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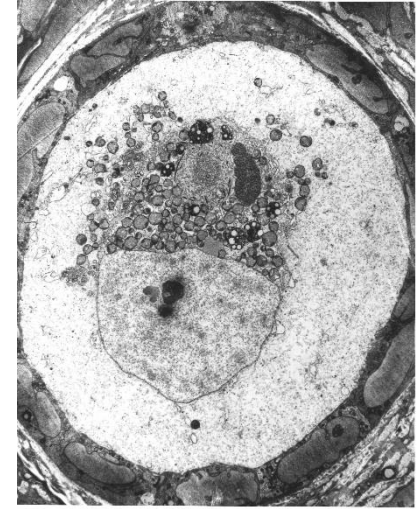
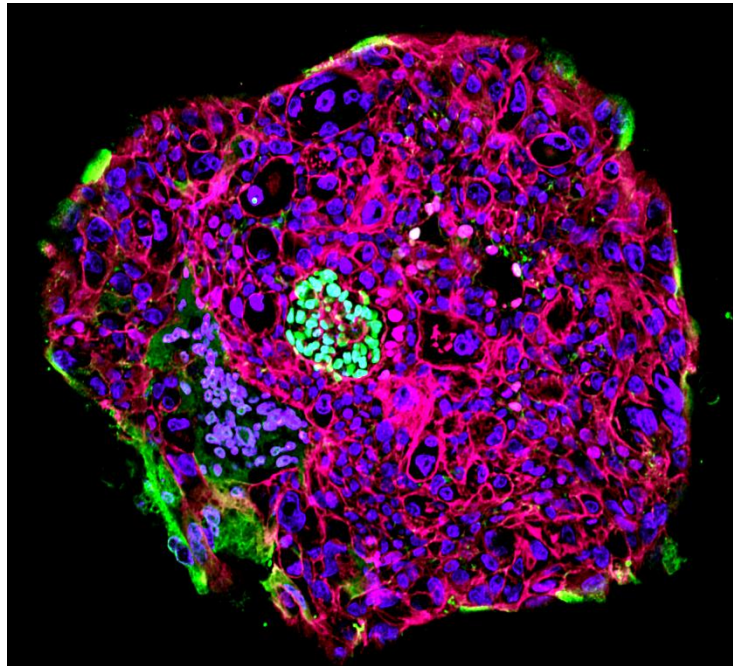
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How signaling modalities link oogenesis to embryogenesis

To there:



Hertig, 1967 Human
primordial follicle

Deglinerti and colleagues
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Cultured human embryo



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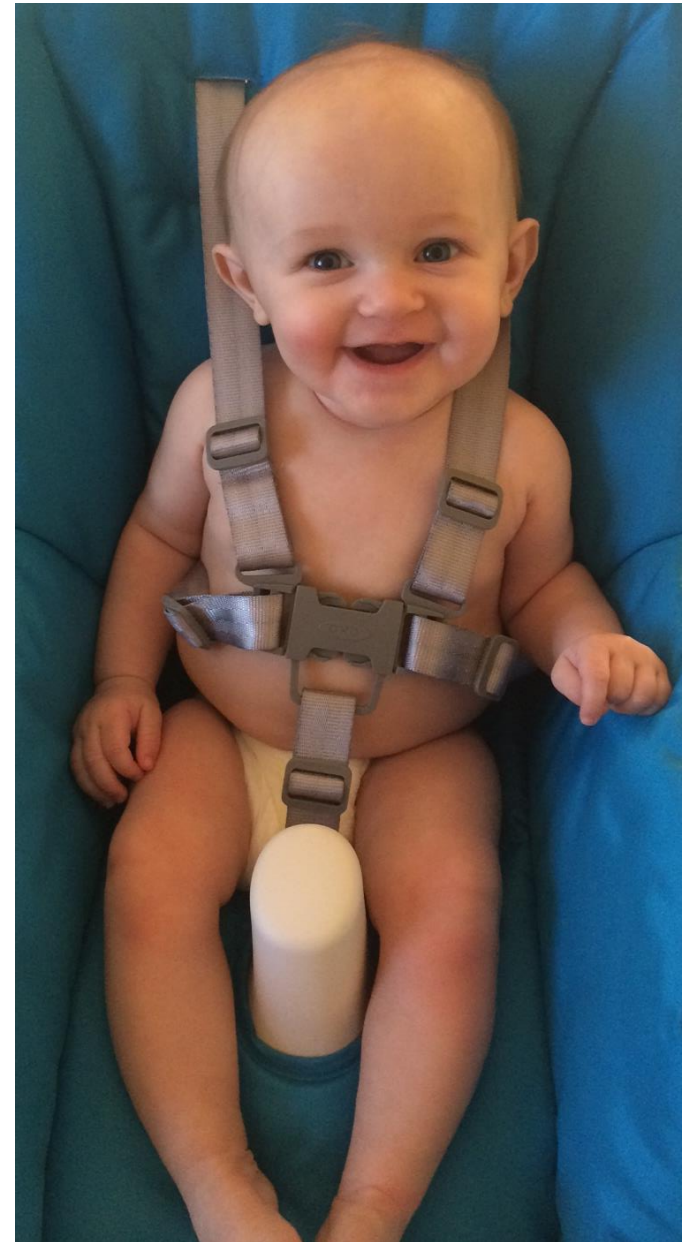
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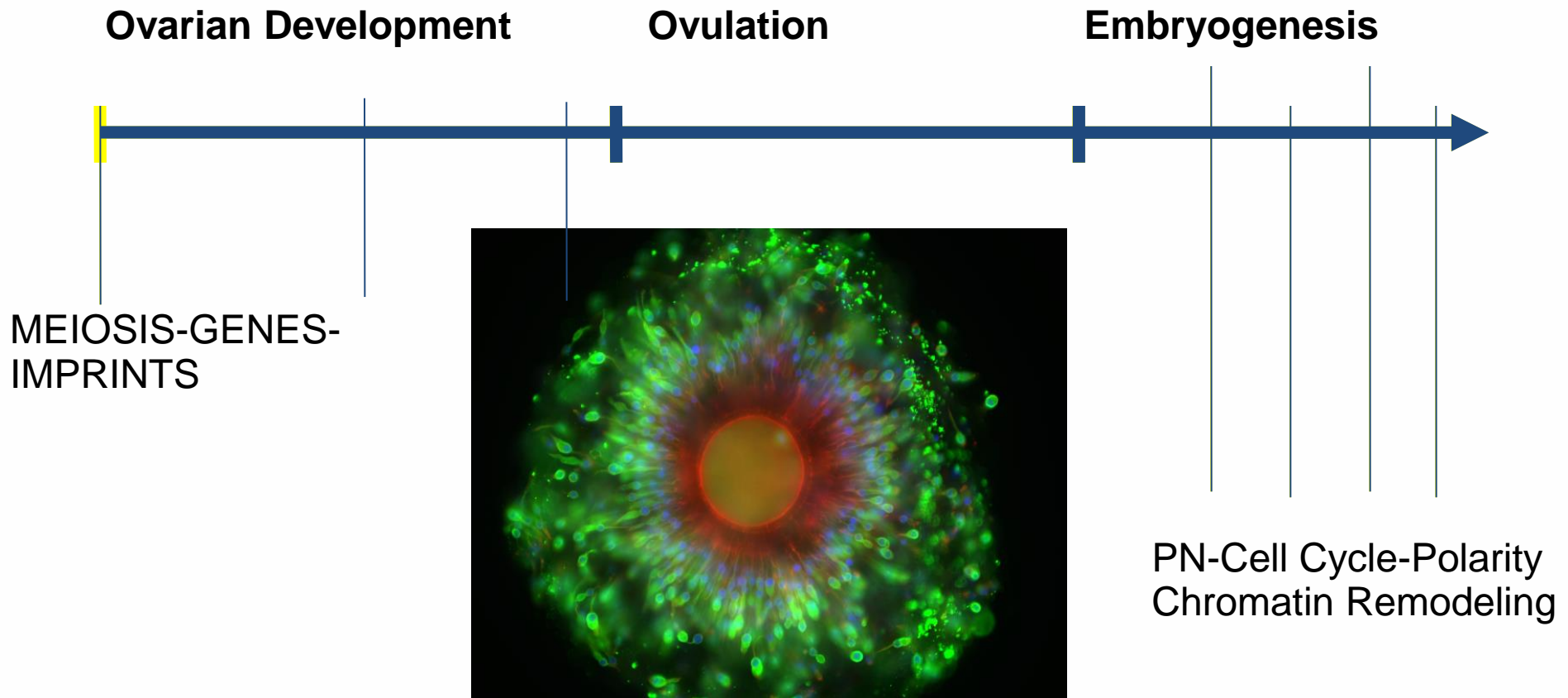
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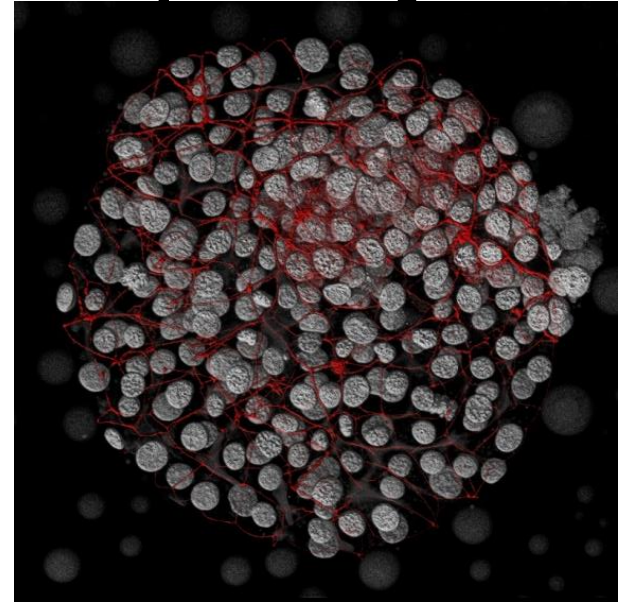
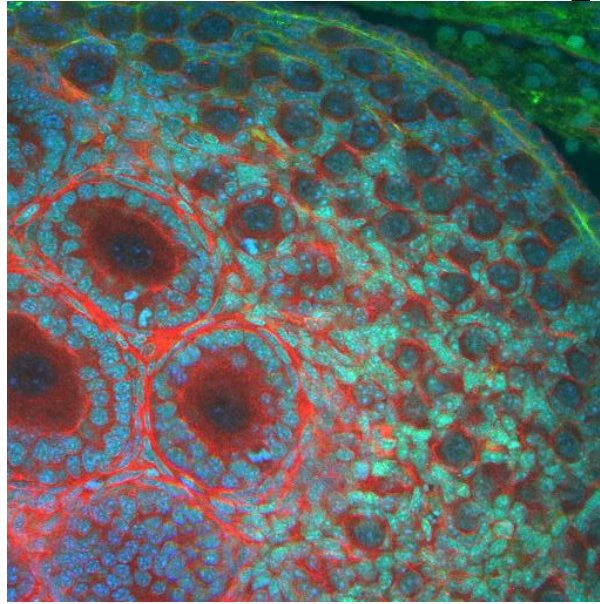
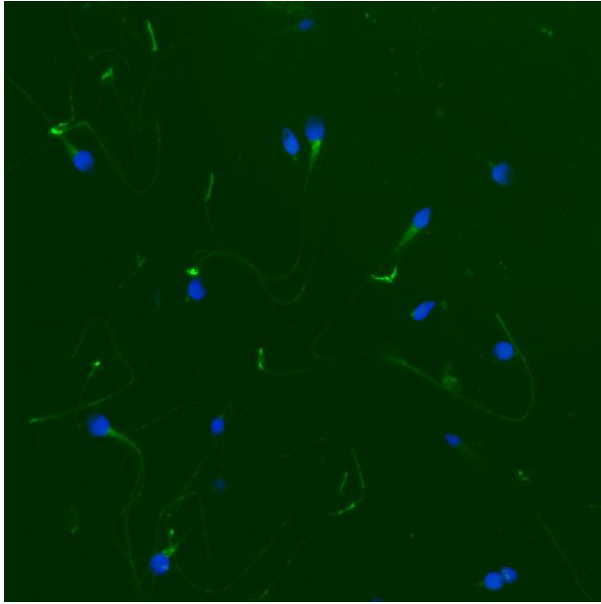
Outline

- What types of signaling modalities exist in the follicle
- What is the physiological significance of changing oocyte-cumulus cell communication
- Before, during, and after ovulation
- Impact on the preimplantation embryo
- Can oogenesis be recapitulated in vitro

Oocyte Quality Is a Developmental Continuum Extending into Embryogenesis



What are the innate (gametic) determinants of embryo quality?



Two genomes (or is it 3?)

Maternal effect gene products....molecules

Mostly maternal organelles

Sperm donations in kind (centrosomes, miRNAs)

A cortical scaffold to store and protect products of oogenesis

A Subcortical Maternal Complex Essential for Preimplantation Mouse Embryogenesis

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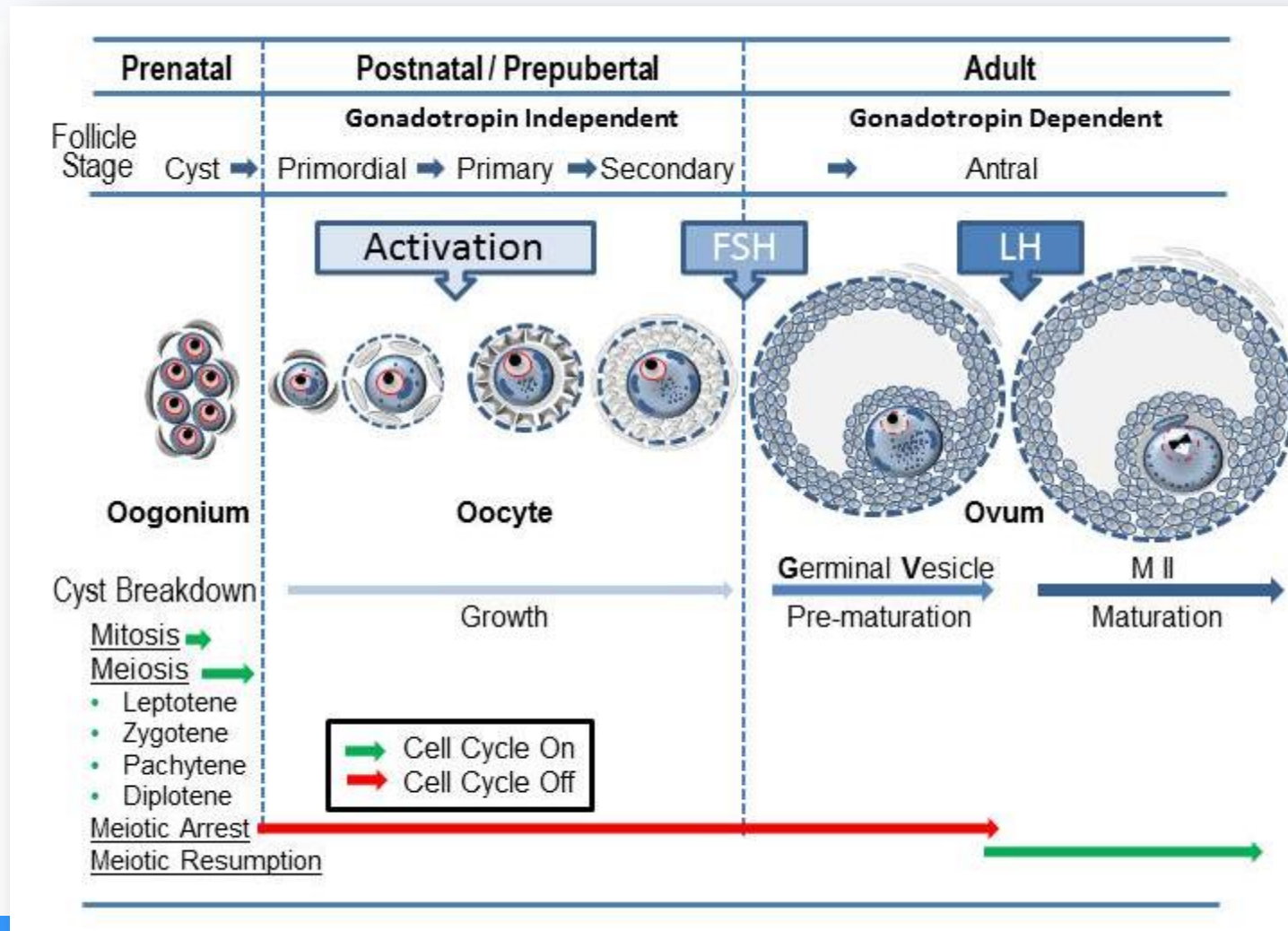
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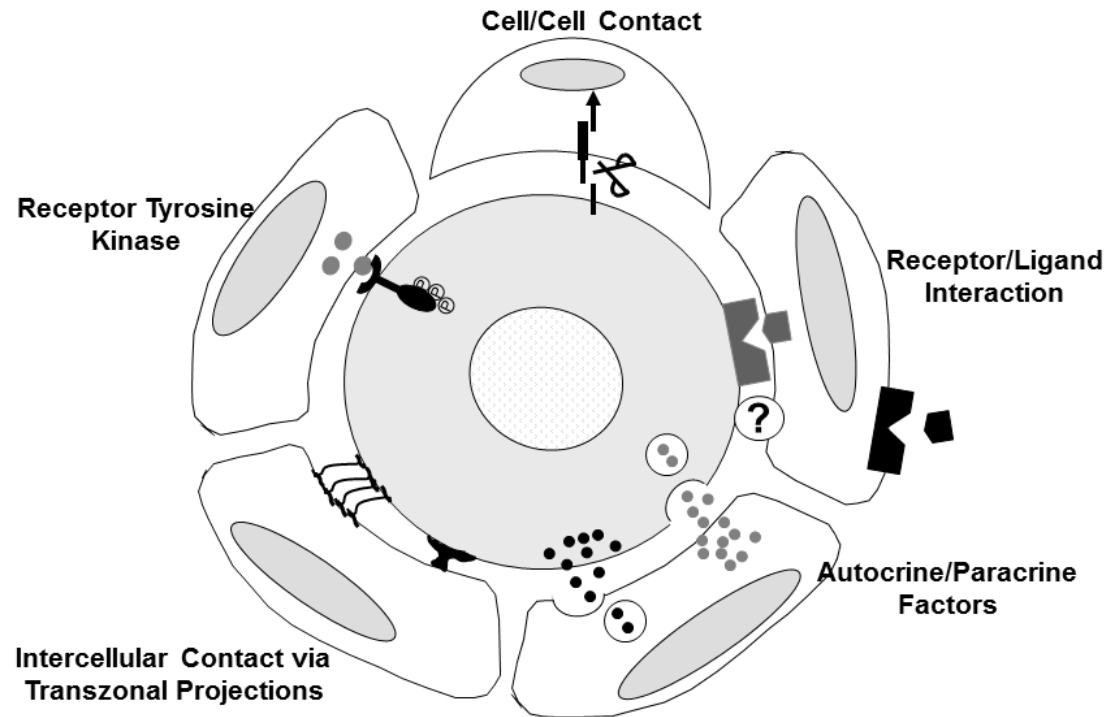
Maturing in the Style of Eggs and Follicles

- Follicles activate from primordials
- Grow to increase somatic cell number (hyperplasia) and support germ cell hypertrophy
- Acquire gonadotropin sensitivity along with steroidogenic capacity
- Acquire ovulation competency for both the mural and cumulus compartments
- Oocytes undergo hypertrophy along with initial stages of follicle growth
- Erase imprints and prepare to reimprint the zygote
- Acquire in sequence the ability to resume and complete meiosis, fertilization potential, and support embryo
- The COMPETENCIES that link oocyte to embryo quality are acquired in the follicle

Status quo



Multiple Cell Communication Pathways



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In the beginning-as the follicle forms

Cyst breakdown or something else generating
primordials?

Notch signaling at the front or back end?

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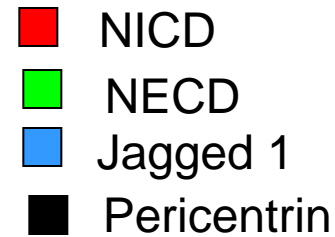
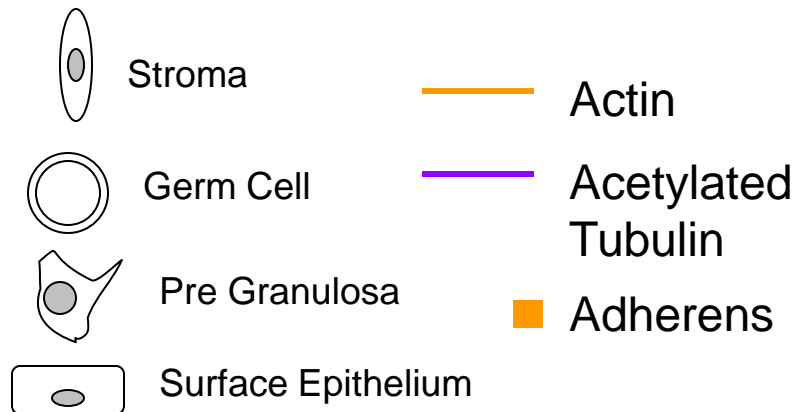
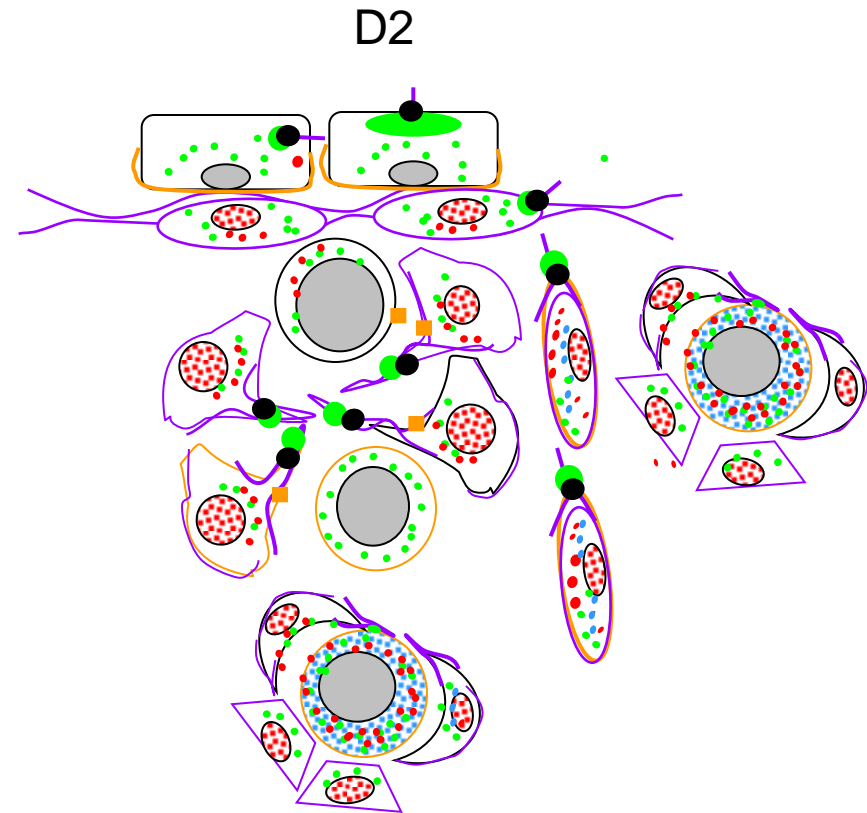
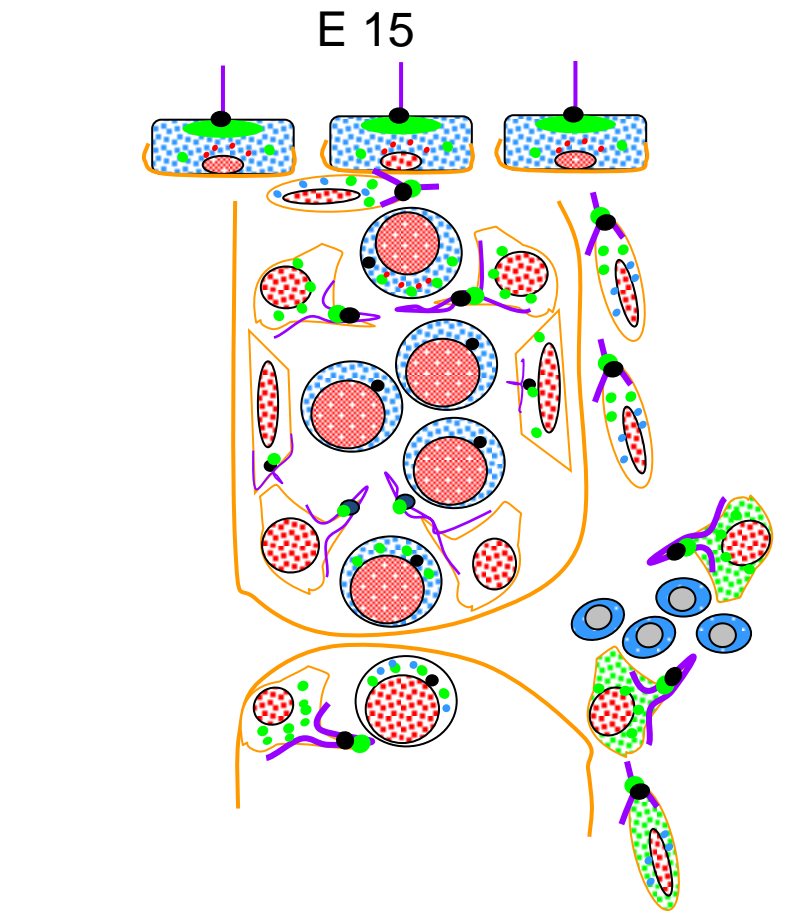
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Notch2 is required in somatic cells for breakdown
of ovarian germ-cell nests and formation of
primordial follicles

Jingxia Xu^{1,2} and Thomas Gridley^{3*}

Xu and Gridley *BMC Biology* 2013, **11**:13

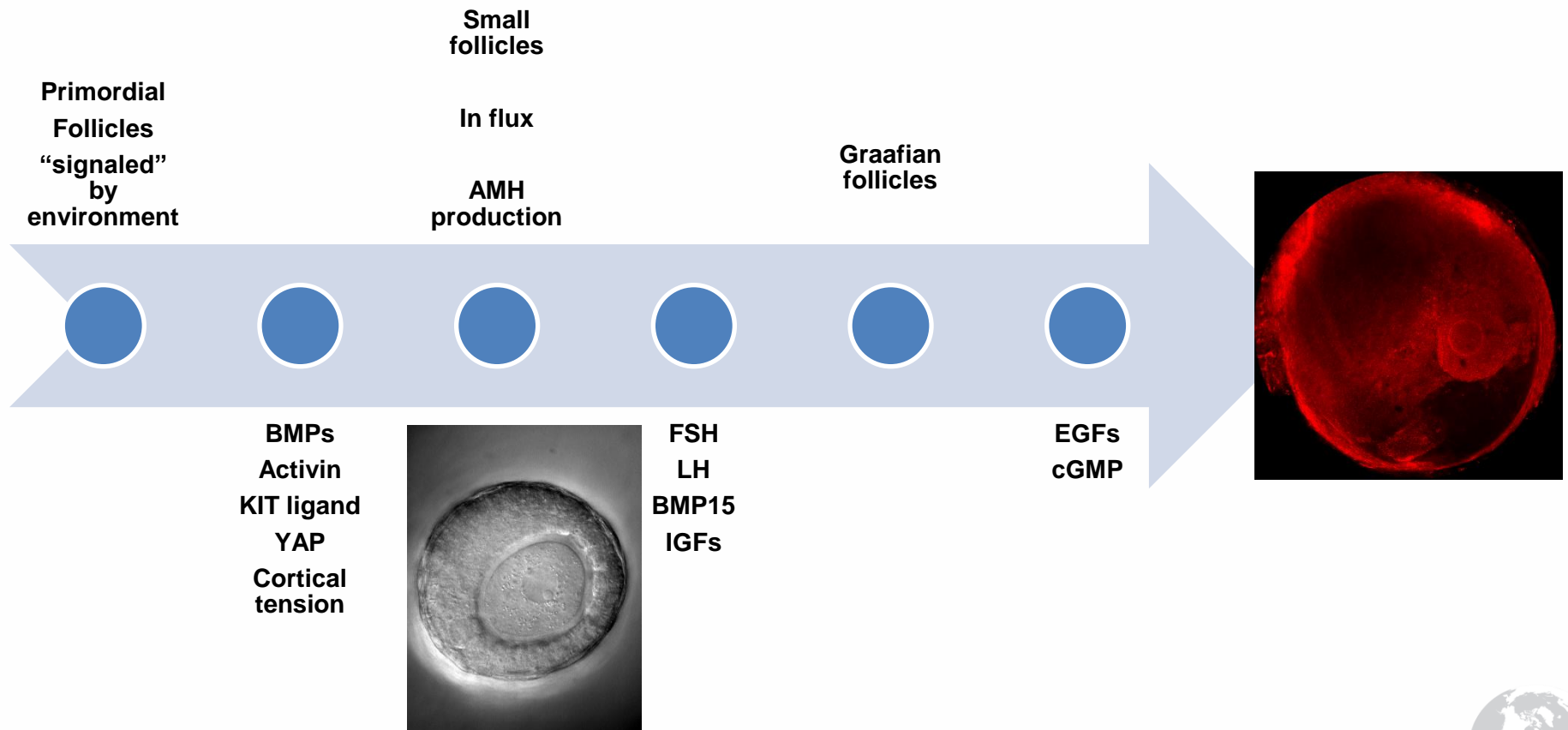
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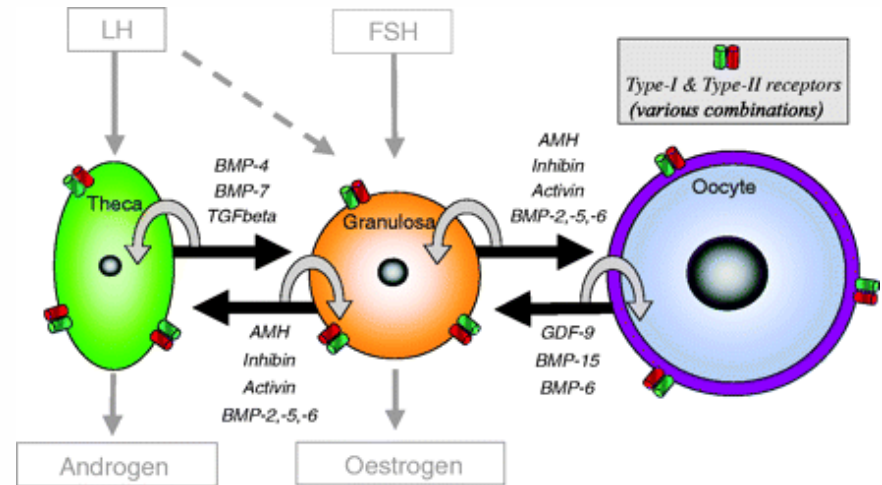
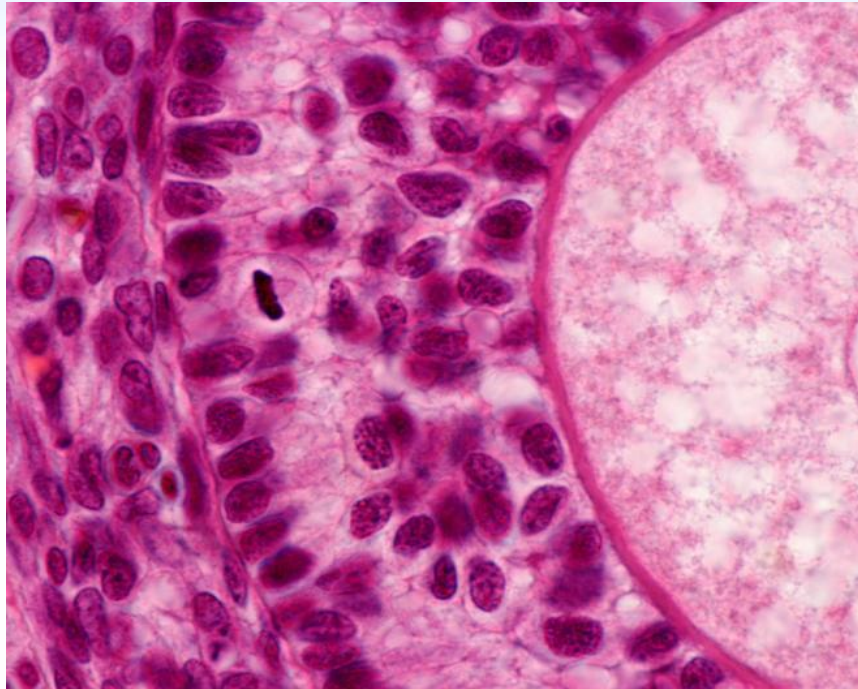
Bone morphogenetic protein 2 promotes primordial follicle formation in the ovary

Prabuddha Chakraborty^{1,2} & Shyamal K. Roy^{1,2}

Activation of Primordial Follicles



Building a follicle is a complicated process



Growth and Maturation of the Graafian Follicle

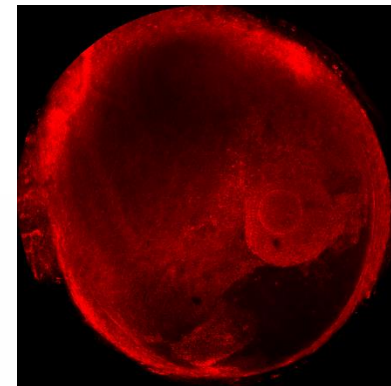
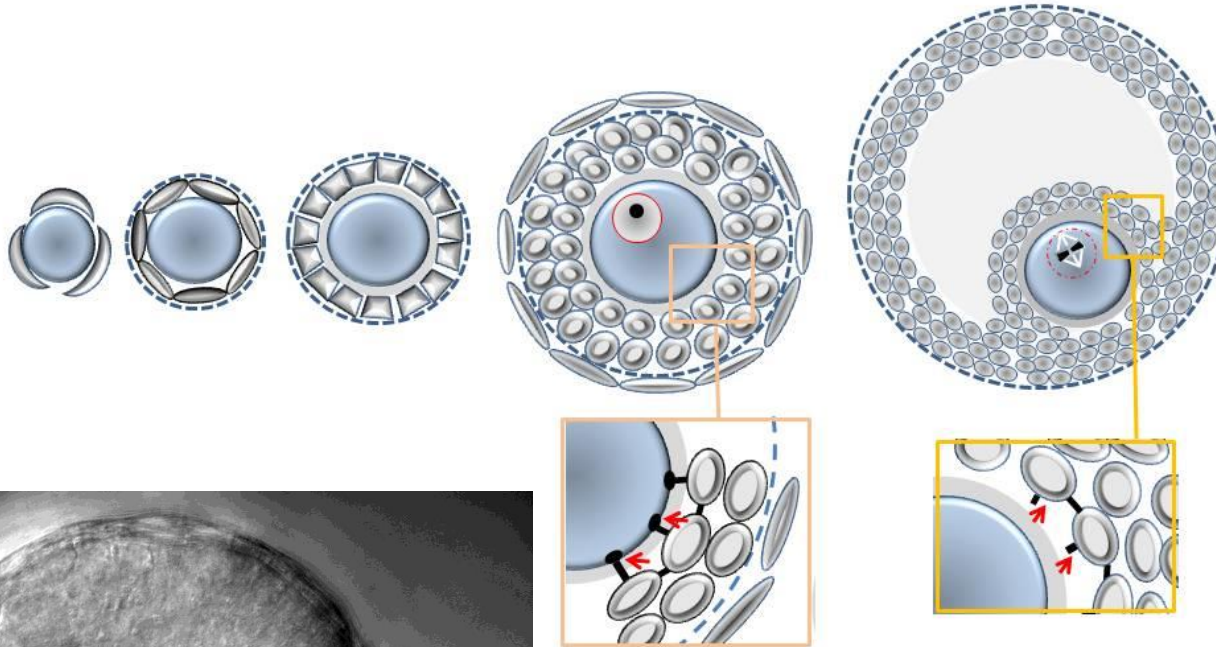


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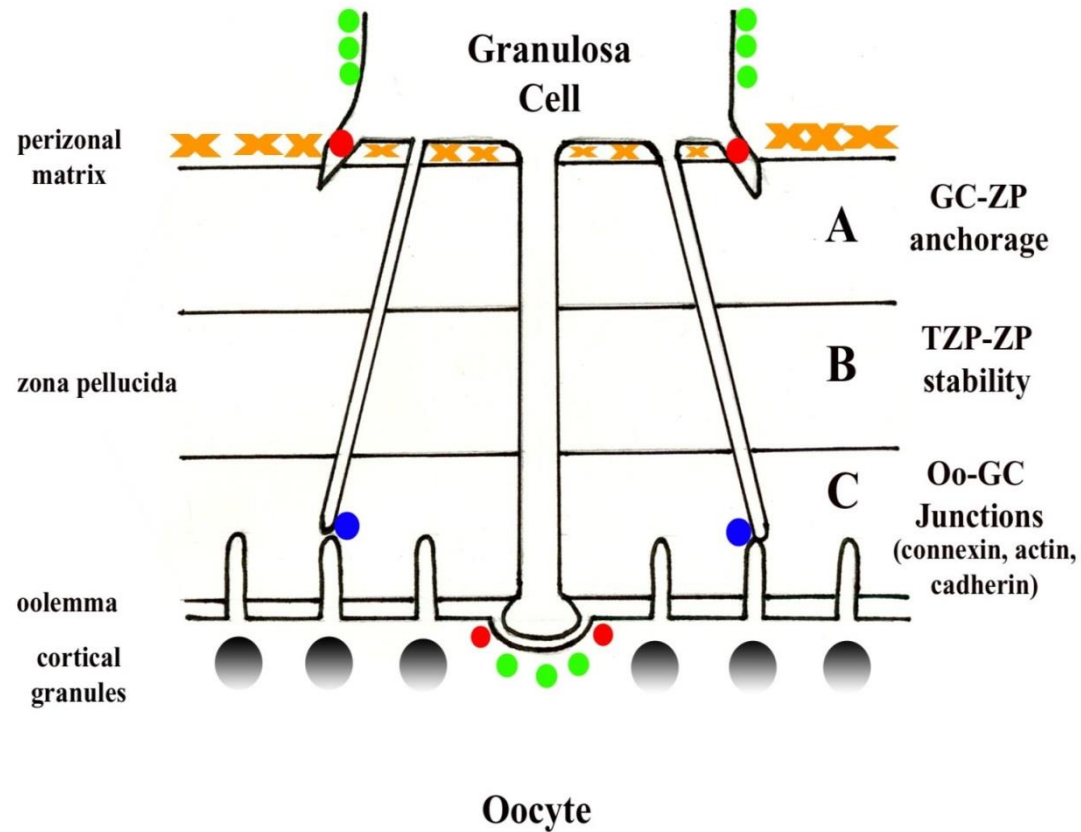
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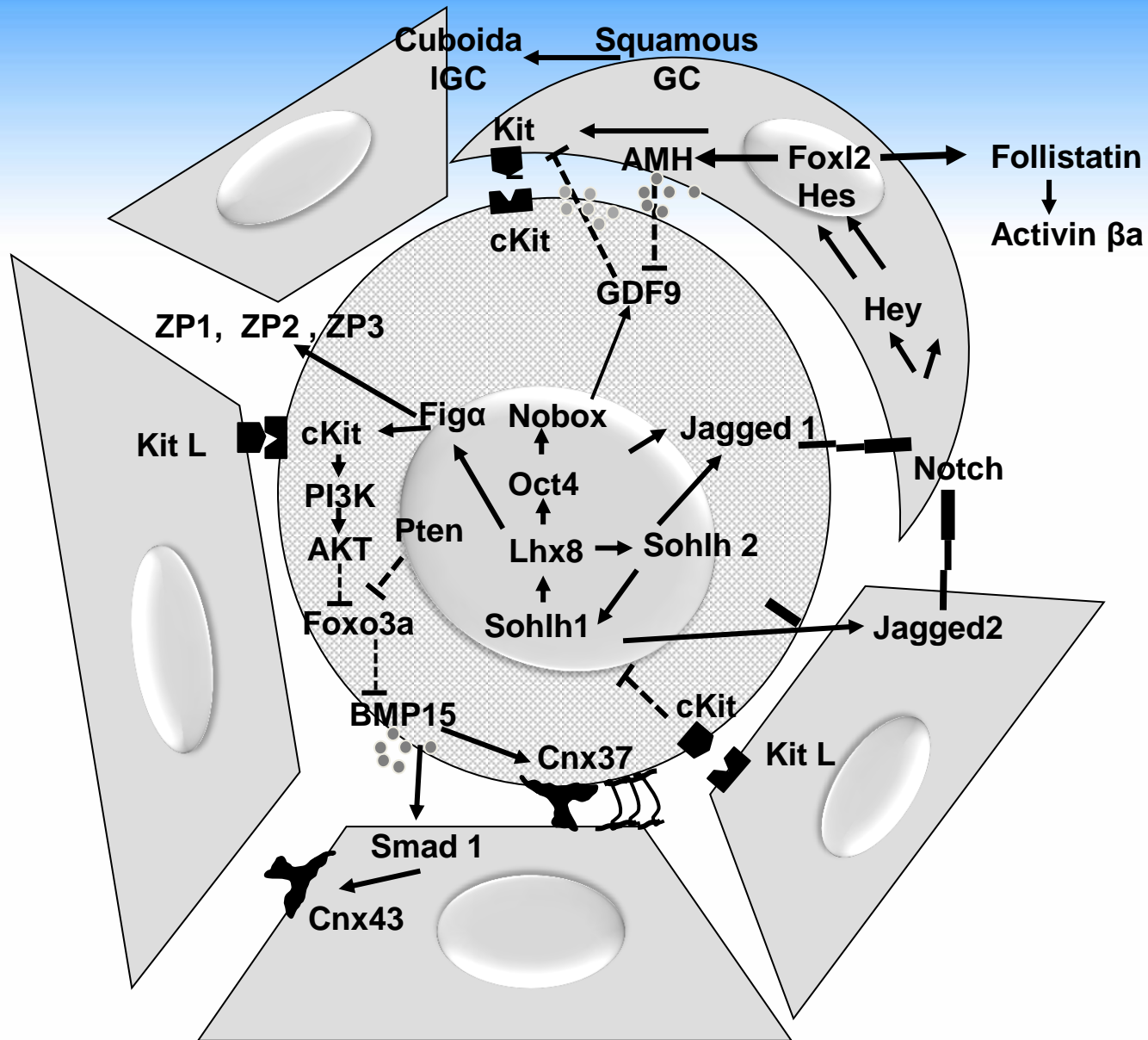


The Oocyte-Granulosa Interface: Circa 2007



Growth and expansion-in real time



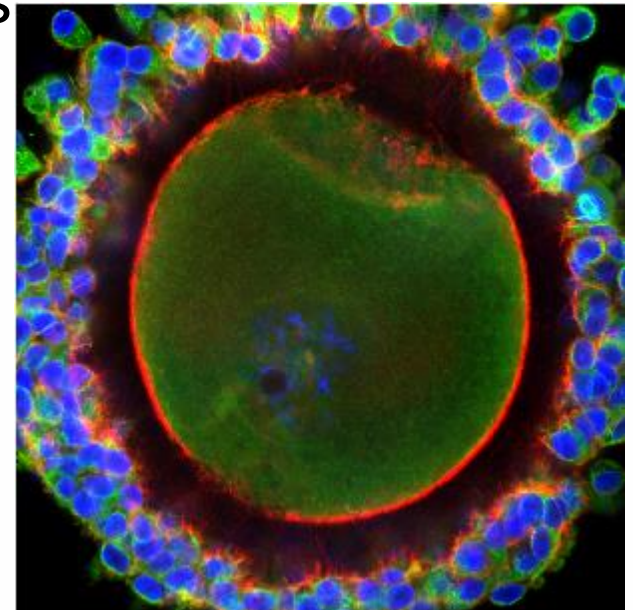


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Metabolic Symbiosis

- Sharing Metabolism via gap junctions for most metabolic substrates, amino acids, choline, uridine, cholesterol (but not folate (Baltz, Schultz, Eppig)
- Sharing “informative” molecules via unknown mechanisms including miRNAs (Robert, Sirard)

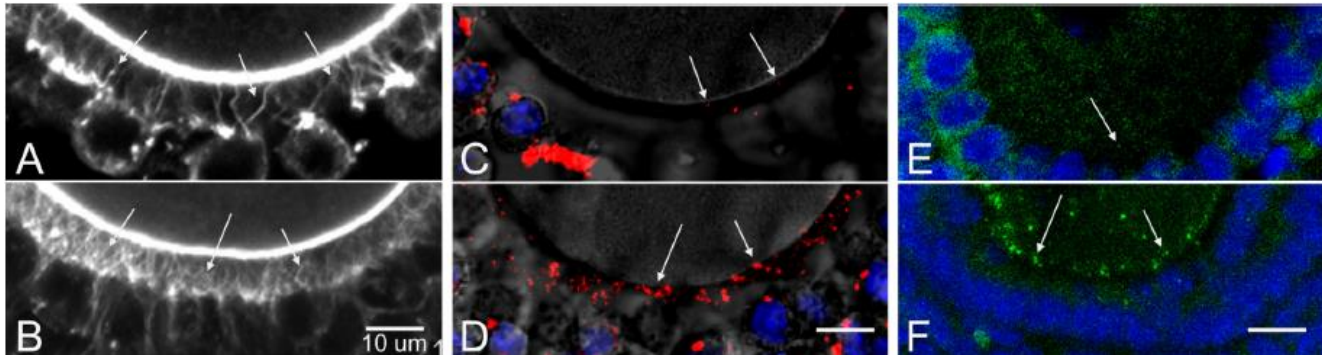
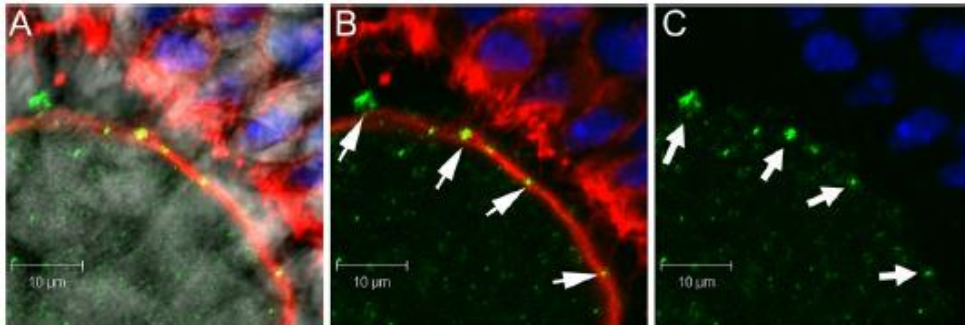
Sharing organelles (?) by direct exchange of cytoplasm, receptor-mediated endocytosis, exosomes



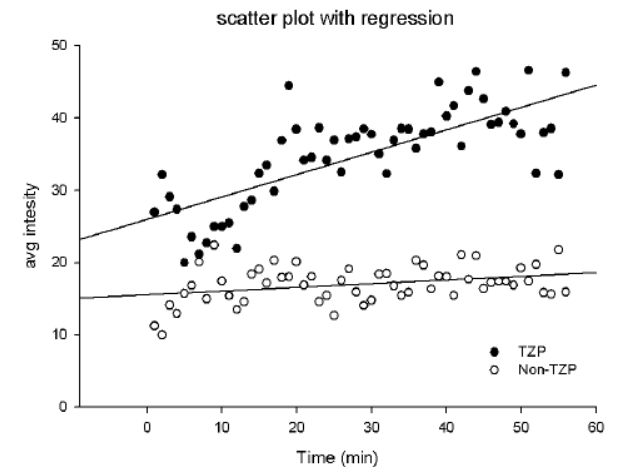
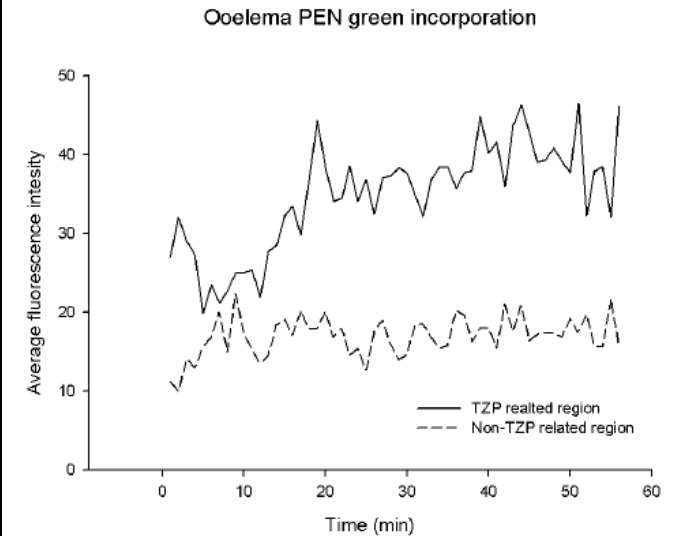
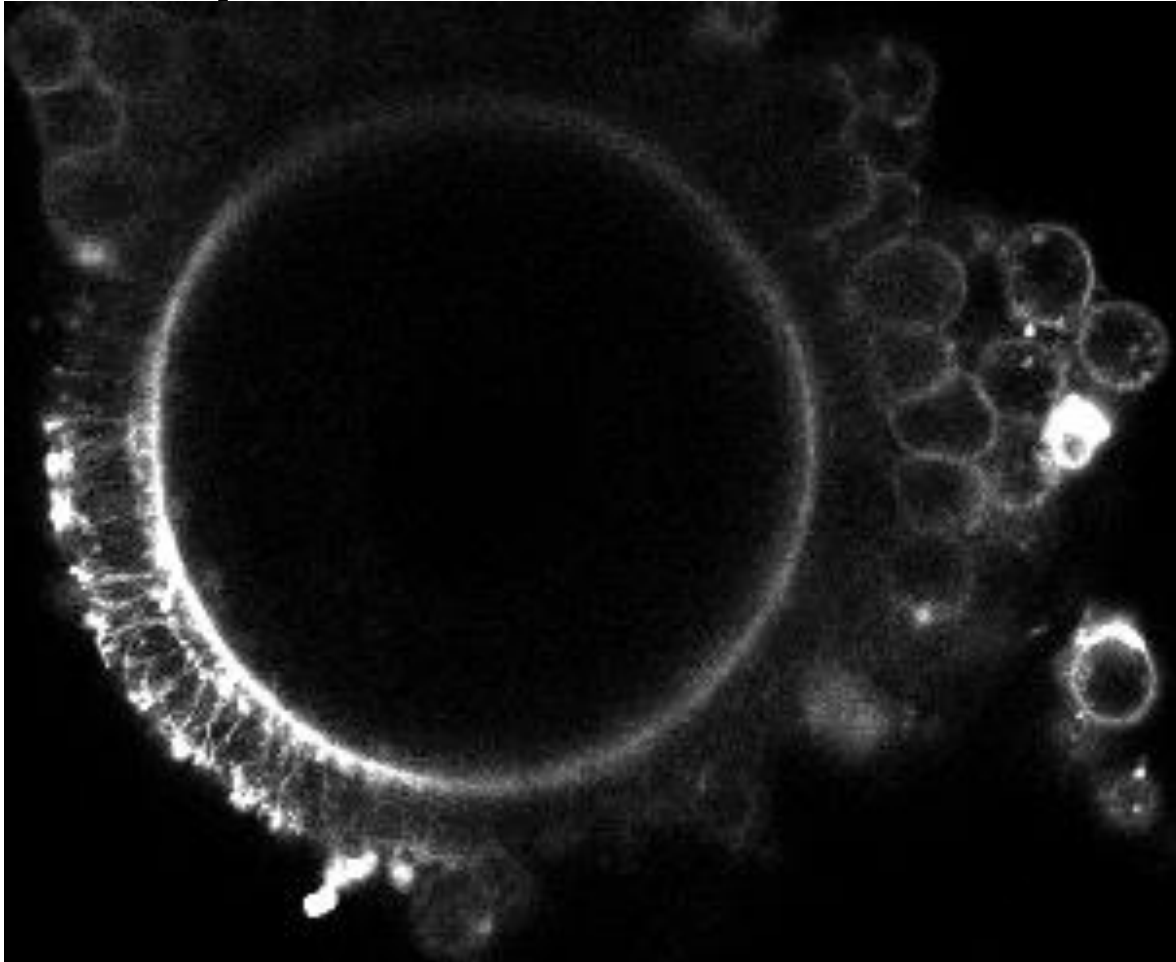
Role of focal adhesion kinase in oocyte-follicle communication

McGinnis and Kinsey, Mol Reprod Dev. 2015

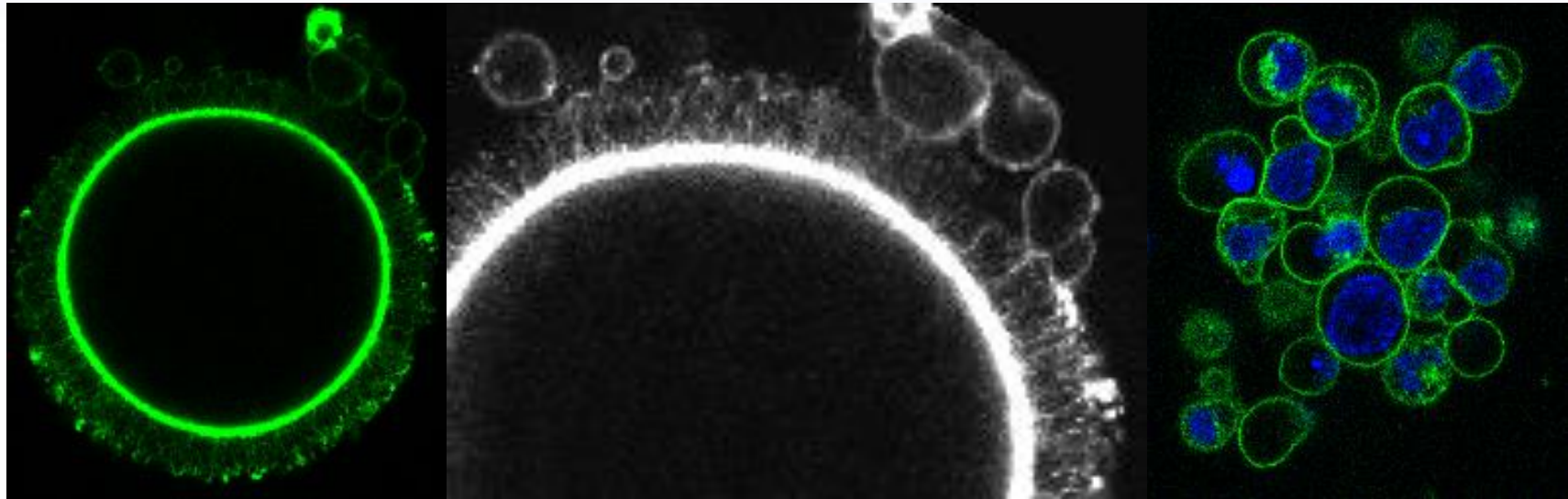
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Penn-Green Labeled Bovine Oocyte



Tracking Cholesterol Movement



Penn-Green, 10 min, 37C Bovine Cumulus-Oocyte-Complex

Eppig et al., 2010, De Novo Cholesterol Synthesis occurs in cumulus cells and Incorporation into oocyte requires contact with oolemma

Membrane bound cholesterol diffuses through TZPs (transzonal projections)

Adjusting Communication Needs-Remodelling The Interface

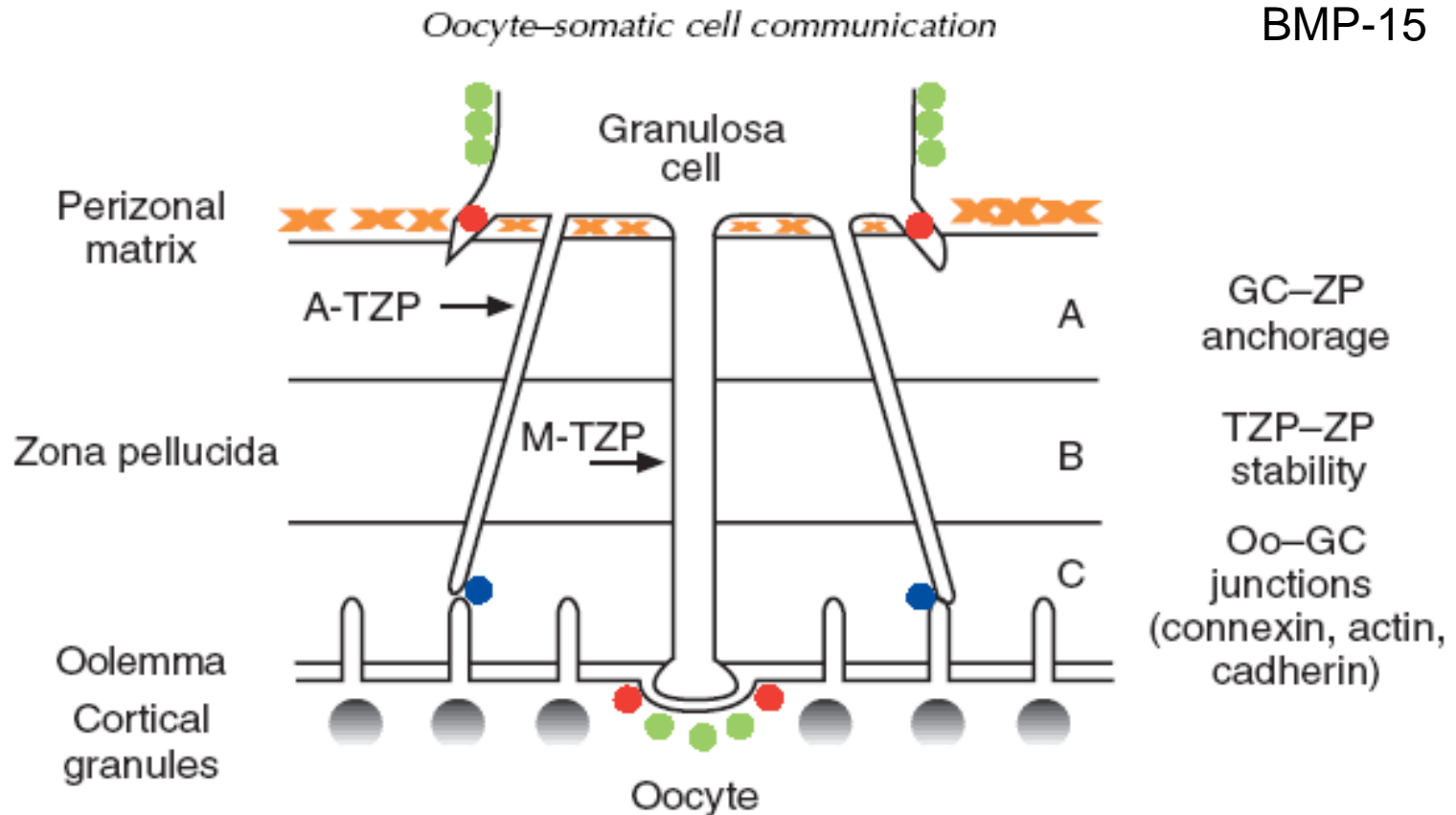


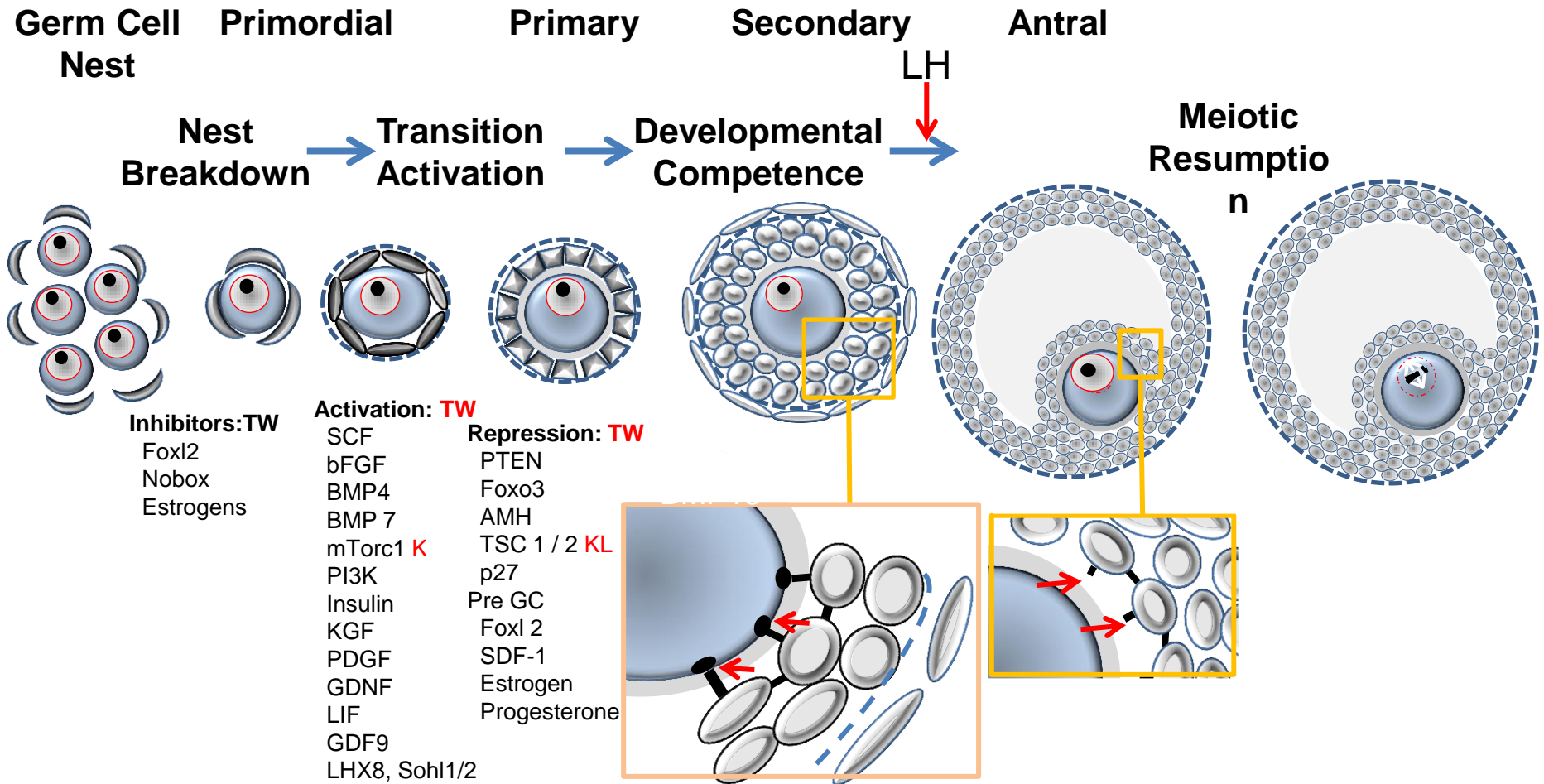
Gap junction

ATP
GSH
Sterols
Pyruvate
cAMP

Paracrine

Kit Ligand
GDF9
BMP-15





The signals for follicle activation

RESEARCH ARTICLE

Control of Oocyte Reawakening by Kit

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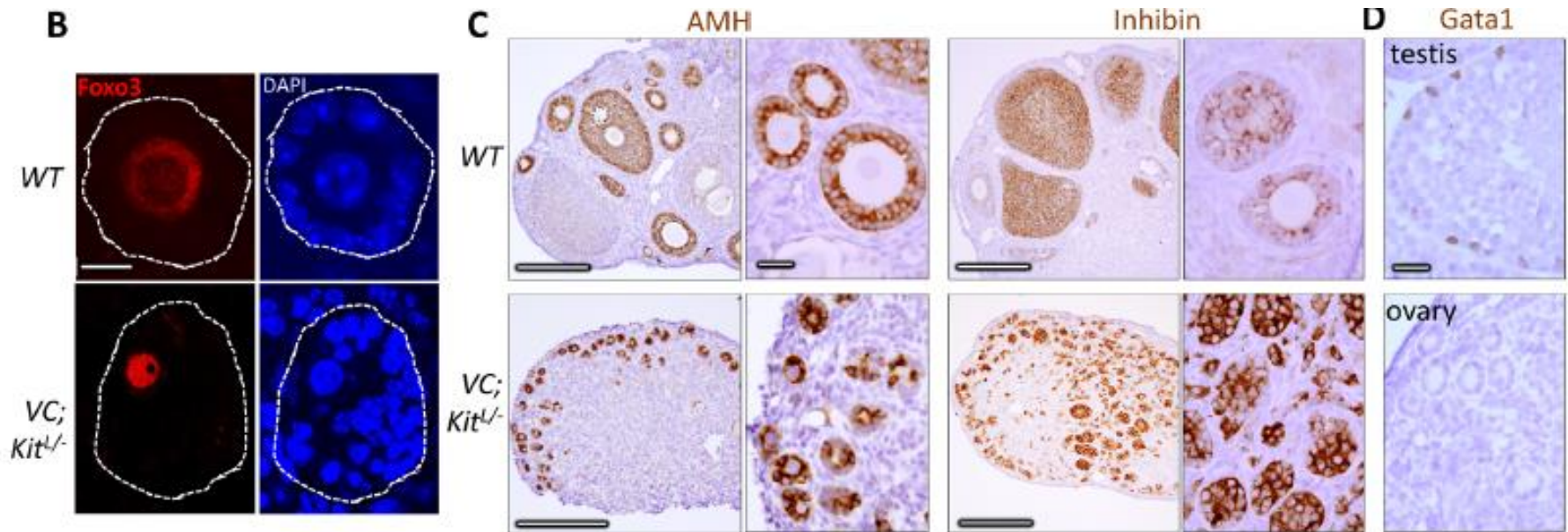
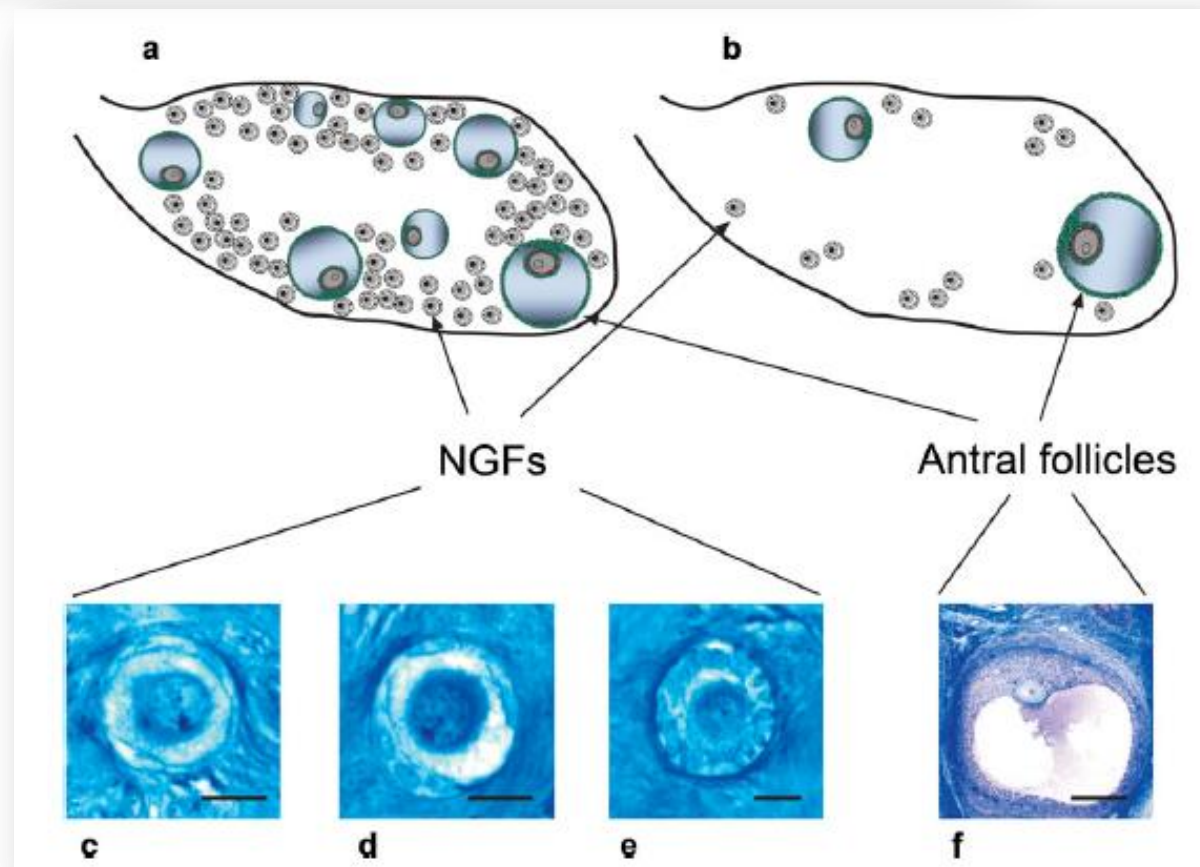


Fig 7. Marker studies of Kit-deficient oocytes are consistent with specific defect in oocyte reawakening via Foxo3. (A) Immunohistochemistry for

A new model of reproductive aging: the decline in ovarian non-growing follicle number from birth to menopause

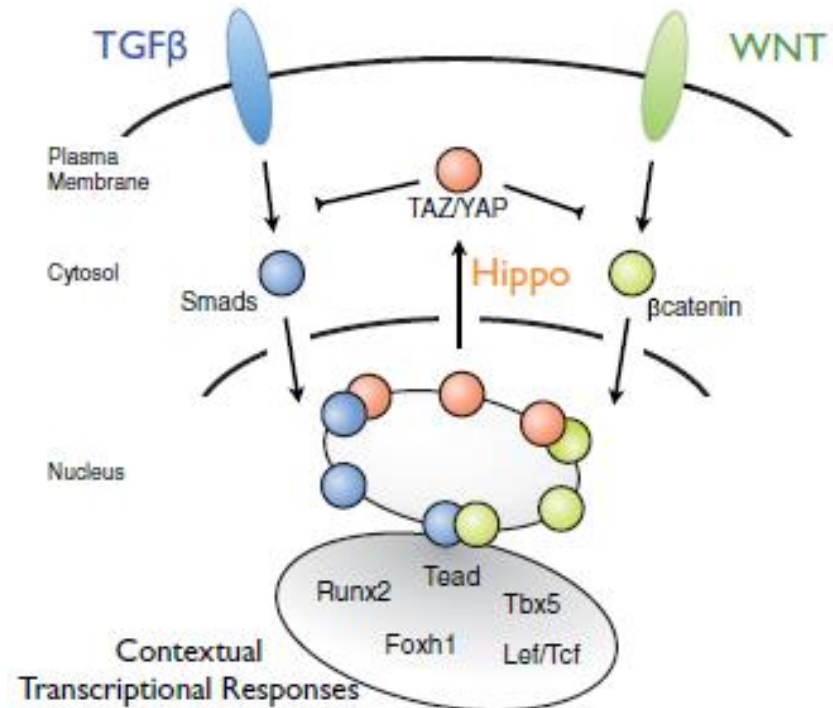
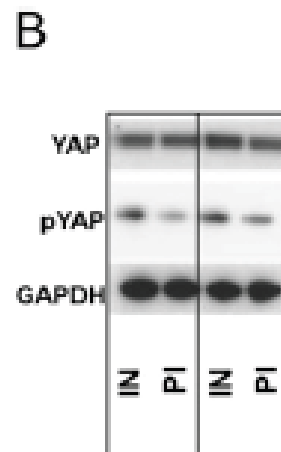
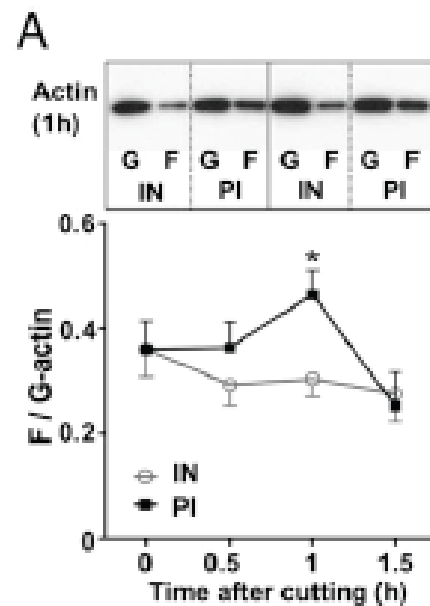
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Controlling follicle activation

Hippo signaling disruption and Akt stimulation of ovarian follicles for infertility treatment

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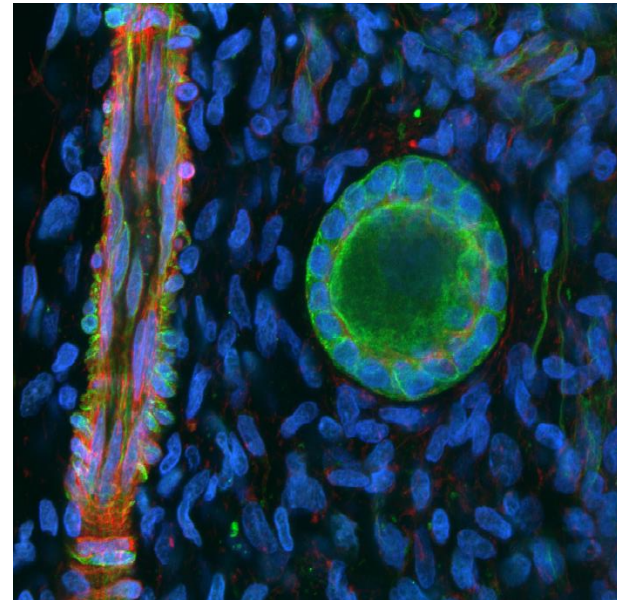
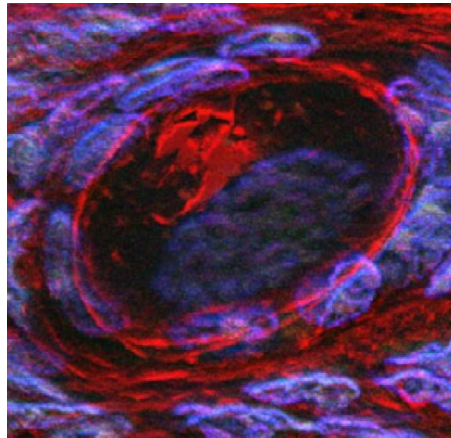
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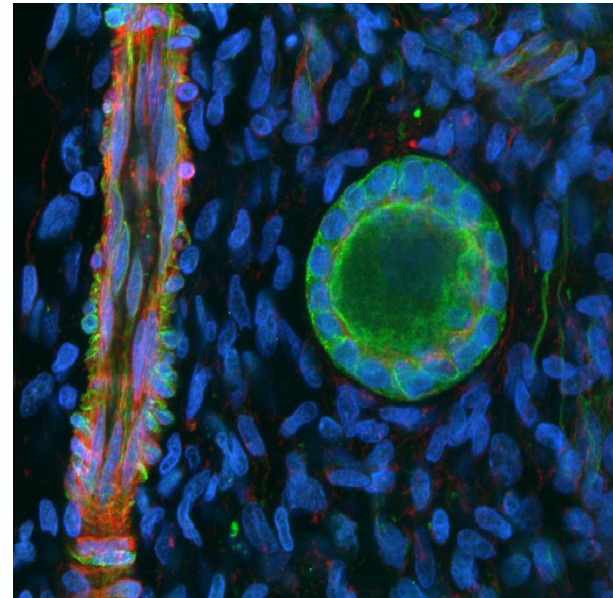
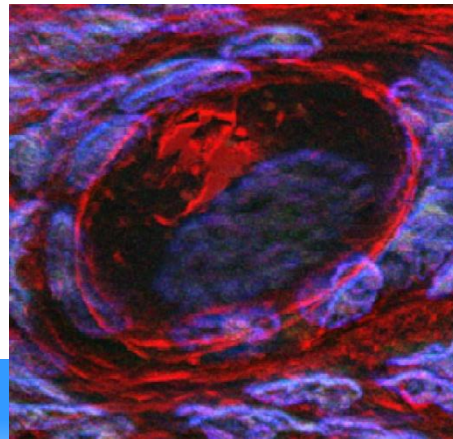
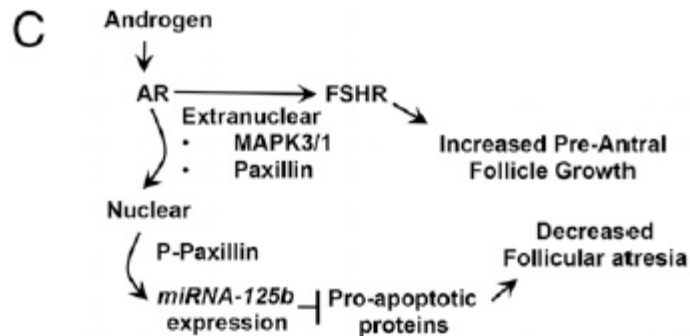
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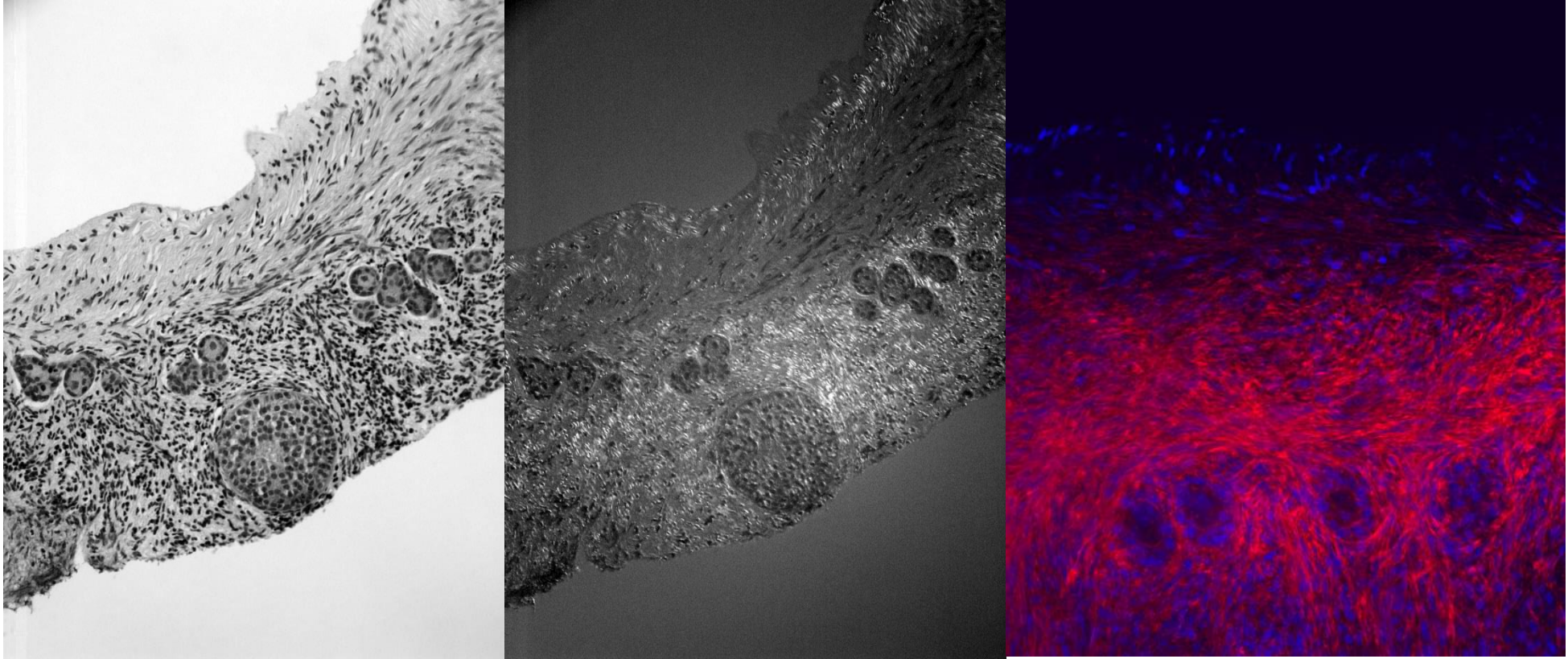
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Actin binding protein mobilization during follicle activation

During follicle growth-the stroma



New ways to study, and think about, the ovarian reserve

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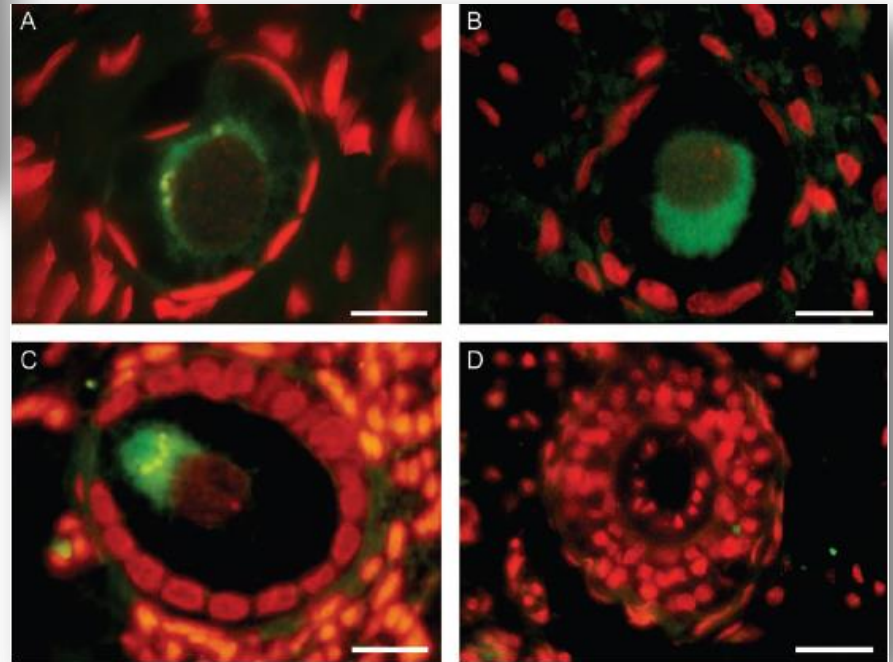
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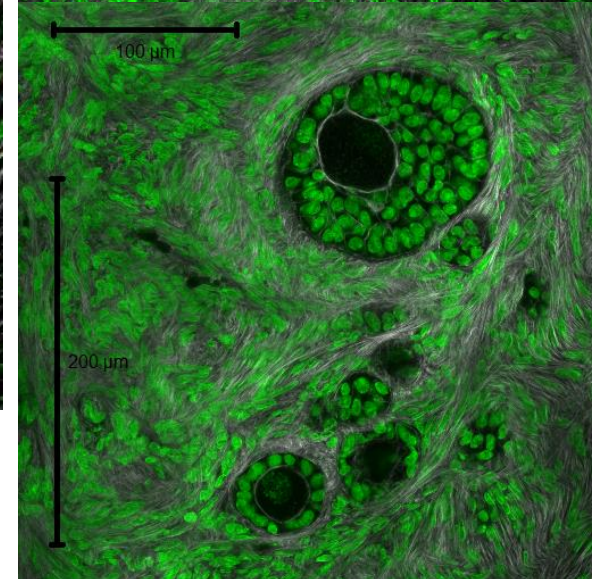
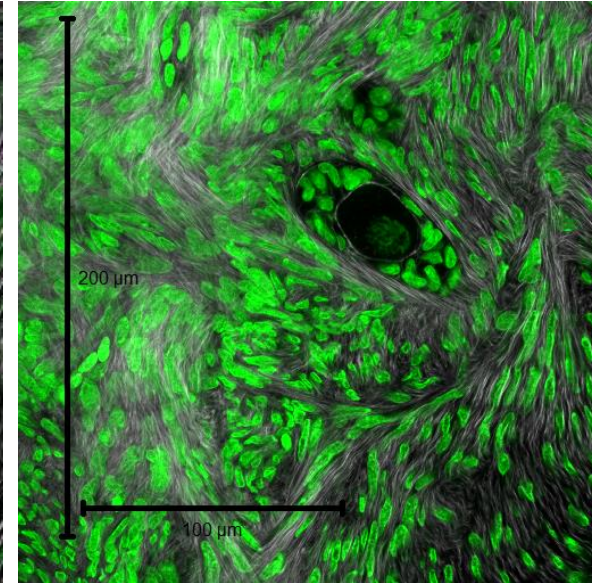
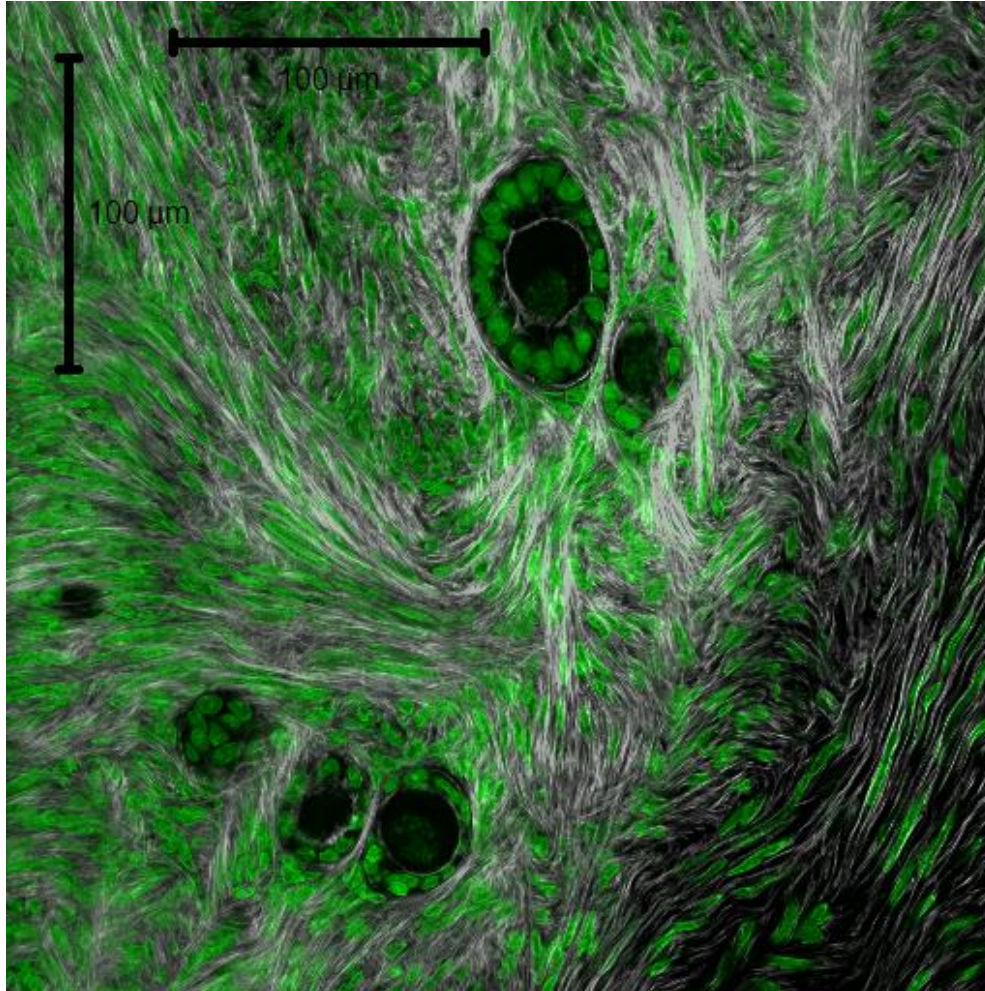
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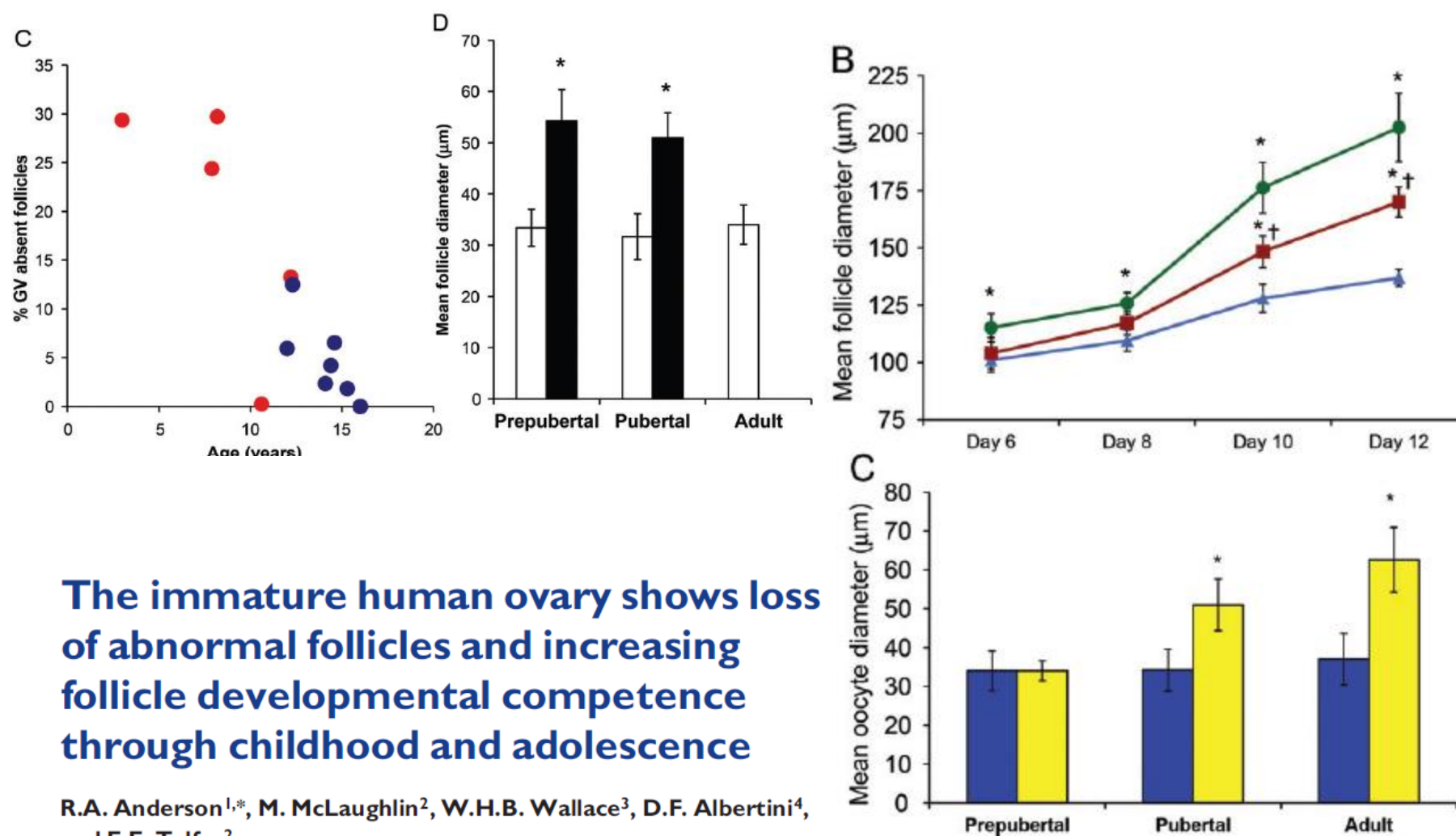


Infant

Pubertal

Contractile Stroma





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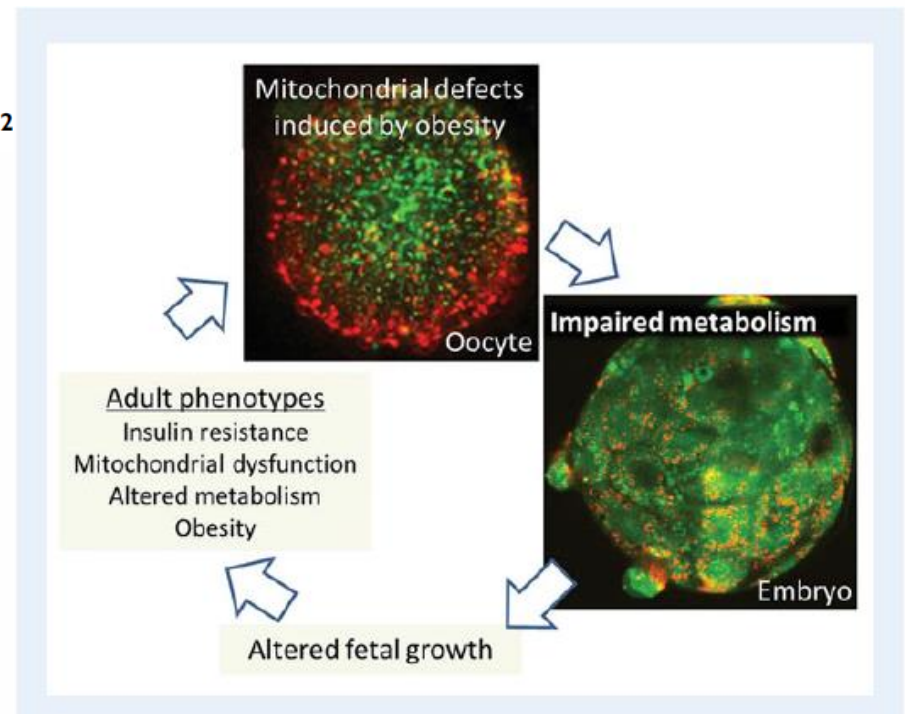
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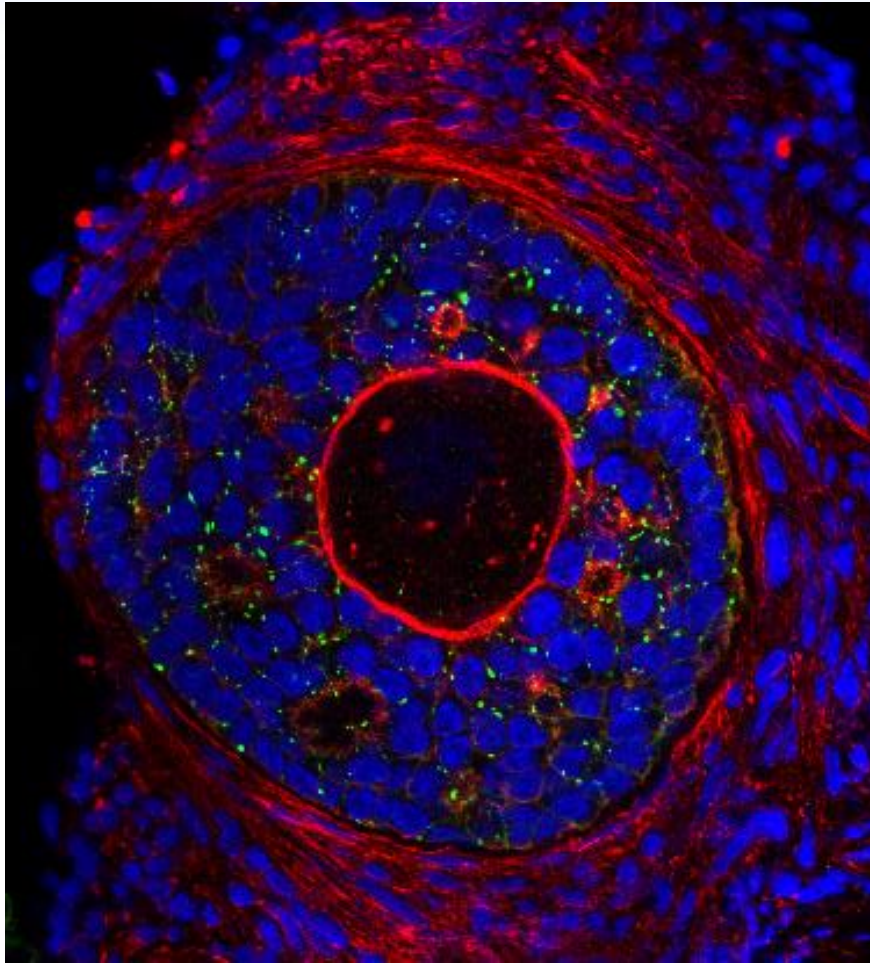
Developmental programming of obesity and insulin resistance: does mitochondrial dysfunction in oocytes play a role?

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Dynamic reciprocity-contractile constraints generate force at



Boundary of follicle-the theca as muscle

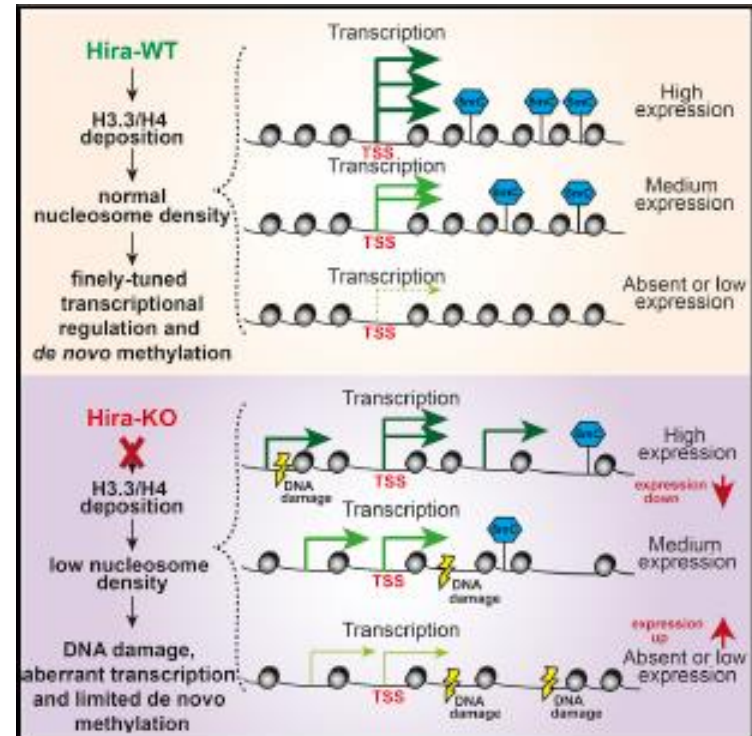
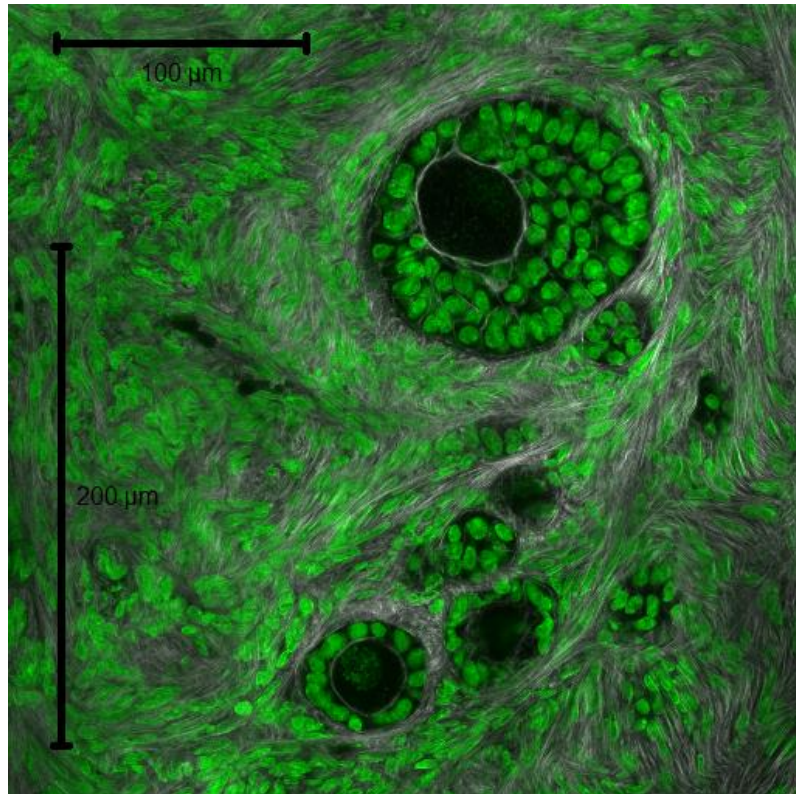
Boundary between oocyte and granulosa

Boundary between granulosa cells

Chromatin Remodelling is Continuous

Molecular Cell

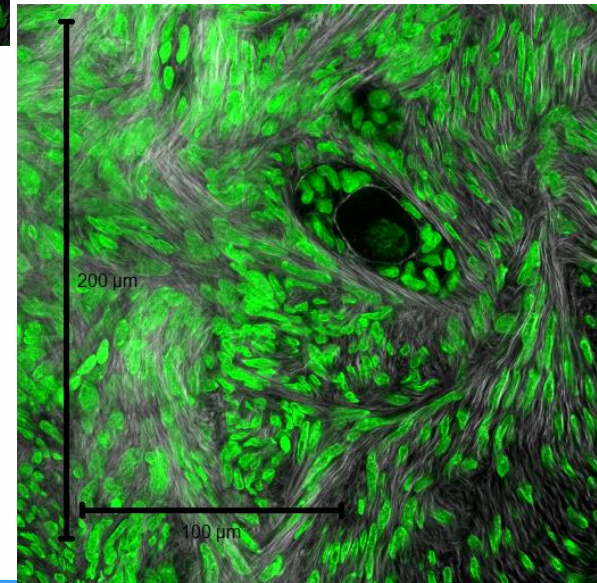
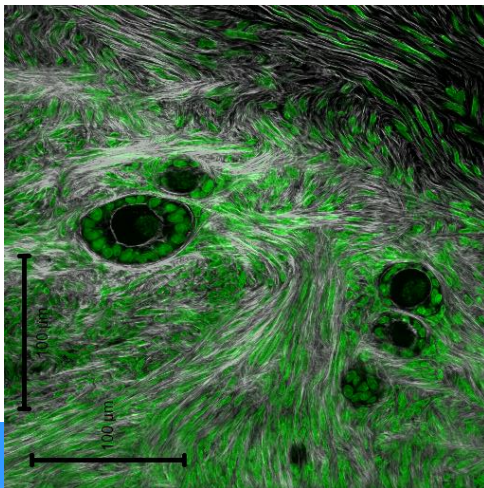
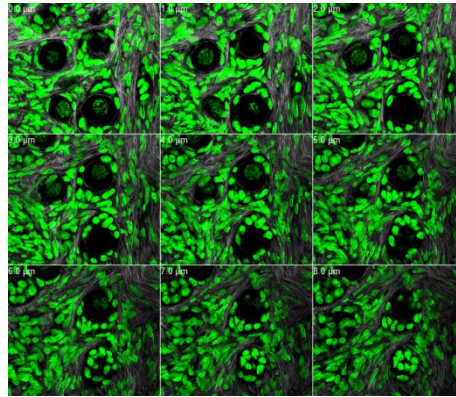
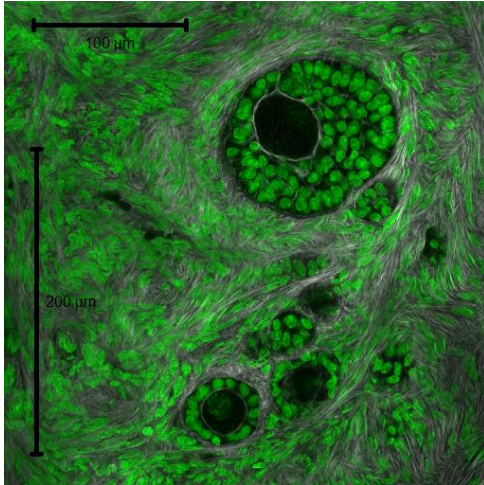
Continuous Histone Replacement by Hira Is Essential for Normal Transcriptional Regulation and De Novo DNA Methylation during Mouse Oogenesis



Highlights

- Histone H3/H4 replacement is continuous and mediated by Hira during mouse oogenesis

Contractile Stroma



Motility within the follicle



Impact on embryo quality

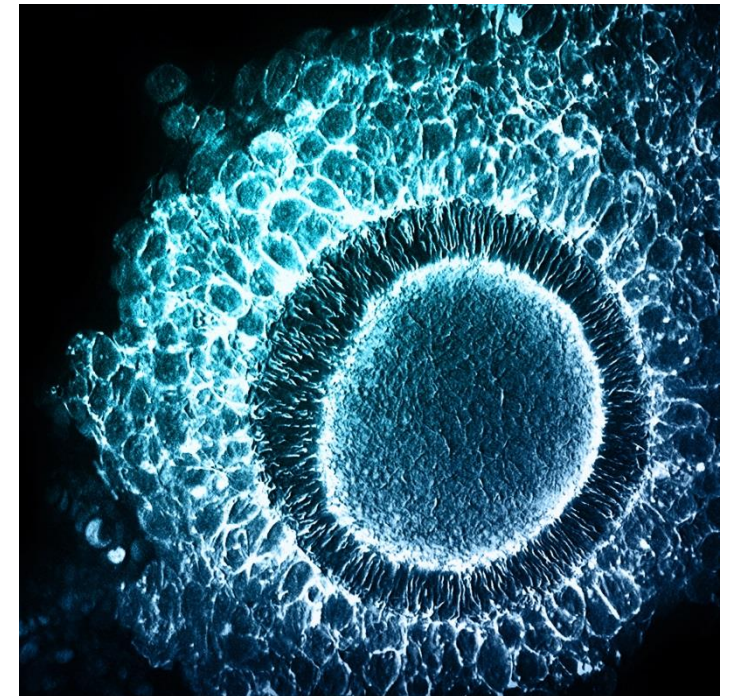
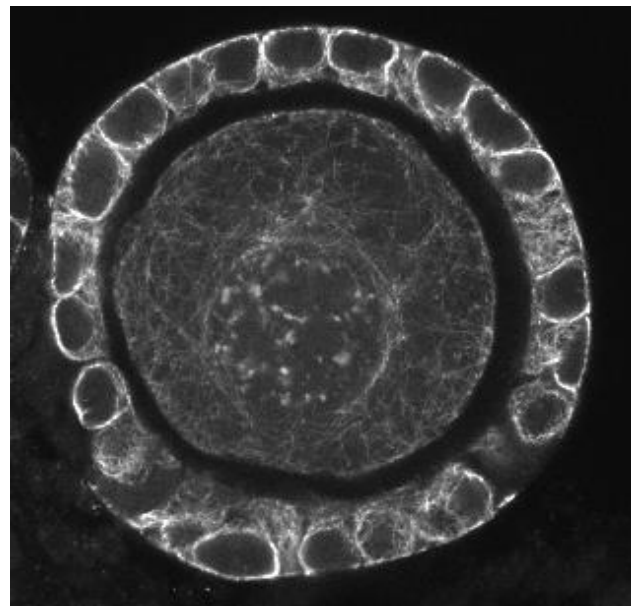
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Determinants: embryo-modifying agents

- ***Innate.....***

- Maternal dowry
- Mitochondria
- Cell Junctions
- Ion stores
- Sperm contributions (centrioles, lncRNAs)
- Genomes
(nuclear/mitochondrial)
- Imprinting Control System

- ***Acquired.....***

- Maternal Metabolism
- Lifestyle/Diet
- Iatrogenic
(COH, Culture, Cryo,
Biopsies D3 or D5/6)

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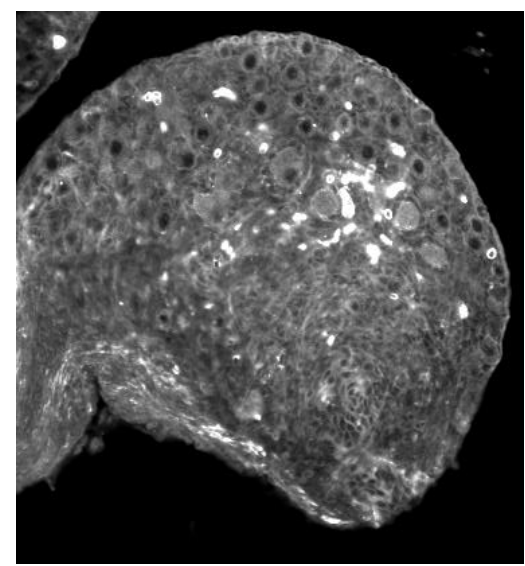
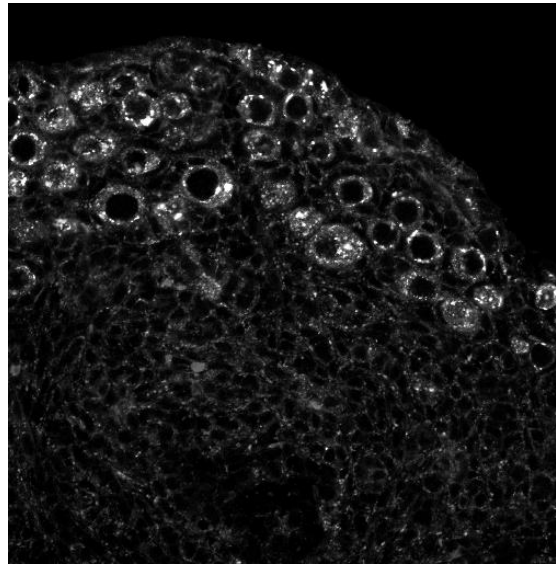
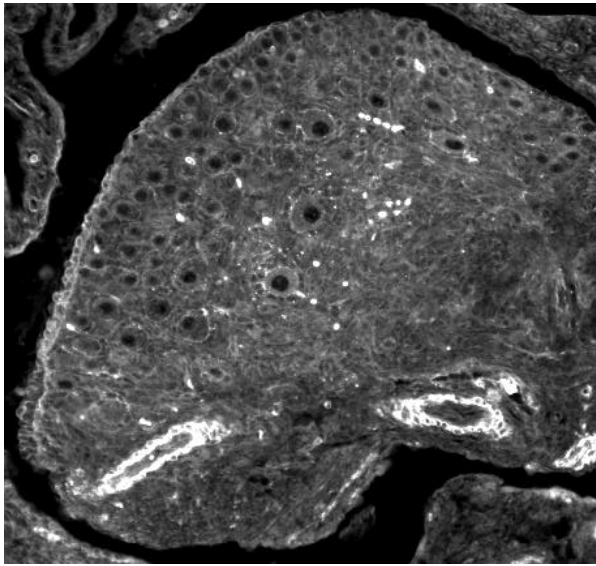
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Oogenesis in vitro

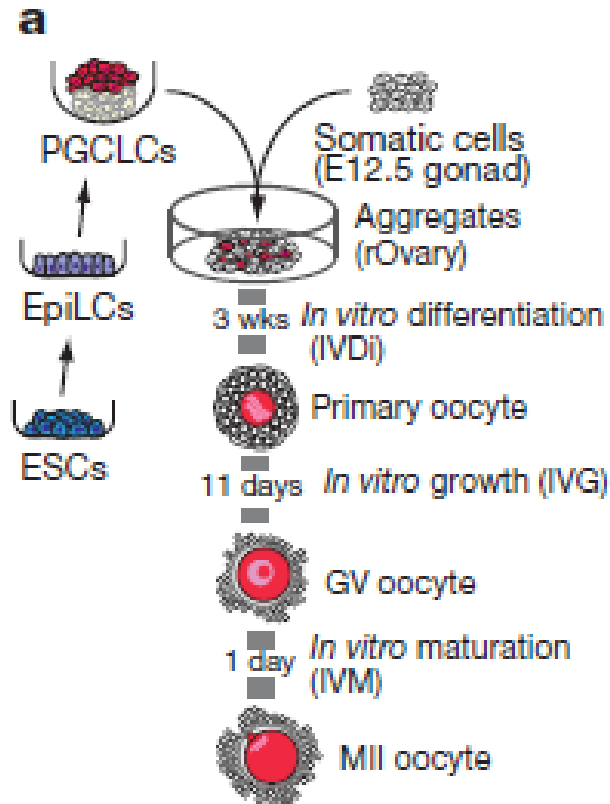
Complete *in vitro* generation of fertile oocytes from mouse primordial germ cells

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Reconstitution *in vitro* of the entire cycle of the mouse female germ line

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At least in the mouse system, there is some degree of autonomy in signaling if the germ somatic pairing is of an equivalent stage of follicle development

Keys were ER antagonism and modest physical Changes to system (PVP)

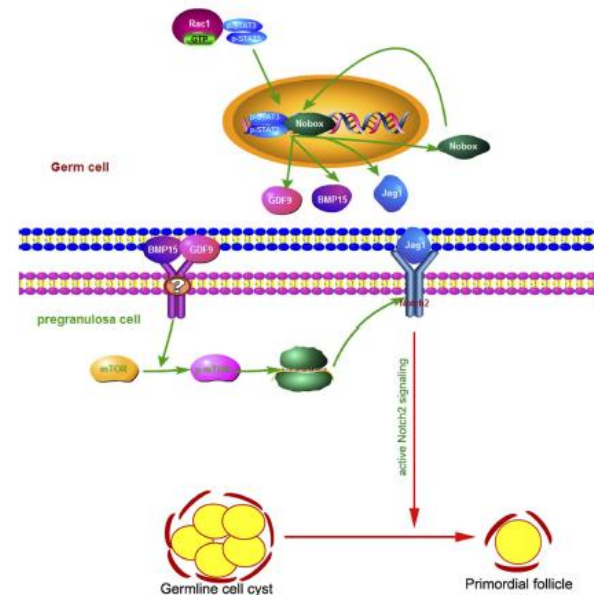
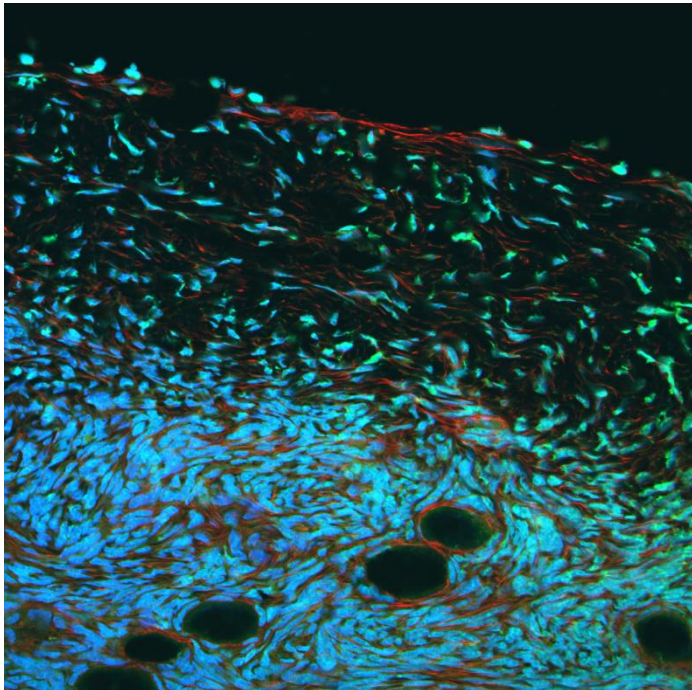
And delayed introduction of FSH/LH

Suggests paracrine players act on cue?

Multiple paracrine pathways

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Breaching the physical constraints imposed signal transduction from the basement membrane, through the actin cytoskeleton, to the oocyte nucleus

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