Facultative dosage compensation of developmental genes on autosomes in Drosophila and mouse embryonic stem cells

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Supplementary Information



a) Characterization of transgenic *UAS-msl-2::3Flag* flies. The scheme indicates the crossing strategy and progeny obtained. Western blots from heads show *tub-Gal4* driven *UAS-msl-2::3Flag* protein expression levels nearly identical to the wild-type control male flies. In female heads, ectopic MSL2tg does not accumulate to the same levels as in males.

b) Progeny was counted from the offspring of crosses (24 vials) and expressed as a % of the *CyO*, *Act5C-GFP*, *TM6*, *Tb* female progeny. The numbers refer to genotypes stated in Supplementary Fig. 1a. Error bars represent the SD, P-values were calculated using a one-tailed t-test. Male lethality in *msl-2²²⁷/msl-2^{km}* is fully rescued by ectopic expression of *UAS-msl-2::3Flag* with *tub-Gal4* at 25°C. Note the effect of the *CyO*, *Act5C-GFP* and *TM6*, *Tb* balancer chromosomes on viability of wild-type male and female flies (right panel). Ectopic expression of MSL2tg in females causes around 30% reduction in viability with a mildly delayed eclosion rate compared to controls (data not shown).

c) Real-time RT-qPCR analyses of the indicated genes from early male L3 larvae. The RNA level of each gene is expressed relative to the heterozygous *CyO*, *Act5C-GFP* progeny while normalizing to *RpL32*. The bar plot represents the average of 4 independently collected samples with error bars indicating the SEM.

d) Polytene squashes of male and female wild-type Oregon R (WOR) and MSL2tg lines (*msl-2²²⁷ / msl-2^{km}*; *tub-Gal4 / UAS-msl-2::3Flag*). Squashes were immunostained with RNA Pol2, MSL1 and FLAG antibodies, respectively. Scale bar = $10 \mu m$.

e) As in d) but staining for MOF and MSL3. Note that the contrast setting of the female WOR squash was set different compared with males to be able to visualize autosomal MOF staining within the NSL complex. Scale bar = $10 \mu m$.

f) Genome browser snapshot of a selected HAS on the X chromosome illustrating the difference between small and large reads recovered in MNase-fragmented MSL2tg ChIP-seq. Coverage tracks were generated using deeptools bamCompare and plotted in IGV.

g) Enrichment scores on the merged list of all called MSL2tg peaks (left) or MLE peaks (right) were calculated using deeptools multiBigwigSummary and plotted in R. Male and female peaks are highly correlated in MSL2tg ChIPs (blue dots). No

enrichment can be detected in each corresponding untagged control. ChIP peaks for MLE can be only detected in males, but not females.

h) Characterization of the *msl-2*^{$\Delta 7$} and *msl-2*^{$\Delta 10$} CRISPR deletion alleles created in this study. The two alleles were independently obtained, but are identical in molecular nature, as assayed by DNA sequencing of PCR amplicons from the *msl-2* locus (data not shown). The read coverage of the "input" samples (H4K16ac ChIP-seq experiment) over the *msl-2* locus shows the absence of reads from the gene in *msl-2*^{$\Delta 7$} / *msl-2*^{$\Delta 10$} transheterozygous lines. Quantification of RNA levels by real-time qRT-PCR in early L3 larvae indicates the absence of any *msl-2* RNA expression normalized to *RpL32*. The barplot represents the average of 4 independently collected samples with error bars indicating the SEM.

i) Violin plots showing the distribution of enrichment scores per 1 kb bin on each chromosomal arm for the H3 ChIP performed in parallel to the H4K16ac ChIP shown in Figure 1. Scores were calculated using deeptools multiBigwigSummary and plotted in R. For the Inputs, the analyses were performed on log2FC Input (male) / Input (female) coverage files.

j) Heatmaps, where 3 unsupervised k-Means clusters were generated based on the H4K16ac ChIP-seq profiles in $msl-2^{\Delta 7} / msl-2^{\Delta 10}$ mutant males. They were sorted according to the enrichment intensity within each cluster. The NSL3 ChIP from S2 cells¹, H4ac, H3ac and H3K36me3 ChIP (this study) from L3 larvae was plotted on the same regions keeping the order according to the clustering of the H4K16ac ChIP-seq.



a) Genome browser snapshot comparing MSL2tg (male L3 larvae, this study), MSL2 (S2 cells²) and roX ChIRP (L3 larvae³) on X chromosome and autosomes. Data normalization is described in methods.

b) Heatmaps showing CLAMP (L3 larvae⁴) enrichment on HAS sorted by enrichment intensity. The HAS center was used as a reference point, while plotting the signal +/-0.8Kb. The mean enrichment profile is shown on top of the heatmap, ChIP data normalization is described in methods.

c) Genome browser snapshot showing that MLE and MSL2tg spreading is pronounced at H3K36me3 positive regions, whereas H4K16ac spreads beyond active genes. roX2 ChIRP signal is confined to HAS. Data normalization is described in methods.

d) Analysis of X-linked peaks, which do not overlap with HAS. Mean enrichment profile at non-HAS peaks on the X in comparison to all autosomal sites is shown. The MEME motif analysis of these peaks is shown below, where the top-scoring motif was chosen.

e) Real-time RT-qPCR analyses of the indicated genes from the same samples shown in Figure 2g. The RNA level of each gene was calculated relative to RpL32 expression as a reference gene. The barplot represents the average of 3 independent biological replicates with error bars indicating the SEM.

f) Real-time RT-qPCR analyses of the indicated genes from heterozygous mle^9/CyO , *GFP* (male, female) and homozygous mle^9/mle^9 (female) L3 larvae. The RNA level of each gene was calculated relative to the geometric mean of *RpL32* and *Pfk* and expressed relative to the mle^9/CyO , *GFP* males. The barplot represents the average of 5 independent biological replicates with error bars indicating the SEM.

g) Characterization of fly lines, where the *msl-2* gene was CRISPR-tagged at its C-terminus with a 3HA-6His-Bio tag (*msl-2::3HA* line). Three independent lines were obtained (#7, #8, #9) and analyzed by Western blot from heads. They display identical protein expression levels compared to the endogenous MSL2 protein in wild-type Oregon R flies (lanes 7 and 8).

h) Male and female progeny of the homozygous *msl-2::3HA* line #7 in a total of 5 vials were counted each day after the first flies eclosed (*msl-2* null mutants are male-specific lethal, whereas females are unaffected). The barchart represents the average of 5 vials (progeny eclosed on each day in % of the total number of flies eclosed per

vial) and error bars represent the SD. *msl-2::3HA* males and females display equal viability and no developmental delay.

i) ChIP-qPCR analyses of endogenously tagged *msl-2::3HA* male L3 larvae. The barplot shows the average of 3 independent biological replicates / experiments, the error bars represent the SEM. Enrichment values were calculated relative to input and serial dilutions performed to account for primer efficiency. The data is expressed as fold change enrichment over the non-targets.

j) Polytene squash of the endogenous *msl-2::3HA* line. Squashes were immunostained with MSL1 and HA antibodies, respectively. The transgene displays the expected localization to the X chromosome. Scale bar = $50 \mu m$.

k) Genome browser snapshots showing MLE and MSL2-HA binding to roX1 and roX2 RNA in male and female L3 larvae. Oregon R L3 larvae (untagged) were used as controls. Note that in endogenously tagged *msl-2::3HA* line, females do not express MSL2-HA protein. The data range represents the number of uniquely mapped alignments for each profile. Tracks show merged biological duplicates except for the untagged larvae.



♀ tub-Gal4 / UAS-gfp

DAPI MSL2 (FLAG)



e Q tub-Gal4 / UAS-msl-2::3Flag DAPI MSL2 (FLAG)







a) Real-time RT-qPCR analyses of the indicated genes in male and female wild-type Oregon R wing discs. The RNA level of each gene was calculated relative to the geometric mean of *RpL32*, *Pfk* and *U6* expression level and expressed relative to males. The bar plot represents the average of 4 independently collected samples each consisting of 2 wing discs with error bars indicating the SEM. P-values were calculated using a one-tailed t-test (males versus females).

b) Real-time RT-qPCR analyses of N and Bx in male and female wild-type L3 larval Oregon R brains. The barplot represents the average of 3 independently collected samples each consisting of 1 larval brain with error bars indicating the SEM, P-values were calculated using a one-tailed t-test (males versus females).

c) Genome browser snapshot showing H4K16ac enrichment in wild-type male and female L3 larvae on the X-linked *Bx*, *N*, *Klp3a* and *Ucp4a*. Data normalization is described in methods.

d)-e) Immunostainings of female wing discs with FLAG (red), Wingless (Wg, white) and DAPI in blue. The genotype in d) was w;; *tub-Gal4 / UAS-gfp* and in e) w;; *tub-Gal4 / UAS-gfp* and in e) w;; *tub-Gal4 / UAS-msl-2::3Flag*. Scale bar = 50 μ M.

f) As in a), the data is expressed relative to the UAS-GFP expressing control samples. P-values were calculated using a one-tailed t-test (UAS-msl-2::3Flag flies versus UAS-gfp controls). The genotype of the female flies was w;; tub-Gal4 / UAS-msl-2::3Flag or w;; tub-Gal4 / UAS-gfp.

g) As in f), but for males *w* / *Y* ;; *tub-Gal4* / *UAS-msl-2*::3*Flag* or *w* / *Y* ;; *tub-Gal4* / *UAS-gfp* flies.





ZOOM

a) Immunostainings of male *msl-2::3HA* wing discs with H4K16ac (green), HA (red), and DAPI in blue. The very right panel shows a zoom from the merged panel. Scale bar = 10μ M. The signal for MSL2-HA and H4K16ac overlap in the X chromosomal territory within the male nucleus.

b) Immunostainings of wing discs with H4K16ac (green), FLAG (red) and DAPI (blue). WOR refers to wild-type Oregon R, MSLtg to *msl-2²²⁷ / msl-2^{km}; tub-Gal4 / UAS-msl-2::3Flag* wing discs. The very right panel shows a zoom from the merged panel. Scale bar = 10 μ M.

c) Pictures of female and male adult flies expressing *ap-Gal4 / UAS-msl-2::3Flag* (BL3041).

d) Pictures of wings of female and male adult flies expressing *UAS-msl-2::3Flag* using the indicated Gal4-drivers (see methods).

e) Immunostainings of female wing discs (*UAS-gfp / w ;; hh-Gal4 / UAS-msl-*2::3*Flag*) with GFP (green), FLAG (red), Wingless (Wg, white) and DAPI (blue). The bottom panel shows a zoom from the top panel. Scale bar = 5μ M.

f) As in Figure 4f) Real-time RT-qPCR analyses of the indicated genes in male wing discs upon UAS-msl- 2^{RNAi} with hh-Gal4.

g) Immunostainings of male wing discs (*UAS-gfp / Y*;; *hh-Gal4 / UAS-msl-2*^{*RNAi*}, BDSC 31627) with GFP (green), MSL1 (red), H4K16ac (white) and DAPI (blue). The bottom panel shows a zoom, DAPI is shown in blue. Scale bar = 5 μ M.



a) Scheme showing the CRISPR/Cas9-mediated strategy to delete *Msl2* in mESCs. The two independently obtained knock-out clones lack most of the 5'UTR, exon1 and exon2 affecting all isoforms.

b) Real-time RT-qPCR analyses of *Msl2* RNA levels in parental (MF clone) versus the two *Msl2* knock-out clones (A2 and D12) in Serum (blue, left) and 2i medium (grey, right). The RNA level was calculated relative to *Hprt*. The bar plot represents the average of 4 independent experiments with error bars indicating the SEM. Note that transcripts can still be detected from exon 3, which can be attributed to non-sense mediated decay (NMD).

c) Cell growth ratio of $Msl2\Delta$ cells (A2 and D12) versus parental MF cells after 4 days in culture. The barplot represents the average of 4 independent experiments with parental (MF) cells set to 100% and error bars indicating the SEM.

d) Cropped western blots showing bulk H4K16ac levels in heterozygous *msl*- $2^{227}/CyO$, *GFP* and *msl*- $2^{227}/msl$ - 2^{227} null mutant *Drosophila* L3 larvae. H4 and Rpb3 serve as loading controls.

e) Cropped western blots showing the impact of *Msl2* deletion on bulk levels of the indicated proteins and histone modifications in mESCs. The same extracts were analyzed on multiple gels / membranes. For each condition two different amounts were loaded.

f) Immunofluorescence of parental MF and *Msl2* Δ mESC colonies grown in 2i medium. Displayed stainings are DAPI (blue), E-cadherin (green) and H4K16ac (red). Scale bar = 10 μ m.

g) Genome browser snapshot of MSL2, MOF, H4K16ac, H4K16ac (*Msl2* Δ) and H3K36me3 ChIP-seq at the *Zfp185* (left) and *Bscl2* (right) locus. The grey shaded area corresponds to approximately 50 kb. Normalization is described in methods. The right panel shows the Pearson correlation of several histone modifications compared to the H4K16ac ChIP-seq profiles generated in this study. Enrichment scores were calculated in 1kb tiled bins across the mouse genome, while excluding regions from the ENCODE blacklist. The Correlation was then plotted from the deeptools multibigwigSummary output using plotCorrelation function.

h) DE genes by RNA-seq of $Msl2\Delta$ cells in Serum were plotted according to their position on each chromosome, while scaling each chromosome to the same size. Each

dot represents a DE gene, where the color scale indicates the fold change of that particular gene.

i) Heatmaps of all downregulated genes in 2i (left) and the Top60 (by p-adj) downregulated genes in Serum grown mESCs (Parental MF versus $Msl2\Delta$ cells).

j) GO based gene set enrichment map of the DE genes upon $Msl2\Delta$ in Serum grown mESCs.





Uncropped Western Blots with molecular weight markers. Note that for certain antibodies, the ladder causes background and had to be cut before applying HRP solution. Some blots are represented as merged with the molecular weight marker causing slightly different appearance of contrast than presented in the actual figures (blots marked as "ladder merged"). The molecular weight marker in Supplementary Fig. 5d and certain blots of Supplementary Fig. 5e was loaded together with sample due to limitation of wells. H3K9me2 and H4K20me1 antibodies were applied / detected at the same time.

RNA expression						
ID	Sequence	Target				
Drosophila						
ck1313	TCAATCTCTAAGACAACGCCG	ap	fwd			
ck1314	GCTATTGGACACTTGACACTGG	ap	rev			
ck1315	CCATCGCTAAACCGCAAAAG	vg	fwd			
ck1316	GTAGGCACCGTACATAACTTCG	vg	rev			
ck1387	ATACTGCTTTGGGCAGGACC	wg	fwd			
ck1388	CCAGCCCTGGTTACCGATTT	wg	rev			
ck1317	GGAGATCGTGTTTTGAGCATG	hh	fwd			
CK1318	AGGTTGCGGTCCATGAAG	nn	rev			
ck1319	GUGUGTUUAGUTAAAATAAAG	BX Dy	rov			
ck1320		50	fwd			
ck1322	ACACAGATCGATGCAGAAGTC	50	rev			
ck640	ATCGGTTACGGATCGAACAA	RpL32	fwd			
ck641	GACAATCTCCTTGCGCTTCT	RpL32	rev			
ck439	GCTTCGGCAGAACATATACT	snRNA::U6	fwd			
ck440	ACGATTTTGCGTGTCATCCT	snRNA::U6	rev			
ck838	AAGGGCTATGAGGGCAGAGA	N	fwd			
ck839	AGTCACCGATCCCATCCAGA	N	rev			
ck447	GCCATCGAAAGGGTAAATTG	rox2	fwd			
ck448	CTTGCTTGATTTTGCTTCGG	rox2	rev			
ck449	TCCCACCCGAATAACCAACC	rox1	fwd			
ck450	GCATAGGCTTTCAATACCGTTCC	rox1	rev			
ck1247	GCCCAGACGGCATACTTGAA	msl-2	fwd			
ck1248	CCCGCCGTTTGGAAAGATTC	msl-2	rev			
ck644	CTGAGGGCAAGTTCAAGGAG	Pfk	fwd			
ck645	AAGCCACCAATGATCAGGAG	Pfk	rev			
ck451	CGCAAGGAGTTCACACAGAA	Ucp4a	fwd			
ck452	CTCCATTTGGATTTGCACCT	Ucp4a	rev			
CK445	CATTCCCATTCGGAGGAGTA	Kip3a	IWd			
CK440	GCAGCTCCTGTTTGAGATCC	Kip5a CathD	fev			
0AG450	ATCCTAGGCCTGGGCTACAA	CathD	rov			
gs33f	CCAGCAAGGTGGTCAAGAAG	Rnl22	fwd			
gs33r	CCATGATGCTATCCTCAGCA	Rpl22 Rpl22	rev			
ck642	CTCCTACTGGAAGGGCATCA	CG5254	fwd			
ck643	CCAGCCAGAGAAAAGGTCAG	CG5254	rev			
ck1480	gatacaatttggtacagtgaaatatgg	salm	fwd			
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ck1474	atcgagatggccttgctg	ssp4	fwd			
ck1475	catggtctcccacttcatca	ssp4	rev			
ck1476	gtttggctaaatcccaagga	esn	fwd			
ck1477	cttcctcctgctcttgtcca	esn	rev			
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ck1469	gctcttctcgtccacattgc	opa	rev			
ck1478	agacgaatgcaatccagga	socs16D	fwd			
ck1479	gaccccagtaccagccatag	socs16D	rev			
131a	tcaactacctagtgcgcgtg	mle	fwd			
131b		mle	rev			
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	CTGTCGGAAGTAAGGCAAGAG	mmMsl2 (exon1)	rev			
	GGTTATCATGTACAGCAGCAACTC	mmMsl2 (exon3)	fwd			
	GTAGAAATTGGAAGTGGCTGAACT	mmMsl2 (exon3)	rev			
	GTATACCTAATCATTATGCCGAGGA	mmHprt	fwd			
	GACATCTCGAGCAAGTCTTTCA	mmHprt	rev			
	GGCAGAACTTTTGACAGCTC	mmPhf8	fwd			
	TTCAAGACAAGGATAGGCACG	mmPhf8	rev			
	CAGATTGACTGGAAACCGAGAG	mmBex2	fwd			
	CACGCCTTGTTCCACTTTG	mmBex2	rev			
	GGGTTGATGTGGTAGATGAGG	mmZfp185	fwd			
	TGGGCAATCTTCTCGGTTG	mmZfp185	rev			
	CCGACAAAGGGATAACTCACAC	mmBscl2	fwd			
	AGGGCTCTCACCATCCTC	mmBscl2	rev			
	GCAAAAGAGAAAGCCAAAGGG	mmLin28	fwd			
	ACCACAGTTGTAGCATCTTGG	mmLin28	rev			
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ck988	TGCATTGGATTTACCGCTCCT	vg	fwd		
ck989	GCCGCTCAATCGGAAGAGAA	vg	rev		
ck992	ACGTGAATAAGGCAGCGGTA	ap	fwd		
ck993	TGGCGCACAGCTTATACTCC	ap	rev		
ck998	CGTCCCGCGCACAAAGTTAT	so	fwd		
ck999	GCTTTTCTCTCGCTTCGTGTG	so	rev		
ck923	ACCGCTCTCTTTCGGGACTTG	roX1 HAS	fwd		
ck924	GGGTGAGTGAGACGGCCATAG	roX1 HAS	rev		
ck927	GATTCGTGCCCAAAGTGAGGG	socs16D HAS	fwd		
ck928	TCCCACCCACAACCAAAACCT	socs16D HAS	rev		
ck1048	CGTATACGAGTCTTGAAAAGAAAG	roX2 HAS	fwd		
ck1049	CTCTCTAAGCCAGCACCGTT	roX2 HAS	rev		
ck1050	GAGATAGCGATGGCGGTGTG	CG15767/CG4064 HAS	fwd		
ck1051	CATGAAGCTTCCAACTATCTCGC	CG15767/CG4064 HAS	rev		
ag382	CCTTTCGGAACTAGATCCCC	CG15011	fwd		
ag383	AAGCCGGCGTTTTTGTCTAT	CG15011	rev		
ag378	CGTAACGGCACCCCTCAA	Ent2	fwd		
ag379	ACCGCACCGCACTACAAG	Ent2	rev		
Mouse					
ck1108	TGTTGTGTTGCAAGTGTGGA	Zfp185	fwd		
ck1109	AGTTGCCAGCACTGAGTACA	Zfp185	rev		
ck1116	TTCCTGTGTCAGCTTGTCCC	Firre	fwd		
ck1117	CCCCAGTAATGTCTTGCAGC	Firre	rev		
ck1166	CCTCCTCTAGGCACGTAGTAGT	Bex2	fwd		
ck1167	GGGATCCGATTGTGGCCC	Bex2	rev		
ck1261	CTCGTTGGTTTGGCAGATG	Wap	fwd		
ck1262	TCCATGTTCCCAAAAGCCAG	Wap	rev		
ck1267	GCTACCCACTGTCAGGATC	Nanog	fwd		
ck1268	TCTCCCTGCTCCCTCTTC	Nanog	rev		
ck1158	CGGACTCGGTCCTTAGCAG	Arfl	fwd		
ck1159	TCATCGTGGGAGTCAAGGGG	mmArf1	rev		
	ctctaccacttggaccatatgac	Intergenic	fwd		
	gggetccaaacagcateteta	Intergenic	rev		

Supplementary Table 1

List of qPCR primers used in this study

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