences). The homogenate was first clarified by centrifugation at $500 \times g$ for 6 min before the addition of formaldehyde to 1% and a 15-min rotation. Glycine was added to a 250-mM final concentration followed by a 6-min spin at $3,000 \times g$. Cross-linked chromatin was then washed three times in PBS, resuspended in RIPA buffer (10 mM Hepes, pH 7.6, 1 mM ethylene diamine tetraacetic acid (EDTA), 0.5 mM ethylene glycol tetraacetic acid (EGTA), 140 mM NaCl, 1% Triton X-100, 0.1% Na-deoxycholate, 0.1% SDS), and sonicated to an average length of ~500 bp.

Chromatin Immunoprecipitations. Clarified chromatin from ~120 μ L of starting embryos was split into two and incubated with either anti-Dm or preimmune serum (1) (0.225 μ L each). Washes were performed as in Alekseyenko et al. (2). Immunoprecipitated material was eluted from the beads by incubation at 37 °C for 1 h in 500 μ L TE (1 mM EDTA, 10 mM Tris, pH 8.0) containing 0.5% SDS and proteinase K (0.1 mg/mL), followed by 12 h at 65 °C after the addition of NaCl to 0.3 M and SDS to 1%. Samples were then extracted twice with phenol/chloroform before ethanol precipitation in the presence of glycogen.

Protocol for Quantitative Real-Time PCR. The iCycler iQ real-time PCR detection system (Bio-Rad) was used to quantitate sequences

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in the precipitated DNA from each ChIP fraction. Primer pairs used for PPAN and Nop60b have been described (3). Sxl primers for -96 were 5'-GCC ACG TTC CAC CTT TCG GC-3' and 5'-TGC GCG TGC CAG TCG CGT GG-3' and +1,171 5'-GTG GTT ATC CCC CAT ATG GC-3' and 5'-GCC AAA GAG GTA TGG GTA GC-3'. To calculate relative enrichment of immune over nonimmune serum, the amount in the ChIP as a percentage of total was used. PCR amplification was performed in triplicate in 20 µL SYBR Green qPCR SuperMix (Bio-Rad) on two biological replicates of each ChIP fraction. Dissociation curve analysis was performed at the end of 40 cycles, and quantification was carried out by Bio-Rad comparative C_T methodology with standard curves constructed for each primer pair with a serial dilution of template DNA, which had PCR efficiencies of 87-97%. An unpaired t test was used to determine significance of differences between two samples using GraphPad.

Embryo Staining. Collected embryos 0- to 4-h old, paraformaldehyde fixed, were stained with anti-Sxl monoclonal m114 and m5 as described in ref 4. Embryos 0- to 2-h old, collected and then aged 5 h at 25 °C were fixed and stained for β -galactosidase as described in ref 5.

Fly Stocks. Most fly stocks are referenced in FlyBase. Stocks used were as follows: w(1)sc(3-1)/FM7c; y(1)w(1)Df(1)Sxl(7B0)/FM7c; y(1)w(1)sis-a(1)/FM7c; dpn(7)/CyO; Sxl(M4)/FM7c; w(1118); P{Sxl Pe3.0 lacZ}; w(1118); P{Sxl Pe0.4lacZ}; w(1118); P{Sxl Pe0.4GOFlacZ}; w(1)snf(1621); Df(1)N71/FM6, y[31d] sc[8] dm [1] B[1]; Df(1)Pgd-kz/FM6, dm[+]; dm(1)/FM7c; w(1)dm(P0)/FM7c; dm(P1)/FM7c; hairy-GAL-4/TM3ser.

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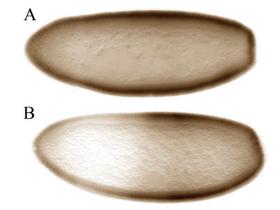


Fig. S1. Sxl expression depends on *dm*. Progeny of wild-type parents or of $dm^{1}/+$ mothers crossed to dm^{1}/Y fathers were probed with Sxl antibody. Two equal classes of embryos are seen in wild type: no Sxl (male) and (A) a high uniform level of Sxl (female). As in wild type, approximately one-half (48%) of the embryos from the *dm* cross were negative (male). The Sxl⁺ embryos fell into three classes: class I, 13% had a uniform but intermediate level of Sxl compared to wild type; class 2, 15% had an intermediate level of Sxl but the distribution was patchy; and class 3 (B), 24% had a low level of Sxl and the distribution was patchy. On the basis of the frequency of the different classes (and the classes seen when WT females are mated to dm^{1} males), we believed that embryos in classes 1 and 2 are $dm^{1}/+$, whereas embryos in class 3 are dm^{1}/dm^{1} .

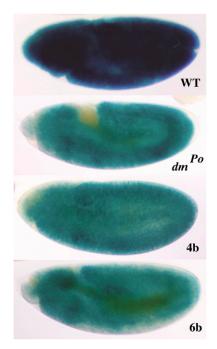


Fig. 52. SxI^{M4} suppresses the female lethal effects of dm^{P0} by a mechanism that bypasses the dm-dependent defects in *SxI-Pe* activity. The *hopper* transposon insertion into the male exon in SxI^{M4} mutation induces "constitutive" female-specific splicing of the late SxI-Pm premRNAs independent of SxI protein. However, the mutation has no effect on the expression or splicing of the SxI-Pe mRNAs. Thus, if the female lethal effects of dm arise, as we suppose, because the dMyc protein is required to activate SxI-Pe, SxI^{M4} must suppress these female lethal effects by a mechanism that bypasses the defects in SxI-Pe activity. To confirm that this is the case, we examined SxI-Pe activity in dm^{P0}/dm^{P0} SxI^{M4} female embryos. As shown for two of the recombinants, 4b and 6b, the defects in SxI-Pe activity evident in dm^{P0}/dm^{P0} are *still* present in the recombinants, even though they are fully female viable.

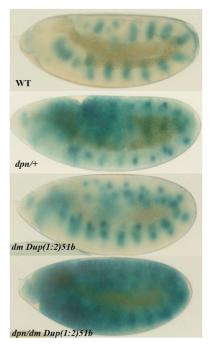


Fig. S3. Effects of changing relative dose of dpn and dm on $Sxl-Pe_{5xDbox}$ $Sxl-Pe_{5xDbox}$ drives only a very low level of LacZ expression in wild-type females. In embryos heterozygous for dpn^7 , where dm/dpn ratio is 2/1, $Sxl-Pe_{5xDbox}$ activity is up-regulated. In dm Dup(11:2)51b embryos, where the dm/dpn ratio is 3/2, there is a slight but noticeable increase in $Sxl-Pe_{5xDbox}$ activity. $Sxl-Pe_{5xDbox}$ drives a much higher level of LacZ expression in dpn/dm Dup(11:2)51b embryos where the ratio of dm/dpn is 3/1.

Table S1. *dm* alleles are female lethal when *trans* to a deficiency or with each other

	% viability
dm ^{P0} /Df(1)dm75319	61 (<i>n</i> = 78)
dm ^{P1} /Df(1)dm75319	21 (<i>n</i> = 138)
dm ¹ /Df(1)dm75319	0 (<i>n</i> = 143)
dm ¹ /dm ^{P0}	78 (<i>n</i> = 196)

Percentage surviving dm/Df or dm^{1}/dm female progeny relative to their dm/Bal sibs. N indicates the number of dm/Bal females scored.

Table S2. The constitutively active SxI^{M4} mutation rescues the female lethal effects of the dm^{PO} mutation

	% viability	n	Female sterile
dm ^{P0} / dm ^{P0}	35	646	Yes
<i>dm^{P0}/ dm^{P0}</i> M4 4b	98	824	Yes
<i>dm^{P0}/ dm^{P0}</i> M4 5b	90	506	Yes
<i>dm^{P0}/ dm^{P0}</i> M4 6b	108	238	Yes
<i>dm^{P0}/ dm^{P0}</i> M4 8b	102	287	Yes

Eleven independent dm^{PO} Sxl^{M4} recombinants were isolated and balanced over FM7. Females from the parental dmP0/FM7 stock and recombinant dm^{PO}SxI^{M4}/FM7 stocks were crossed to dm^{PO}/Y males and the viability of the *dm/dm* females relative to their *dm/FM7* sibs determined. All of the lines gave results similar to those for the four lines shown in this table. For these four lines, we outcrossed the SxI^{M4} allele and recovered the dm^{P0} chromosome as a male viable derivative. For each of these four Sxl^{M4} lines, several independent outcrossed recombinants (2-5) were tested for female lethal effects. As was observed for the parental dm^{PO} chromosome, these Sxl^+ recombinants are once again female lethal as homozygotes. To further confirm that all 11 $SxI^{M4}dm^{P0}$ recombinants actually carried dm^{P0} , we tested for the surviving $dm^{PO} Sxl^{M4}/dm^{PO}$ females from the test cross for fertility sterile. As is true for dm^{PO}/dm^{PO} females, the surviving dm^{PO} Sxl^{M4}/ dm^{PO} females from each of the 11 recombinants were sterile. We also scored for the characteristic dm bristle phenotype. dm^{PO} Sxl^{M4}, dm^{PO} females from all 11 lines had this dm phenotype.

Table S3. Female lethal interactions between *dm* and other sex determination genes

Paternal	SxI ^{fP7BO} /Y	sc ³⁻¹ /Y	
Maternal genotype			
Df939/FM7	58% (398)	67% (763)	
dm ¹ /FM7	79% (682)	84% (1,559)	
dm ^{P0} /FM7	84% (2,145)	86% (349)	
dm ^{P1} /FM7	85% (567)	88% (2,030)	

For each cross, the paternal genotype is indicated in the top row and maternal genotype in the first column. The percentage of surviving *trans*-heterozygous females from each cross was calculated relative to the number of balancer females. The total number of flies is indicated in parentheses.

Table S4. Effects of *dm* on *SxI-Pe*_{0.4kb} activity

Maternal	Paternal	+++	++	+	-	N
w ¹ /w ¹	w ¹ /Y;0.4	45			55	239
dm¹/+	w ¹ /Y;0.4	22	24		53	439
dm¹/+	dm ¹ /Y;0.4		32		68	424
sc ³⁻¹ /+	dm ¹ /Y;0.4		13	14	73	191
upd ¹ /+	dm ¹ /Y;0.4		20	25	55	187
sisa/ +	dm ¹ /Y;0.4		15	23	64	159
dm ^{P1} /+	w ¹ /Y;0.4	24	24		52	327
dm ^{P1} /+	sc ³⁻¹ /Y; 0.4		21	25	54	441

*SxI-Pe*_{0.4kb} activity in the progeny from each of the indicated crosses. +++, high level of LacZ; ++, intermediate level; +, low level; -, none. *n* = number scored. Note that a "high" level of LacZ for *SxI-Pe*_{0.4kb} is a good deal less than a "high" level of LacZ for the larger *SxI-Pe*_{3.0kb} reporter. Some indication of the magnitude of the difference between the two reporters can be seen by comparing the female *SxI-Pe*_{0.4kb} embryo in Fig. 3 with the female *SxI-Pe*_{3.0kb} embryo in Fig. 1.

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