



**Supplementary information, Figure S9** (A) Predicted piRNA regulatory elements at the 3'UTRs of *Xrcc2*, *and Rad1*, and the sequences of synthetic piRNAs, negative control piRNA (Mut), and wild-type 3'UTR and mutated 3'UTR Mut luciferase reporters. Numbers on the lower part represent nucleotide positions from the start of each mRNA 3'UTR. The selected piRNAs for reporter assays (piR-mmu-170840 and piR-mmu-604682) were all absent in GC-2spd(ts) cells. (B) Comparison of *Rad1* and *Xrcc2* mRNA levels in *Miwi*<sup>-/ADH</sup> mouse testes relative to controls (data from GEO: GSE32180).