- 1 Long noncoding RNA expression profile changes
- 2 associated with dietary energy in the sheep testis
- **3 during sexual maturation**
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Table S1. Alignment of statistical results of reads.

Group	Sample	Effective reads	Total mapped	Multiple mapped	Uniquely mapped	Read1 mapped	Read2 mapped	Reads map to '+'	Reads map to '-'
Hay group (Hay)	Hay1	94,146,578(100%)	78,725,626(83.62%)	6,601,523(7.01%)	72,124,103(76.61%)	40,199,831(42.7%)	38,525,795(40.92%)	39,153,438(41.59%)	39,572,188(42.03%)
	Hay2	119,497,828(100%)	98,211,257(82.19%)	7,429,524(6.22%)	90,781,733(75.97%)	50,152,567(41.97%)	48,058,690(40.22%)	48,824,390(40.86%)	49,386,867(41.33%)
	Hay3	91,938,416(100%)	75,501,163(82.12%)	5,122,021(5.57%)	70,379,142(76.55%)	38,569,661(41.95%)	36,931,502(40.17%)	37,533,221(40.82%)	37,967,942(41.3%)
High grain group (HG)	HG1	98,143,376(100%)	83,794,371(85.38%)	4,749,342(4.84%)	79,045,029(80.54%)	43,016,784(43.83%)	40,777,587(41.55%)	41,656,028(42.44%)	42,138,343(42.94%)
	HG2	88,924,920(100%)	70,922,735(79.76%)	4,958,980(5.58%)	65,963,755(74.18%)	36,247,314(40.76%)	34,675,421(38.99%)	35,267,393(39.66%)	35,655,342(40.1%)
	HG3	104,347,880(100%)	87,386,506(83.75%)	7,016,186(6.72%)	80,370,320(77.02%)	44,683,751(42.82%)	42,702,755(40.92%)	43,435,681(41.63%)	43,950,825(42.12%)

<sup>15 1)</sup> Effective reads: The number of clean reads.

<sup>2)</sup> Total mapped: The number of sequences matched to the genome.

<sup>3)</sup> Multiple mapped: The number of sequences that had multiple positions mapped to the reference sequence.

<sup>4)</sup> Uniquely mapped: The number of sequences that had unique positions mapped to the reference sequence.

<sup>19 5)</sup> Read-1, Read-2 mapped: The number of read-1 and read-2 that locate on the genome; the statistical proportion of the two parts should be substantially the same.

<sup>20</sup> 6) Reads map to '+': The number of reads mapped to the positive strand of the genome.

<sup>21 7)</sup> Reads map to '-': The number of reads mapped to the negative strand of the genome.

Table S2. DE genes and co-expressed lncRNAs detected in different cell types during sheep spermatogenesis identified by referring to mouse RNA-seq data

G	ene Up-/dow.		Strand	Mouse chromosomal location	Cell-type location	cis or trans relationship	Co-expressed lncRNAs	Up-/down regulated	Chromosomal location	Strand
IL5RA	5DA Davin	Chr19	+	Chr6	priSG-A; plpSC;	trans	LOC105604050	Up	Chr21	+
	5RA Down	Chris			rST; eST	trans	LOC106991431	Down	Chr11	-
OAS2			-	Chr5	priSG-A; SG-A;	trans	LOC105610224	Down	Chr12	+
	AS2 Up	Chr17			SG-B; plpSC;	trans	LOC105613170	Down	Chr12	+
					pacSC; rST; eST					
PROZ			+	Chr8	priSG-A; SG-A;	cis	LOC105607399	Down	Chr10	-
	ROZ Down	Chr10			SG-B; plpSC;					
					pacSC; rST; eST					
TSHZ2			+	Chr2	priSG-A; SG-A;	cis	LOC105608654	Down	Chr13	-
	HZ2 Down	Chr13			SG-B; plpSC;					
					pacSC; rST; eST					

priSG-A, primitive type A spermatogonia; SG-A, type A spermatogonia; plpSC; SG-B, type B spermatogonia; plpSC, preleptotene spermatocytes; pacSC, pachytene spermatocytes; rST; round spermatids; eST, elongating spermatids.

Table S3. Diet formulas of the two groups.

Itama	Diet				
Item	Hay group	High grain group			
Ingred	dient composition %DM				
Oat hay	66.67	26.67			
Alfalfa	33.33	13.33			
Corn meal	0	34.2			
Wheat meal	0	18			
Soybean	0	4.2			
CaCO3	0	1.08			
NaCl, salt	0	0.42			
CaHPO4	0	1.2			
Mineral and vitamin	^	0.0			
supplement	0	0.9			
N	utrient composition				
Metabolic energy, MJ/kg DM	7.24	14.79			
Crude protein, % DM	12.30	12.04			
Crude fat, % DM	3.39	3.45			
Crude fiber, % DM	28.94	12.51			
Neutral detergent fiber, % DM	53.60	27.38			
Acid detergent fiber, % DM	33.41	15.57			
Crude ash, % DM	7.87	6.71			
Starch, % DM	2.03	31.58			
Ca, % DM	0.79	1.02			
P, % DM	0.30	0.49			

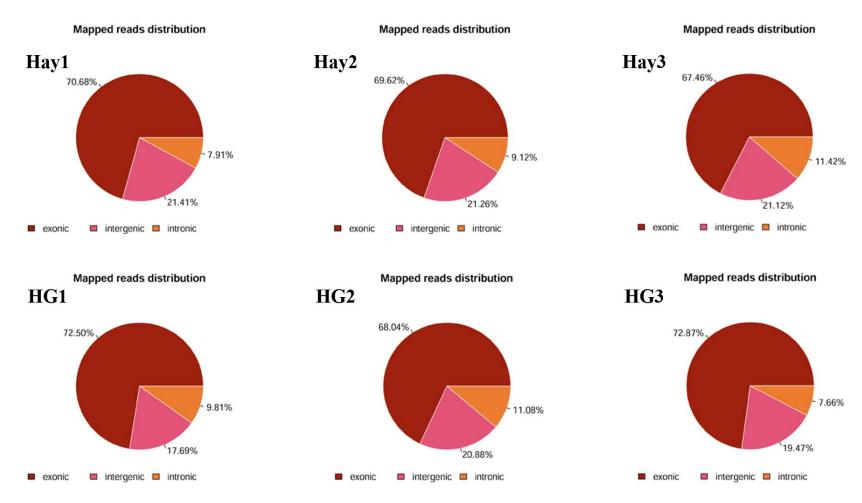
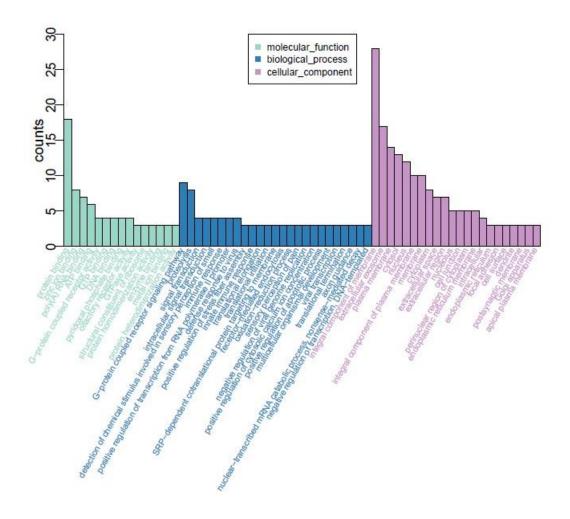


Fig. S1. Distribution of reads mapped to the genome. The brown, pink, and orange colors represent the exonic, intergenic, and intronic regions, respectively.

## proportion of transcripts 12% 28% 60% lincRNA antisense-lncRNA intronic-lncRNA

**Fig. S2. Classification and proportion of lncRNA transcripts.** The blue, red, and green colors represent lincRNA, antisense-lncRNA, and intronic-lncRNA, respectively.



**Fig. S3. GO enrichment analysis of DE genes.** The light-blue, dark-blue, and purple colors indicate molecular functions, biological processes, and cellular components, respectively.

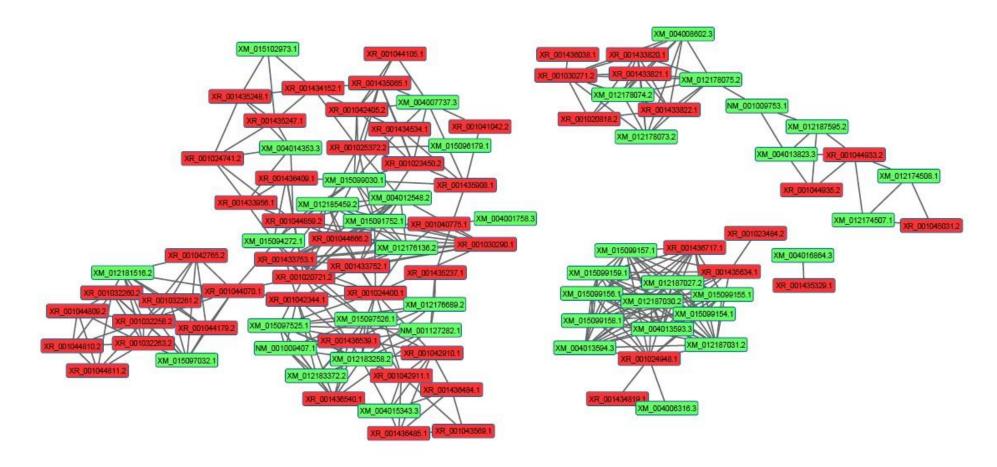
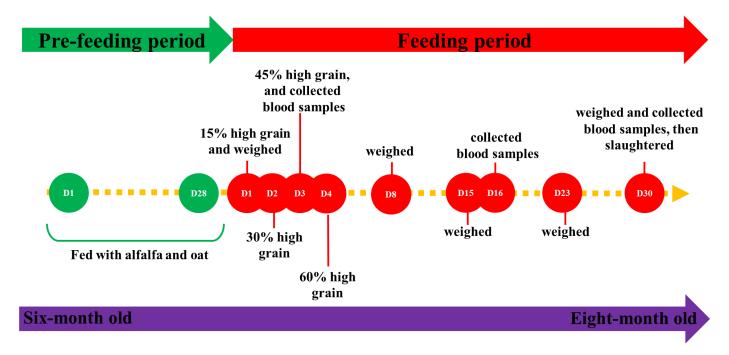
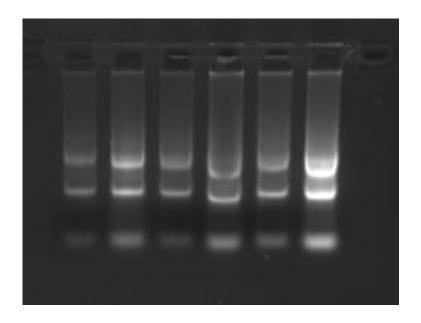


Fig. S4. Network between 43 DE lncRNAs and 22 DE mRNAs. mRNAs are shown in green and lncRNAs are shown in red.



**Fig. S5. The feeding scheme of the experiment.** The diagram shows the feeding scheme used for the high grain group. The feeding scheme used for the hay group was similar to that used for the high grain group, except that the hay group was only fed alfalfa and oats during the experimental period.



**Fig. S6. Agarose gel electrophoresis analysis of RNA-extracted products of sheep testis.** The agarose gel electrophoresis was visualized under UV illumination with 50ms exposure time.

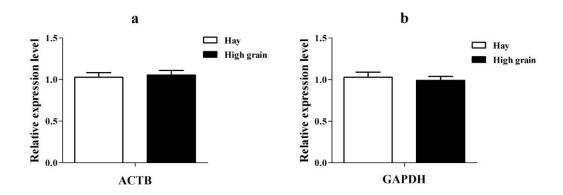


Fig. S7. Expression level of ACTB normalized to GAPDH (a) and expression level of GAPDH normalized to ACTB (b).

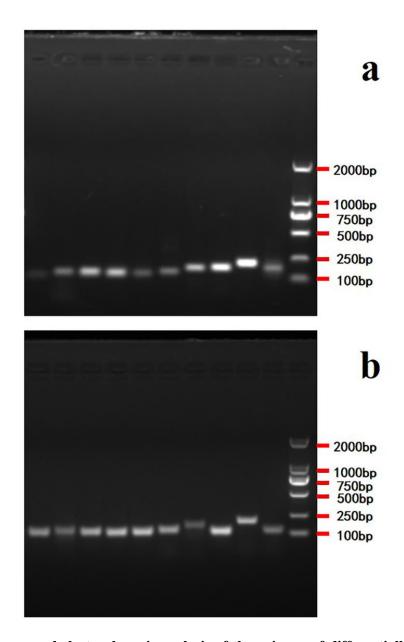


Fig. S8. Agarose gel electrophoresis analysis of the primers of differentially expressed mRNAs and lncRNAs are shown in a and b, respectively. The differentially expressed mRNAs and IncRNAs were chosen randomly from the sequencing data and the agarose gel electrophoresis was visualized under UV illumination with 50ms exposure time. The bands in part a XM\_004018909.3, represent XM\_004008021.3, XM\_012173604.2, XM\_004006316.3, XM\_004012176.3, XM\_012184864.2, XM\_004008307.3, XM\_015101162.1, XM\_015097032.1, and XM\_012104750.2 from left to right; in part b, the bands represent the differentially expressed IncRNAs: XR\_001045031.2, XR\_001040775.1, XR\_001434819.1, XR\_001044933.2, XR\_001044935.2, XR\_001044859.2, XR\_001435329.1, XR\_001025228.2, XR\_001043569.1, and XR\_001042765.2 from left to right.