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## ABSTRACT

The X-linked gene *DDX3X* and its Y-linked homolog *DDX3Y* comprise one of 17 gene pairs retained on the human X and Y chromosomes during their evolution from ordinary autosomes; both genes are widely expressed in human tissues. Mutations of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* result in a wide range of sex-dependent phenotypes, necessitating the study of their regulation.

In this thesis, we show that *DDX3X* is extraordinarily dosage-sensitive, and that perturbation of either *DDX3X* or *DDX3Y* expression is buffered -- by negative cross-regulation of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* in 46,XY cells, and by negative auto-regulation of *DDX3X* in 46,XX cells. In 46,XY cells, knockdown of either *DDX3X* or *DDX3Y* by CRISPRi causes transcript levels of the homologous gene to rise. In 46,XX cells, chemical inhibition of *DDX3X* protein activity elicits an increase in *DDX3X* transcript levels. This regulation is mediated through mRNA stability and buffers total levels of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* protein in human cells. Our findings indicate that gene regulatory mechanisms present on ancestral autosomes were retained and modified during the 200-million-year evolution of the human sex chromosomes.

This regulation has key consequences for human diseases. We re-analyzed data from the Cancer Dependency Map to identify genetic dependencies on the broadly expressed regulators on the Y chromosome. We find that *DDX3Y* is required for the survival of a set of cancer cell lines that present with loss-of-function mutations in *DDX3X*, uncovering a novel dependency in male tumors. Altogether, this work identifies a regulatory mechanism on the human sex chromosomes that has important consequences for human disease.

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## **Chapter 1: Introduction**

In mammals, sex determination is achieved by sex chromosome constitution: Typical females have two X chromosomes and typical males have one X and one Y chromosome in their cells. Specifically, it is a gene on the Y chromosome that determines gonadal sex (Koopman et al., 1991). The expression of Y-linked transcription factor *Sry* activates a signaling cascade in the early embryo leading to testis development in males (Sekido & Lovell-Badge, 2009). In females, the X chromosomes are present in two distinct epigenetic configurations, the 'active' X ( $X_a$ ) and the 'inactive' X ( $X_i$ ).  $X_a$  is transcriptionally active and expresses most of its genetic content, approximately 800 genes. Conversely,  $X_i$  is marked by closed chromatin and limited gene expression; only 25% of X-encoded genes are expressed from  $X_i$  (Lyon, 1962; San Roman et al., 2023). The X and Y chromosomes are largely non-recombining except for a small pseudoautosomal region (Skaletsky et al., 2003) and the difference in X and Y content represents the largest source of genetic variation in the human population.

X and Y differentiation is the result of Y-chromosome gene loss over the course of sex chromosome evolution. While the present-day X chromosome retains 98% of its ancestral gene content, the Y has only retained about 3% (Skaletsky et al., 2003). These surviving genes are essential for male viability or fertility. This includes a class of genes known as 'X-Y pairs', homologous genes on the sex chromosomes that are highly dosage-sensitive and haploinsufficient (Bellott et al., 2014). These critical homologs are broadly expressed throughout the human body and encode key

regulators of cellular function, and potential differences in their function and regulation represent an exciting avenue to study sex differences that are chromosomal in origin. What are the mechanisms by which these genes give rise to sex differences in health and disease? How can we understand their regulation in XX and XY individuals? These are the questions this thesis aims to answer by focusing on *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y*, a highly conserved, essential X-Y homologous pair.

In this introduction, I will first describe the evolutionary history of the X and Y chromosomes to explain the origin and significance of the X-Y gene pairs. I will then describe *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* in detail, highlighting their protein function and deep conservation, including the breadth of DDX3 homologs. This will also include a summary of the current studies on the similarities and differences between *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y*. Moreover, I will highlight several phenotypes associated with mutation and overexpression of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* and how they present in a sex-dependent manner, providing insight into their critical roles across the human body. Currently, there are no studies on the regulation of these genes, which could be critical to understand the sex differential phenotypes caused by changes in *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* gene dosage. My study of regulatory mechanisms governing *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y*, as well as their contribution to human phenotypes, will be the subjects of Chapters 2 and 3.

## **EVOLUTION OF THE MAMMALIAN SEX CHROMOSOMES**

## Evolution from autosomes

The mammalian sex chromosomes evolved from an ordinary pair of autosomes over the past 200 million years. This began with the acquisition of a sex-determining gene on one of the chromosomes (Ohno, 1967). In mammals, this is *Sry* on the Y chromosome. Recombination was then suppressed between the two chromosomes resulting in differentiation of the homologous chromosomes. This was caused by a series of at least four inversions on the Y chromosome, leading to loss of recombination outside the pseudoautosomal ends. There are four evolutionary strata corresponding to these events, where gene order of the X chromosome genes is unperturbed (Lahn & Page, 1999). The resulting present-day Y chromosome only recombines with the X in the pseudoautosomal region, identical sequences on the tip of the sex chromosomes. These regions are crucial for proper alignment of the X and Y chromosomes during male meiosis (Burgoyne et al., 1992). Outside of these regions, gene content on the X (Non-pseudoautosomal X: NPX) and the Y (Non-pseudoautosomal Y: NPY) are diverged. The X chromosome has retained 98% of its ancestral genes while the Y has retained only 3%, as inferred from comparison to avian genomes where ancestral genes are autosomal (Bellott et al., 2010; Ross et al., 2005; Skaletsky et al., 2003).

While the X chromosome is able to recombine in mammalian females, the absence of a recombination partner led to the genetic decay of the Y chromosome. The Y chromosome behaves as one recombination unit, and this mode of inheritance reduces selection efficiency. There are several hypotheses to explain gene decay on

the Y. One of them is genetic ‘hitchhiking,’ where deleterious mutations that lead to erosion are brought along with beneficial mutations at other loci (Rice, 1987). Conversely, beneficial mutations could be lost due to their association with deleterious alleles, termed ‘background selection’ (Charlesworth et al., 1993). As the Y chromosome has a small effective population size (there are three X chromosomes for every Y in the population), it is also susceptible to the ‘Muller’s Ratchet’ hypothesis (Muller, 1964). As the Y chromosome gains deleterious mutations, genetic drift and the absence of recombination leads to the loss of the least mutated Y chromosome, and the constant accumulation of mutations (Engelstädter, 2008). Previous work has argued that complete Y decay will lead to the extinction of the chromosome (Graves, 2006). However, genomic sequencing of multiple mammalian Y chromosomes demonstrates that the gene content on the mammalian Y has reached relative stability. Human Y chromosomes have lost very few genes since diverging from other primate lineages as well as more distant lineages, such as bull and mouse (Hughes et al., 2012, 2020).

## **HOMOLOGOUS GENES ON THE X and Y CHROMOSOMES**

### **Gene content on the Y chromosome**

The relative stability of the Y chromosome suggests that the remaining Y-linked genes have been preserved by selection for male fertility and viability. Indeed, the majority of 45, X embryos (missing a second sex chromosome) are inviable, and the presence of a Y chromosome is sufficient to confer viability (Hook & Warburton, 1983). What are the

genes that are preserved on the Y? Sequencing of the NPY region revealed that the gene content on the Y is broadly split into three categories: 1. Genes that reside in large amplicons that are comprised of palindromes and tandem repeats ('Ampliconic'), 2. Genes that reside in a region nearly identical to the X chromosome resulting from an evolutionarily recent transposition event in the human lineage ('X-transposed) and 3. Genes that are homologous to the X-chromosome but not identical, marking them as ancestral ('X-degenerate') (Skaletsky et al., 2003).

The X-transposed region is largely depleted for functional genes, and the genes in the ampliconic region differ greatly from the X-degenerate genes. Ampliconic genes are expressed exclusively in the testis and many are involved in spermatogenesis, demonstrating their role in male fertility. In contrast, the X-degenerate genes (henceforth referred to as 'X-Y pairs') are expressed throughout the human body in males and have broad regulatory functions, making them candidates for conferring male viability. Indeed, it is argued that dosage-sensitivity is key to the survival of these genes: they are critical regulators of cellular processes like transcription, translation and signaling (Bellott et al., 2014). Effectively, two copies of such genes are expressed in XY males, resulting in maintenance of ancestral dosage (assuming functional equivalence between the X-Y pairs). But how is this dosage maintained in XX females?

### **Dosage compensation on the X chromosome**

All species with chromosomal sex determination have a homogametic (e.g. XX or ZZ) and heterogametic (e.g. XY or ZW) sex, thus necessitating the development of strategies for dosage compensation between the sexes. Different dosage compensation strategies have developed independently. These strategies include upregulating X-linked genes in XY males, as in *D. melanogaster*, and downregulating the X chromosomes in XX females, as in *C. elegans* (Disteche, 2012). In mammals, dosage compensation occurs through random X-inactivation, a cell-autonomous process where a single X chromosome is epigenetically inactivated in each cell of an XX female. The X-inactivation hypothesis was first put forth by Ohno who observed the presence of the highly heterochromatinized X in female cells (Barr & Bertram, 1949; Ohno, 1967). Mary Lyon further hypothesized that this condensation corresponded to the suppression of expression, equalizing the dosage of X chromosome genes in males and females (Lyon, 1962). This process involves the expression of *Xist*, a long non-coding RNA that coats the Xi, as well as the recruitment of repressive chromatin factors (Brown et al., 1991).

But what happens to the expression of genes with widely expressed and functionally coherent Y homologs? The X homologs of X-Y pair genes, along with a handful of other genes, are expressed from Xi, despite the widespread epigenetic silencing of the chromosome (Lahn & Page, 1997). This process varies among species, while only 3% of X chromosome genes are expressed from the mouse Xi, approximately 25% of human X genes are expressed from Xi (Berletch et al., 2011; San

Roman et al., 2023). Sometimes referred to as ‘escape’ from X-inactivation, the precise mechanism of this gene-by-gene dosage compensation strategy is as yet not defined. Regardless, it enables both alleles of dosage-sensitive regulators to be expressed in XX females, ensuring female viability and matching the expression from X-Y pair genes in XY males.

However, there could be differences in 1) the function of the X vs Y encoded protein, 2) the regulation of the X vs Y homolog or 3) the regulation of the X homolog in XX cells vs the X-Y gene pair in XY cells. Any of these scenarios would result in a sex difference between XX females and XY males. The dosage sensitivity and broad function of these homologs also implies that even subtle differences in expression or function could result in genome-wide changes to the transcriptome/translatome, resulting in phenotypic changes. In this thesis, I elucidate one example of such a phenomenon, resulting from the study of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* regulation.

## ***DDX3X* and *DDX3Y*: FUNCTION, CONSERVATION and PHENOTYPES**

### **DDX3X function**

*DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* belong to a class of RNA-binding proteins known as DEAD or DEAH box helicases. While members of the family perform diverse cellular functions, most of the proteins can hydrolyze ATP to bind and remodel RNA. As a result, they all contain an RNA binding and ATPase domain as well as a highly conserved helicase



core including the Asp-Glu-Ala-Asp/His catalytic center from which they derive their name (Rosner & Rinkevich, 2007). The proteins largely have unstructured N and C-termini, often associated with their localization and/or oligomerization.

DDX3X works as a cooperative dimer to unwind double-stranded RNA duplexes. It binds to the sugar-phosphate backbone of double-stranded RNAs that have single-stranded regions 3' of the duplex. It is then able to unwind such duplexes in an ATP-dependent manner (Song & Ji, 2019). The duplex is first locally destabilized upon ATP binding; dissociation and enzyme recycling occur upon ATP hydrolysis. DDX3X is particularly effective at unwinding long, complex RNA structures using iterative cycles of binding and dissociation. This function is primarily studied in translation initiation; DDX3X is a key part of the pre-initiation scanning complex (Soto-Rifo & Ohlmann, 2013). It is responsible for unwinding 5' UTR RNA structure prior to the start codon, promoting the translation of genes with structurally complex UTRs. Indeed, knockdown of *DDX3X* abrogates the translational efficiency of hundreds of mRNAs with long and GC-rich 5' UTRs (Calviello et al., 2021). DDX3X directly binds these UTRs as well as thousands of other mRNAs. While the role of DDX3X binding at genes with non-complex UTRs is not yet fully characterized, recent work suggests that this binding might lead to mRNA destabilization (Jowhar et al., 2023). DDX3X has also been associated with stress granule assembly, spliceosome activity, nuclear export and viral response. I discuss these secondary functions below.

DDX3X has been affinity purified with components of the spliceosome as well as spliced mRNPs in vivo. It is strongly associated with many core proteins of the exon-junction complex, such as Y1F and Magoh. It appears to be dispensable for global mRNA splicing and knockdown of *DDX3X* does not interfere with proper splicing in reporter assays (Soto-Rifo & Ohlmann, 2013). *DDX3X* knockdown does change the ratio of *KLF4* splicing isoforms in breast cancer cells, suggesting a limited role in the splicing of select genes (Cannizzaro et al., 2018). DDX3X also strongly associates with mRNA and protein nuclear export factors such as NXF1 and CRM1 (Fröhlich et al., 2016). As DDX3X is mostly cytoplasmic and has a critical role in translation, this could suggest a role for DDX3X in post-transcriptional mRNA export. However, knockdowns of *DDX3X* show that it does not affect the global nuclear to cytoplasmic ratios of mRNAs; it is not essential for the vast majority of nuclear export (Lai et al., 2008).

DDX3X is a core component of stress granules, which sequester specific mRNPs to achieve a stress-induced translational activation and repression program. Genetic or chemical inhibition of DDX3X disrupts the assembly and disassembly of these granules suggesting that the enzymatic activity of this protein is key for proper cellular stress response (Cui et al., 2020). The relatively unstructured N- and C-termini of DDX3X undergo the liquid-liquid phase separation that allow for this sequestration (Valentin-Vega et al., 2016). In macrophages, sequestered vs free DDX3X levels serve as a 'live-or-die' checkpoint by balancing the stress response vs the cell-death response (Samir et al., 2019). DDX3X is also essential to activate the Interferon signaling pathway

through *Infb* transcription. It is an essential co-factor of the TBK1/IKK transcription factor complex in promoting *Infb* transcription and is associated with the *Infb* promoter.

DDX3X can also repress the activity of the E-cadherin promoter, though the mechanism of this process is not well-understood (Soulat et al., 2008; Wu et al., 2014).

### **Similarities and differences with *DDX3Y***

While the majority of functional work on these proteins focuses on DDX3X, there have been few insights into the molecular functions of DDX3Y. I summarize this work here and compare and contrast DDX3X and DDX3Y function. The X- and Y-encoded proteins are 91% identical at the amino acid level (Lahn & Page, 1997). While they have significantly diverged in their N- and C-terminal regions, the RNA binding, ATPase and helicase domains are largely conserved.

Early experiments showed that DDX3Y is functionally interchangeable with DDX3X *in vitro* in ensuring cell viability (Sekiguchi et al., 2004). More recent work has shown that the proteins have partially overlapping functions. They bind similar mRNAs *in vivo* and have similar effects on translation initiation in exogenous expression experiments, lending further evidence to their interchangeability (Venkataramanan et al., 2021). However, the proteins have different *in-vitro* affinities for double-stranded RNA. DDX3Y binds RNA less tightly than DDX3X and displays slower duplex unwinding (Owens et al., 2022). While these subtle differences may be overcome by exogenous

overexpression experiments, they may have consequences at cellular concentrations. The two proteins also have differing capacities for stress granule formation and translational repression; the unstructured regions of DDX3Y are able to form more rigid liquid condensates, potentially leading to differences in how the two homologs activate the stress response (Shen et al., 2022).

### **Conservation and orthologs**

*DDX3X* is highly conserved, with orthologs in mammals, flies, worms, and yeast. *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* are maintained as an X-Y pair across all lineages of eutherian mammals for which we have high quality sequence, confirming their haploinsufficiency. In other lineages, *DDX3* orthologs are autosomal and have similarly essential functions in RNA metabolism. The *C. elegans* ortholog *Laf-1* is essential for germ-line development. LAF-1 is expressed most highly in embryos, where it promotes P-granule formation, but is expressed at all developmental stages (Elbaum-Garfinkle et al., 2015). In *D. melanogaster*, the *DDX3* ortholog *Belle* is an essential translation factor. Complete loss-of-function (LOF) mutations of *Belle* result in embryonic lethality while hypomorphs are sterile, consistent with high dosage-sensitivity across lineages (Johnstone et al., 2005). Indeed, even the yeast ortholog *Ded1* is essential and is a key translation initiation factor. In contrast with human DDX3X, *Ded1* regulates the translation of most mRNAs, while DDX3X aids in the translation of hundreds of complex mRNAs (Sharma et al., 2017).

There are also *DDX3Y*-specific paralogs in rodent lineages, as a result of retrotransposition from the Y chromosome. While many of these genes are pseudogenes and do not show protein activity, some, like rat *PL10*, have developed testis-specific expression and may play a role in the male reproductive tract (Chang & Liu, 2010).

### **Phenotypic consequences of perturbation**

The deep conservation of *DDX3X* and its essentiality/haploinsufficiency in many lineages suggests that perturbations to *DDX3X* and/or *DDX3Y* might be deleterious in humans. Indeed, human *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* mutations are associated with several disorders.

Germline mutations in *DDX3X* vs *DDX3Y* cause starkly different phenotypes in males. Rare germline mutations of *DDX3X* cause a neurodevelopmental disorder ('*DDX3X* syndrome') in males; only 5 such males have been identified (Kellaris et al., 2018; Nicola et al., 2019). Meanwhile, germline deletions of *DDX3Y*, encompassing what is termed the 'Azoospermia Factor a (AZFa)' region, have only been reported in cases of male infertility; these men present with azoospermia, or complete spermatogenic failure (Sun et al., 2000). This difference is also seen with somatic LOF mutations. *DDX3X* mutations drive many male-biased lymphomas, melanomas, medulloblastomas and leukemias (Brandimarte et al., 2014; Gong et al., 2021; Patmore et al., 2020; Phung et al., 2019). However, *DDX3Y* somatic mutations have not been

identified as drivers in human cancers. There are conflicting reports that several cancers might be marked by *DDX3X* or *DDX3Y* over-expression (He et al., 2018).

*DDX3X* mutations present differently in males vs females. Females with *DDX3X* syndrome have de novo mutations that completely ablate *DDX3X* helicase function (Snijders Blok et al., 2015). No males with these mutations have been reported, suggesting embryonic lethality in XY individuals. The aforementioned males with this syndrome inherit a hypomorphic allele from an unaffected mother. This suggests that all mutations result in better outcomes in females, which have a second copy of *DDX3X*.

Why do *DDX3X* mutations manifest phenotypically differently in females vs males? Why are there such stark differences in the phenotypic consequences of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* mutations in males? These questions have been difficult to answer due to the lack of scholarship about the relationship between the homologs. While *DDX3Y* is expressed throughout the human body in males, it has primarily been studied for its role in spermatogenesis. This is a result of early work that suggested that *DDX3Y* protein expression was restricted to the testis. However, recent studies have contradicted that theory and demonstrated robust *DDX3Y* protein expression in non-reproductive tissues (Godfrey et al., 2020). Still, there have been few studies of *DDX3Y* function and no studies of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* regulation.

This introduction highlights the importance of studying an evolutionary unique class of genes and summarizes the multi-functional roles of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* in the

cell. In Chapter 2, I describe my studies of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* regulation and uncover post-transcriptional auto- and cross-regulation that buffers changes to their expression. This regulation may underpin the sex differences in phenotypes I have described above. In Chapter 3, I ask if this regulatory phenomenon gives rise to previously unidentified gene dependencies in XY cancer cell lines. I find that cells with damaging *DDX3X* mutations become reliant on *DDX3Y* to survive, highlighting *DDX3Y* as a candidate druggable target in XY cancers. Finally, I suggest that studying the X-Y pair genes may serve in both identifying deeply conserved gene regulatory schemes and provide insight into the mechanisms behind sex-specific and sex-biased human phenotypes.

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## Chapter 2

### Post-transcriptional cross- and auto-regulation buffer expression of the human RNA helicases *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y*

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## Abstract

The Y-linked gene *DDX3Y* and its X-linked homolog *DDX3X* survived the evolution of the human sex chromosomes from ordinary autosomes. *DDX3X* encodes a multi-functional RNA helicase, with mutations causing developmental disorders and cancers. We find that *DDX3X* is extraordinarily dosage-sensitive and that perturbation of either *DDX3X* or *DDX3Y* expression is buffered -- by negative cross-regulation of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* in 46,XY cells, and by negative auto-regulation of *DDX3X* in 46,XX cells. Studying cells of individuals with sex chromosome aneuploidy, we find that when the number of Y chromosomes increases, *DDX3X* transcript levels fall; conversely, when the number of X chromosomes increases, *DDX3Y* transcript levels fall. In 46,XY cells, CRISPRi knockdown of either *DDX3X* or *DDX3Y* causes transcript levels of the homologous gene to rise. In 46,XX cells, chemical inhibition of *DDX3X* protein activity elicits an increase in *DDX3X* transcript levels. *DDX3X-DDX3Y* cross-regulation is mediated through mRNA destabilization – as shown by metabolic labeling of newly transcribed RNA -- and buffers total levels of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* protein in human cells. We infer that posttranscriptional auto-regulation of the ancestral (autosomal) *DDX3* gene transmuted into auto- and cross-regulation of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* as these sex-linked genes evolved from ordinary alleles of their autosomal precursor.

## Introduction

*DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* are homologous but non-identical genes on the human X and Y chromosomes (Lahn & Page, 1997). They encode pleiotropic RNA helicases implicated in multiple aspects of RNA metabolism, including stability, splicing, export, translation, and stress response (Soto-Rifo & Ohlmann, 2013). *DDX3X* is highly conserved, with orthologs in mammals, flies, worms, and yeast (Elbaum-Garfinkle et al., 2015; Johnstone et al., 2005; Sharma et al., 2017). Human *DDX3X* mutations are associated with several neurodevelopmental disorders and cancers (Snijders Blok et al., 2015; Valentin-Vega et al., 2016). *DDX3X* is expressed throughout the body from the “inactive” X chromosome (Xi) in females as well as from the “active” X chromosome (Xa) in males and females (Lahn & Page, 1997; Tukiainen et al., 2017). While *DDX3Y* is also ubiquitously expressed (from the Y chromosome) in males (Godfrey et al., 2020), it has primarily been studied for its role in spermatogenesis (Ramathal et al., 2015). The X- and Y-encoded proteins are 91% identical at the amino acid level (Lahn & Page, 1997). While they have significantly diverged in their N- and C-terminal regions, the RNA binding and helicase domains are largely conserved (Rosner & Rinkevich, 2007). Early experiments showed that *DDX3Y* was functionally interchangeable with *DDX3X* *in vitro* (Sekiguchi et al., 2004). More recent work has shown that the proteins have partially overlapping functions, with similar effects on protein synthesis (Venkataramanan et al., 2021) but differing capacities for stress granule formation and translational repression (Shen et al., 2022; Venkataramanan et al., 2021).

*DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* constitute one of 17 gene pairs on the human X and Y chromosomes that survived the chromosomes' evolution from two ordinary pairs of autosomes during the past 200 million years. A series of inversions suppressed crossing over between the X and Y chromosomes outside of a diminishing pseudoautosomal region (PAR), exposing the non-pseudoautosomal bulk of the Y chromosome to genetic decay (Lahn & Page, 1999). While the human X chromosome retains 98% of the genes present on the ancestral autosomes, only 3% remain on the human Y chromosome (Bellott et al., 2014). The surviving Y chromosome genes were preserved by selection to maintain the ancestral dosage of regulators of key cellular processes. As a group, these gene pairs are broadly expressed and highly dosage-sensitive. Among this select group of X-Y gene pairs, *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* are the only pair with starkly different developmental phenotypes reported with loss of function mutations. Males with *DDX3X* mutations are extremely rare and present with a disorder that causes neurodevelopmental, behavioral and cardiac phenotypes (Kellaris et al., 2018). Conversely, males with germline deletions of *DDX3Y* suffer from spermatogenic failure but are otherwise healthy (Sun et al., 2000). We reasoned that control of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* dosage might be especially crucial to understand this difference and sought to identify mechanisms that regulate *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* levels.

Here we report that *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* are extraordinarily dosage sensitive, even when compared with other human X-Y gene pairs. Their dosage is buffered by post-transcriptional cross-regulation in 46,XY cells, while *DDX3X* is post-



transcriptionally auto-regulated in 46,XX cells, consistent with this regulatory mechanism having been present on and preserved from the ancestral autosomes that evolved to become the human sex chromosomes.

## Results

### ***DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* are especially dosage-sensitive compared to genes with a similar evolutionary trajectory**

We first asked if *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* are more dosage-sensitive than other human X-Y gene pairs. For each of the 17 gene pairs, we tallied whether dosage sensitivity had necessitated 1) expression from Xi in human females and 2) maintenance of a Y-homolog across males of diverse species -- both features of highly dosage-sensitive genes (Bellott et al., 2014). We addressed the first point by re-analyzing Xi expression data recently generated from cultured human cells (San Roman et al., 2023).

For each Y-homolog, we asked if the gene is conserved across 15 therian (placental mammalian) species where high-quality, contiguous sequence assemblies of the sex chromosomes are available. Specifically, for each Y-homolog we calculated a phylogenetic branch length – the sum of all branch lengths connecting species where the gene is present, and thus a measure of the gene’s longevity on therian Y chromosomes. We also calculated survival fraction – the ratio of phylogenetic branch length to maximum possible branch length (Bellott & Page, 2021).

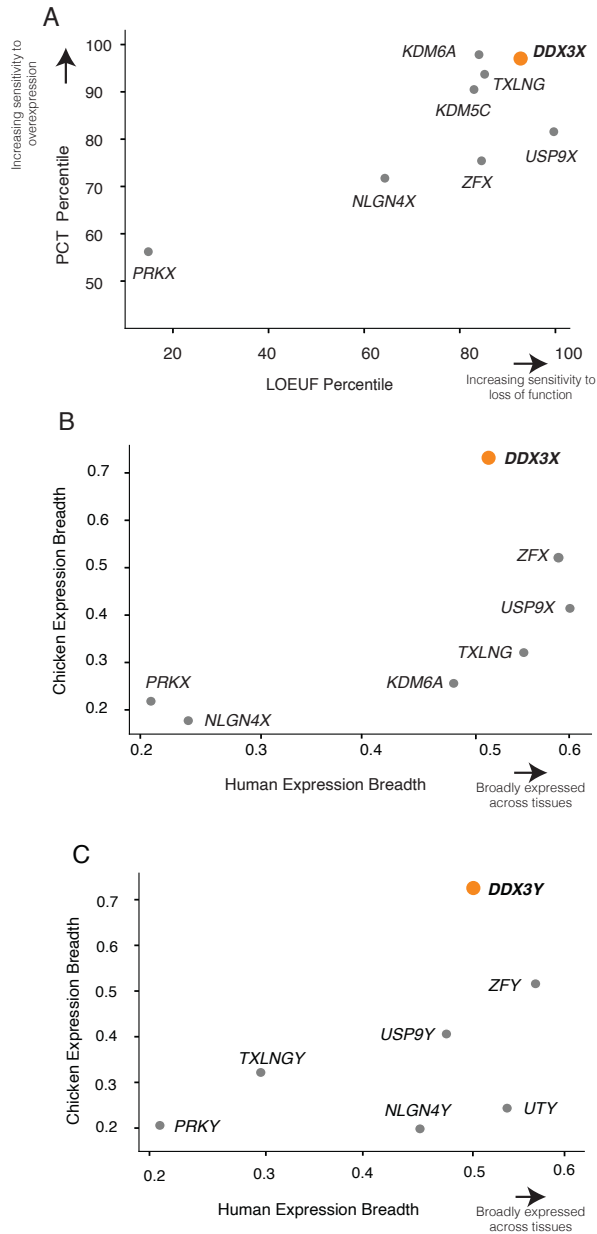
Among X-Y gene pairs, those with the highest dosage sensitivity should be expressed from Xi in females and be long-lived and universally retained on the Y chromosome across species, *i.e.*, have a survival fraction of 1. We find that, among the 17 human X-Y gene pairs, only *DDX3X(Y)*, *KDM6A(UTY)*, and *ZFX(Y)* are expressed from Xi in human females and retain a Y-homolog in all 15 eutherian species examined (Table 1).

**Table 1:** Dosage-sensitivity of human X-Y pair genes across therian mammalian lineages. Xi expression is indicated for X-homologs, and survival fraction and branch length are calculated for the corresponding Y-homologs. Genes are sorted first by Xi expression, then by Y-homolog survival fraction, and finally by Y-homolog branch length.

Gene	Xi Expression	Y-homolog	Survival Fraction	Branch Length (MY)
<i>DDX3X</i>	Yes	<i>DDX3Y</i>	1.00	662.840
<i>KDM6A</i>	Yes	<i>UTY</i>	1.00	662.840
<i>ZFX</i>	Yes	<i>ZFY</i>	1.00	662.840
<i>NLGN4X</i>	Yes	<i>NLGN4Y</i>	1.00	140.340
<i>USP9X</i>	Yes	<i>USP9Y</i>	0.990	656.140
<i>PRKX</i>	Yes	<i>PRKY</i>	0.851	74.180
<i>EIF1AX</i>	Yes	<i>EIF1AY</i>	0.833	551.940
<i>KDM5C</i>	Yes	<i>KDM5D</i>	0.831	686.840
<i>TXLNG</i>	Yes	<i>TXLNGY</i>	0.664	440.040
<i>RPS4X</i>	Yes	<i>RPS4Y</i>	0.355	342.940
<i>SOX3</i>	No	<i>SRY</i>	1.000	966.840
<i>RBMX</i>	No	<i>RBMX</i>	0.943	911.840
<i>HSFX1</i>	No	<i>HSFY1</i>	0.834	806.040
<i>TSPYL2</i>	No	<i>TSPY</i>	0.776	641.940
<i>AMELX</i>	No	<i>AMELY</i>	0.685	453.740
<i>TBL1X</i>	No	<i>TBL1Y</i>	0.644	90.440
<i>TMSB4X</i>	No	<i>TMSB4Y</i>	0.465	308.040

We further profiled the sensitivity of *DDX3X* to dosage changes using two metrics: 1)  $P_{CT}$  scores, which measure the evolutionary conservation of microRNA

targeting sites in a gene's 3' UTR (Friedman et al., 2009), and 2) LOEUF values, the ratio of observed to expected loss-of-function variants in a gene in human populations (Karczewski et al., 2020). High conservation of miRNA targeting sites in a gene's 3' UTR implies sensitivity to over-expression (Naqvi et al., 2018), while a low LOEUF value demonstrates sensitivity to loss of function. For all non-PAR genes on the human X chromosome (San Roman et al., 2023), we calculated percentile ranks according to each of these two metrics, from most constrained (high percentile) to least constrained (low percentile). Among X-Y pair genes expressed from Xi, *DDX3X* has the highest combined sensitivity to over-expression and loss of function, implying that its level of expression is especially constrained (Fig. 1A).



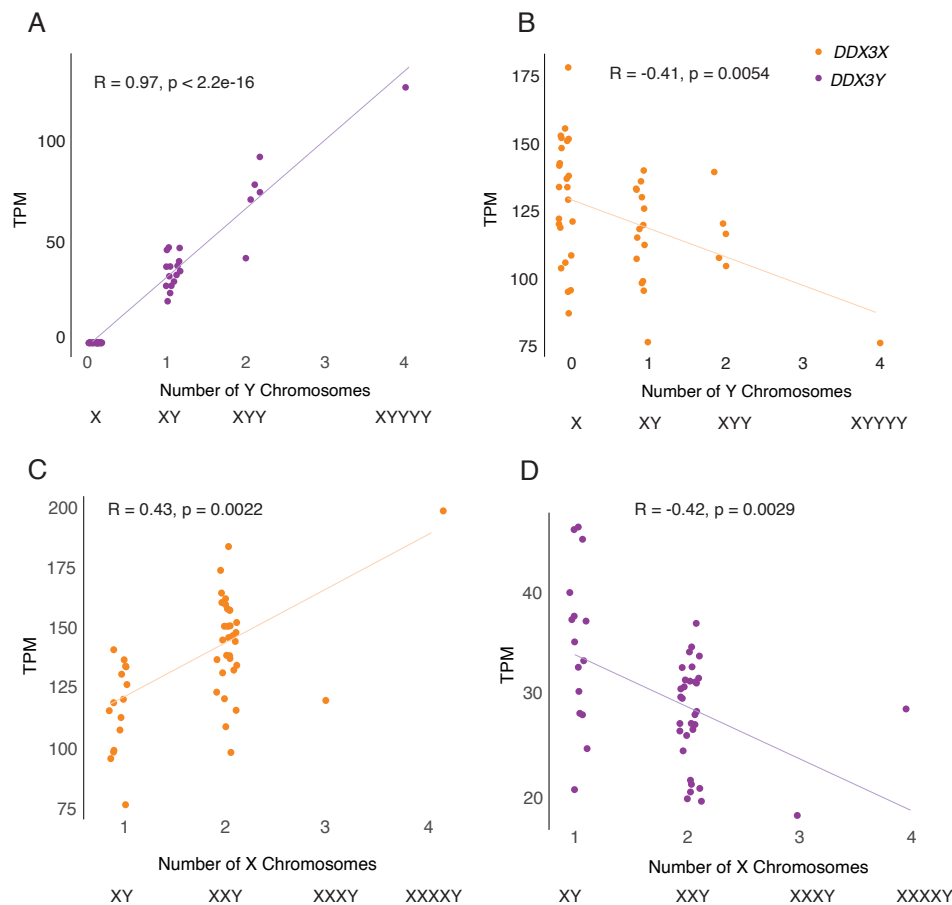
**Fig 1:** *DDX3X* is highly dosage sensitive and expressed broadly among human tissues. A) Among human X-Y pair genes, *DDX3X* ranks highest in combined sensitivity to over-expression (as judged by PCT percentile among all X-chromosome genes) and under-expression (as judged by LOEUF percentile among all X-chromosome genes). B) *DDX3X* and C) *DDX3Y* and their chicken ortholog display the highest expression breadth among, respectively, the X and Y members of human X-Y gene pairs.

We also assessed whether *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* are expressed more broadly across the body than other X-Y gene pairs – another feature of highly dosage-sensitive genes (Bellott et al., 2014) – and if this breadth was present ancestrally. The ancestral state of sex-linked genes can be inferred from analyses of birds such as chickens, where the orthologs of human sex chromosomal genes are found on autosomes 1 and

4 (Bellott et al., 2010). For each gene pair for which expression data was available in humans (GTEx, 2017) and chickens (Bellott et al., 2014; Merkin et al., 2012), we measured how broadly the chicken gene and human gene pair were expressed across the body's various tissues. *DDX3X*, *DDX3Y*, and their autosomal chicken ortholog display the highest combined expression breadth across the two species, suggesting that their dosage is critical throughout the body (Fig. 1B, 1C).

### ***DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* transcript levels fall as, respectively, Y-chromosome and X-chromosome copy numbers rise**

To identify mechanisms that regulate *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* expression in human cells, we re-analyzed RNA-sequencing data from primary skin fibroblasts of human donors with sex chromosome aneuploidies (San Roman et al., 2023). We first assessed *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* transcript levels in cells with a single X chromosome and increasing numbers of Y chromosomes. As expected, *DDX3Y* transcript levels rise with increasing numbers of Y chromosomes. However, *DDX3X* expression from the single X chromosome falls significantly (Fig. 2A, B). Conversely, in cells with a single Y chromosome and increasing numbers of X chromosomes, *DDX3X* transcript levels rise, as expected given its expression from both Xa and Xi. However, *DDX3Y* expression from the single Y chromosome falls significantly (Fig 2C, D).



**Fig. 2: *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* expression is negatively responsive to, respectively, Y and X chromosome copy number.** Scatterplots show *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* transcript levels in cultured fibroblasts with the indicated sex chromosome constitutions. Each point represents a primary fibroblast culture from one individual. A,B) *DDX3Y* transcript levels are significantly elevated and *DDX3X* transcript levels significantly reduced in fibroblasts with multiple Y chromosomes. C,D) *DDX3X* transcript levels are significantly elevated and *DDX3Y* transcript levels significantly reduced in fibroblasts with multiple X chromosomes. R values and statistical significance calculated using Pearson correlation.

We asked whether this inverse relationship is common across all X-Y gene pairs, or is a special feature of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y*. For each X-Y pair gene, we obtained values for the change in its transcript levels per extra  $X_i$ , and the change in its transcript levels per extra Y chromosome (San Roman et al., 2023). In both fibroblasts and lymphoblastoid cell lines (LCLs), *DDX3X* transcript levels fall significantly as Y chromosome copy number increases; conversely, *DDX3Y* transcript levels fall as X chromosome copy number increases (Table S1). This response is not observed with other X-Y pair genes; it is unique to *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* (Table S1).

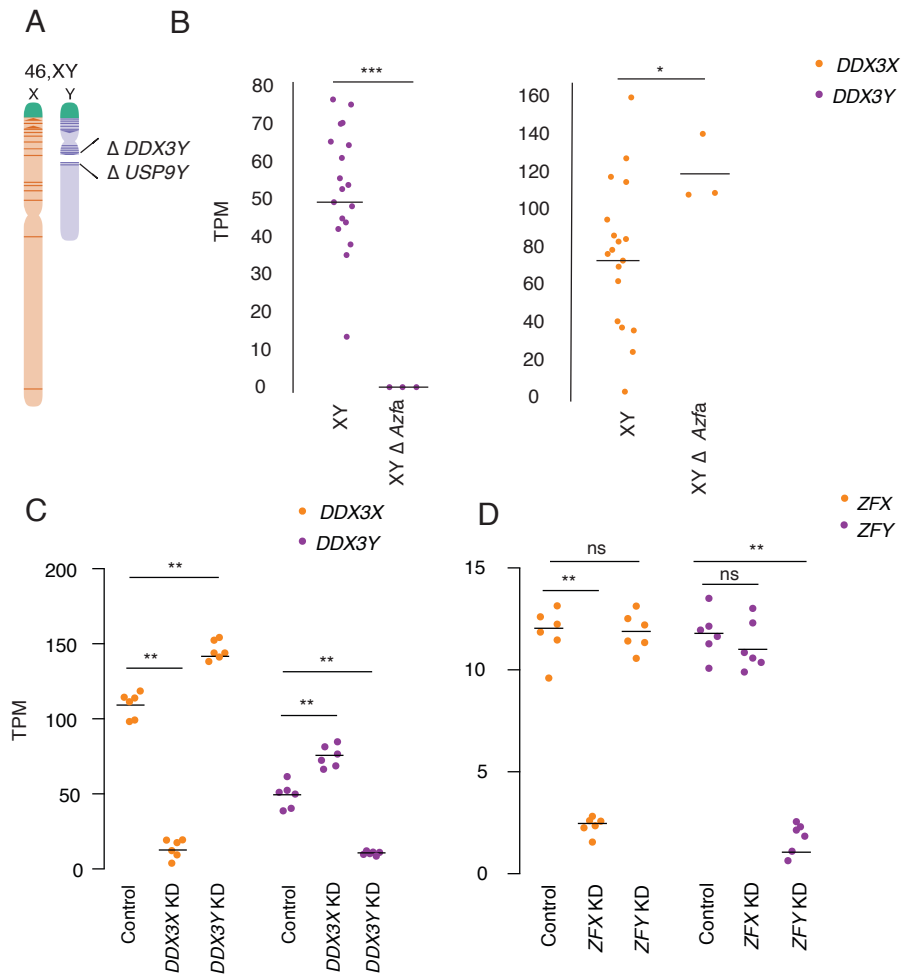
We considered the possibility that these decreases in *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* transcript levels in response to changes in sex chromosome copy number might reflect a general cellular response to aneuploidy. To test this, we examined LCLs from individuals with trisomy 21. We observed no change in *DDX3X* or *DDX3Y* transcript levels in response to chromosome 21 copy number (Fig S1). We conclude that *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* transcript levels are inversely related to Chr Y and Chr X copy number, respectively.

### **Perturbing *DDX3X* elicits a response in *DDX3Y*, and vice versa**

We asked whether these effects of altering sex chromosome copy number are due to changes in *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* expression. We examined naturally occurring mutations that affect *DDX3X* or *DDX3Y* expression as well as experimental knockdowns to capture the effects of perturbing *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* transcript levels.

First, we quantified *DDX3X* transcripts in LCLs from azoospermic (infertile) males with *AZFa* micro-deletions. *AZFa* micro-deletions result from homologous recombination between endogenous retroviral elements on the human Y chromosome, and they remove the *DDX3Y* and *USP9Y* genes without affecting other genes (Fig. 3A) (Sun et al., 2000). We found that *DDX3X* transcript levels were significantly higher in LCLs from *AZFa*-deleted males compared to males with intact Y chromosomes (Fig. 3B). To test whether *DDX3X* transcript levels are elevated upon deletion of other Y-chromosome regions, we profiled LCLs from XY individuals whose Y-chromosomes retain *DDX3Y* but are missing several other genes, including the sex determining gene *SRY* (Schiebel et al., 1997). *DDX3X* transcript levels were unaltered in these individuals (Fig. S2),

demonstrating that *DDX3X* levels are elevated specifically in response to *DDX3Y* deletion.



**Fig. 3:** *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* each respond directly to perturbations in the other’s expression. A) Schematic diagram of naturally occurring human Y-chromosome (AZFa) micro-deletion of *DDX3Y* and *USP9Y*. B) *DDX3X* transcript levels are significantly higher in AZFa-deleted 46,XY LCLs compared to Y-chromosome-intact 46,XY LCLs. Each point represents a sample from one individual. Statistical significance determined by Mann Whitney- U test, \*\*\* p < 0.0001, \* p < 0.05 C) CRISPRi-mediated knockdown of *DDX3Y* using two independent gRNAs in three unrelated 46,XY fibroblast cultures results in significantly elevated *DDX3X* transcript levels. Conversely, *DDX3X* knockdown results in significantly elevated *DDX3Y* transcript levels. D) Re-analysis of CRISPRi knockdown of *ZFX* or *ZFY* (San Roman et al., 2023) demonstrates that knockdown of either gene does not result in significant elevation of the homolog’s transcripts. Statistical significance determined by ANOVA, \*\* p < 0.001.



We then used CRISPRi to target *DDX3X* or *DDX3Y* for knockdown in primary 46,XY fibroblasts. *DDX3X* transcript levels rose significantly upon knockdown of *DDX3Y* (*DDX3Y* KD), and *DDX3Y* transcript levels responded in reciprocal fashion to *DDX3X* KD (Fig. 3C). This negative cross-regulation across X and Y homologs was specific to *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y*, as CRISPRi knockdowns of *ZFX* and *ZFY*, another broadly expressed, dosage-sensitive X-Y gene pair, did not show this pattern (Fig. 3D) (San Roman et al., 2023). We validated these findings in an independent dataset, the Cancer Cell Line Encyclopedia (CCLE), which catalogs mutational and expression data from hundreds of cancer cell lines (Ghandi et al., 2019). There we identified 491 different XY cell lines that retained the Y chromosome, and among these a set of 11 lines that harbored loss of function mutations in *DDX3X* (Table S2). *DDX3Y* transcript levels are significantly higher in these 11 cell lines compared to lines where *DDX3X* is presumed intact (Fig. S3). Thus, knockdowns or loss of function in either *DDX3X* or *DDX3Y* are consistently buffered by compensatory increases in the homolog's expression, demonstrating that *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* are negatively cross-regulated.

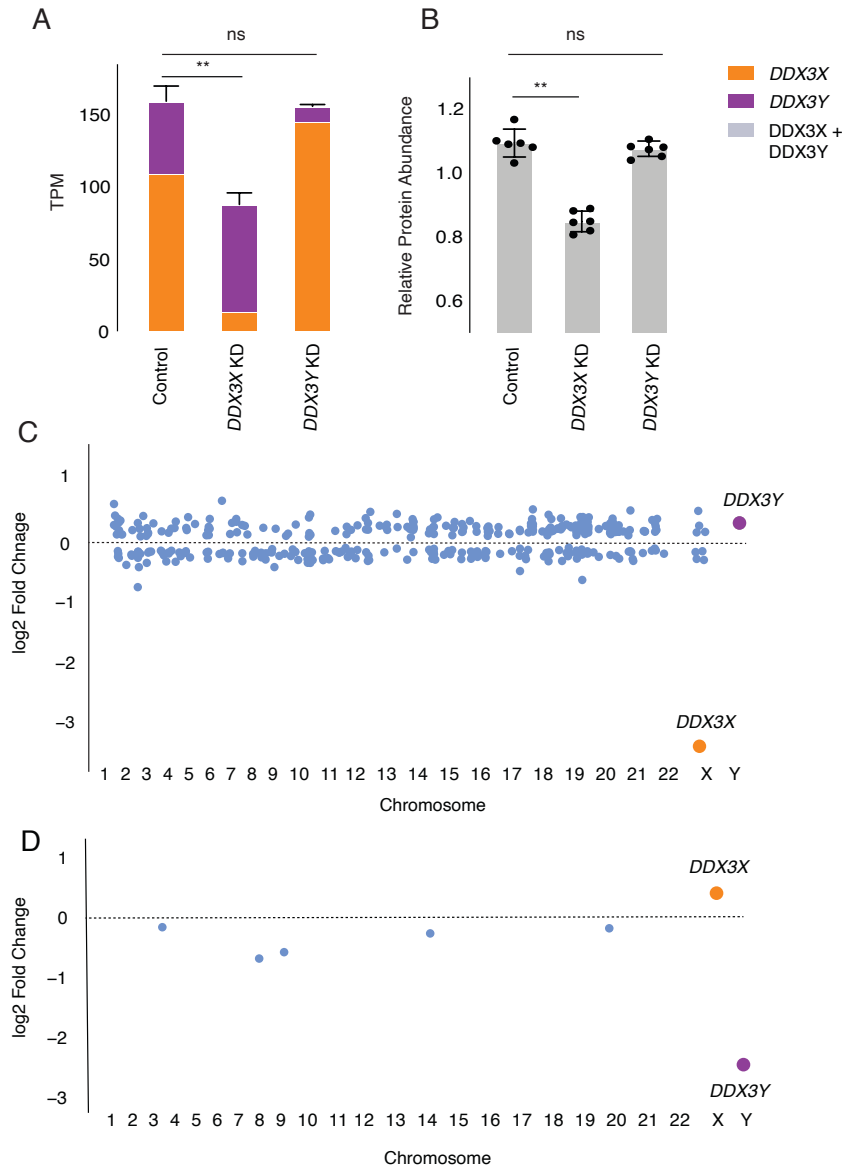
Taken together, these three approaches show that *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* are negatively cross-regulated in multiple cell types: in LCLs, in primary fibroblasts, and in cancer cell lines originating from five different tissues (Table S2), demonstrating that this is a general, global response independent of tissue type or disease state. This model readily explains compensatory increases in *DDX3Y* transcript levels that other investigators have observed 1) in *DDX3X*-mutant lymphomas, where it was interpreted as an oncogenic adaptation (Gong et al., 2021) and 2) in mouse models of *DDX3X*

syndrome and medulloblastoma (Gong et al., 2021; Hoye et al., 2022; Patmore et al., 2020). We conclude that negative cross-regulation of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* occurs in many if not all somatic tissues and cell types, in both humans and mice.

### **Negative cross-regulation of *DDX3X* buffers total levels of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y***

We hypothesized that negative cross-regulation of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* serves to maintain the combined expression of the two genes in a narrow range, buffering total transcript levels against changes in gene dosage. To test this, we summed transcript levels for the two genes in our knockdown models and observed that, in the setting of *DDX3Y* knockdown, the increase in *DDX3X* transcript levels fully compensates and maintains the summed transcript levels of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* at control levels (Fig. 4A). However, in the setting of *DDX3X* knockdown – a larger perturbation -- the increase in *DDX3Y* transcript levels does not fully compensate. We confirmed these results at the protein level using a mass-spectrometry framework that enables sensitive protein quantification by multiplexing peptides and samples (Derks et al., 2022). To

measure summed expression of DDX3X and DDX3Y protein, we quantified peptides shared by DDX3X and DDX3Y (Fig. 4B).



**Fig 4:** Increased expression of *DDX3X* fully compensates, at transcript and protein levels, for knockdown of *DDX3Y*, but the inverse is not true. A) Stacked bar graph showing summed TPM of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* in CRISPRi knockdowns using two independent gRNAs in three independent 46,XY fibroblast cultures. Statistical significance calculated by ANOVA, \*\*  $p < 0.001$ . B) Bar graph showing abundance of shared *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* peptides in CRISPRi knockdowns with three technical replicates in two independent 46,XY fibroblast cultures. C) Differential gene expression analysis of control vs *DDX3X* knockdown reveals significant expression changes in 397 target genes across the genome, including *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y*. Genes with  $p < 0.05$  (after multiple hypothesis correction) indicated in blue, with exception of *DDX3X* (in orange) and *DDX3Y* (in purple). D) Differential gene expression analysis of control vs *DDX3Y* knockdown reveals only six genes, including *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y*, that change significantly.

Given these results, we predicted that the incomplete compensation of summed *DDX3X* + *DDX3Y* protein levels seen with the *DDX3X* KD would result in genome-wide gene expression changes, while such changes would not occur with the *DDX3Y* KD. Indeed, the *DDX3X* KD significantly altered the expression of 379 genes (Fig. 4C), while

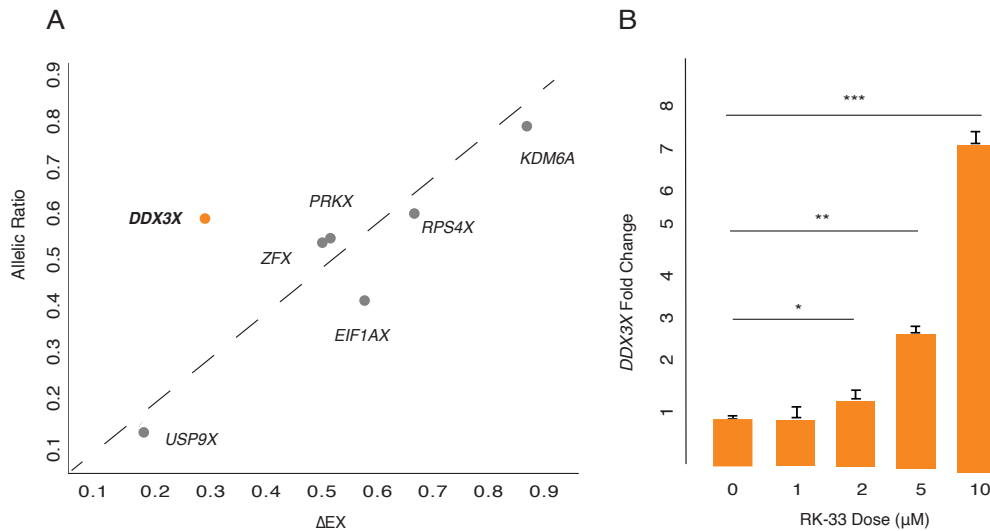
the *DDX3Y* KD significantly altered the expression of only six genes genome-wide, indicating nearly complete compensation through elevated *DDX3X* expression (Fig. 4D). The *DDX3X* knockdown has far-reaching consequences because of the limited ability of *DDX3Y* to compensate for diminished *DDX3X* expression.

We then asked whether negative cross-regulation of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* contributes to the genome-wide gene expression changes observed in individuals with sex chromosome aneuploidies. We found no significant overlap between 1) the set of genes responsive to increasing numbers of X chromosomes in the aneuploidy dataset (San Roman et al., 2023) and 2) the set of genes differentially expressed in our *DDX3X* KD (Fig. S4A). Unlike *ZFX*, which drives a large portion of the genome-wide response to X-chromosome copy number (San Roman et al., 2023), the elevated *DDX3X* expression observed with addition of Xi does not drive significant gene expression changes in the aneuploid lines. Indeed, the increase in summed *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* transcript levels per additional sex chromosome (X or Y) is more modest than that of similarly constrained X-Y pairs (Fig. S4B,C,D), suggesting that *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* are not major drivers of gene expression changes associated with sex chromosome aneuploidy.

### **DDX3X is auto-regulated in 46,XX cells**

We hypothesized that negative cross-regulation of the *DDX3X-DDX3Y* gene pair evolved from an earlier system of negative auto-regulation in the autosomal ancestor of

this X-Y pair. Indeed, the yeast ortholog of *DDX3X* (*Ded1*) appears to be negatively auto-regulated (Silvia Marina, 2015). If negative cross-regulation in human XY cells evolved from negative auto-regulation, we might expect to observe negative auto-regulation of *DDX3X* in human XX cells. We set out to test for this, and, if present, whether it might be unique among the 17 human NPX genes with NPY homologs. For each X-Y pair gene where informative SNPs could be identified, we obtained its allelic ratio (AR), the ratio of Xi- and Xa-derived transcripts (San Roman et al., 2023). For each gene, we then compared its AR value to its  $\Delta E_x$  value, the increment of change in a gene's expression per additional X, relative to Xa (San Roman et al., 2023). If an X-linked gene's expression from Xi and Xa are independent and additive, then the gene's AR should approximate its  $\Delta E_x$ —and we found this to be true for all other NPX genes with NPY homologs. To the contrary, while *DDX3X* has an AR of 0.55 in LCLs and 0.42 in fibroblasts, it has a significantly lower  $\Delta E_x$  of 0.26 in LCLs and 0.16 in fibroblasts (Fig 5A). In other words, while Xi contributes 55% or 42% as many transcripts as Xa does, *DDX3X* transcript levels increase by only 26% or 16% with each additional Xi. This strongly suggests that *DDX3X* is negatively auto-regulated in the absence of *DDX3Y*.



**Fig 5:** *DDX3X* is negatively auto-regulated in 46,XX cells. A) *DDX3X*'s allelic ratio (AR) is significantly higher than its  $\Delta E_X$  value in LCLs, setting it apart from all other Xi/Xa/Y-expressed X-Y pair genes, whose AR values approximate their  $\Delta E_X$  values. B) *DDX3X* transcript levels (by qPCR) in 46,XX fibroblasts are significantly elevated in a dose-responsive manner upon treatment with *DDX3X* inhibitor RK-33. Statistical significance determined by one-sided t-test on delta Ct values. Error bars indicate standard deviation of three technical replicates. \*  $p < 0.05$ , \*\*\*  $p < 0.001$ .

Moreover, we hypothesized that chemical inhibition of *DDX3X* protein activity could lead to increased *DDX3X* transcript levels. We directly perturbed *DDX3X* in XX fibroblasts using RK-33, a competitive inhibitor of *DDX3X* that binds its ATP-binding cleft and disrupts helicase function (Bol et al., 2015). Indeed, *DDX3X* transcript levels were significantly elevated, in a dose-dependent manner, in cells treated with RK-33 (Fig 5B). Increasing duration of RK-33 treatment also increased *DDX3X* transcript levels in a time-dependent manner (Fig S5). Together, these findings demonstrate that *DDX3X* transcript levels are negatively auto-regulated in XX cells.

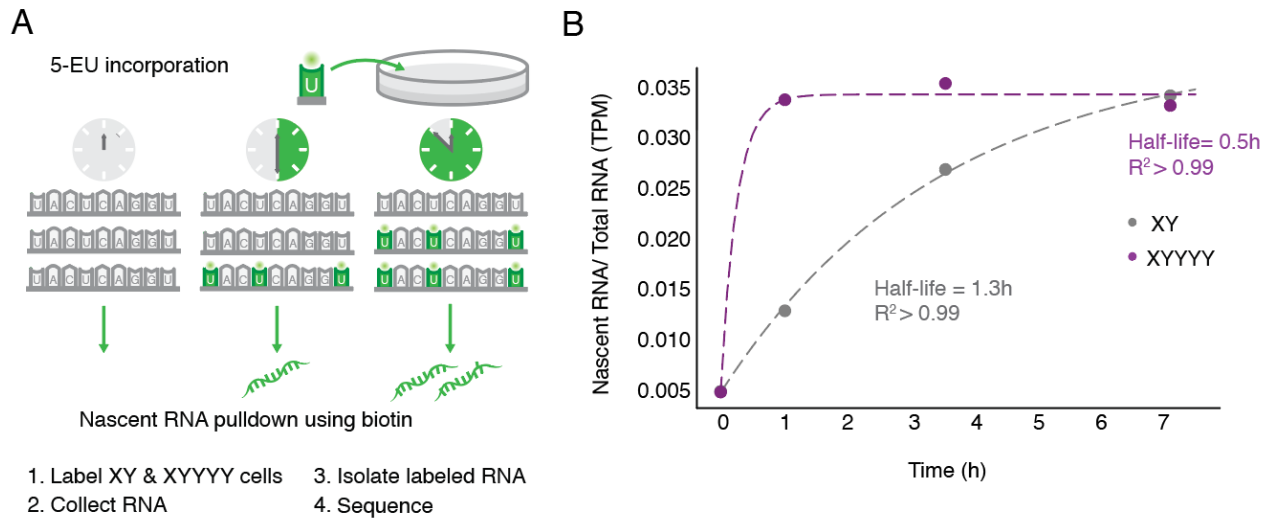
In theory, our observations concerning auto- and cross-regulation could be explained by independent, parallel evolution of negative cross-regulation of *DDX3Y* by

*DDX3X*, and of *DDX3X* by *DDX3Y*, but this seems implausibly unlikely, especially given the absence of sexual recombination as an evolutionary enabler in the case of *DDX3Y*. A simpler hypothesis is that reciprocal cross-regulation of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* derives directly from a negative, post-transcriptional auto-regulatory mechanism that governed the ancestral (autosomal) *DDX3* gene. We conclude that this regulatory scheme was present in the *DDX3* gene in our amniote ancestors before the autosome carrying *DDX3* became part of today's mammalian sex chromosomes.

### ***DDX3X* response is mediated by mRNA stability**

*DDX3X* encodes an RNA-binding protein known to bind its own transcripts (Van Nostrand et al., 2020). In yeast, the *DDX3* ortholog *Ded1* is negatively auto-regulated and this regulation is dependent on its 3'UTR, (Silvia Marina, 2015) indicating that *Ded1* mRNA stability is being modulated. We reasoned that the negative cross-regulation we observed between *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* may involve mRNA stability. If *DDX3Y* destabilizes *DDX3X* transcripts, we would expect the half-life of *DDX3X* transcripts to decrease in response to increasing *DDX3Y* dosage. We tested this prediction by labeling nascent mRNAs in 46,XY and 49,XYYYYY LCLs with 5-EU and sequencing these populations at discrete intervals to quantify mRNA half-life (Fig 6A). We calculated the ratio of nascent mRNA/ total mRNA normalized to steady-state levels, across time points, and observed a striking difference in *DDX3X* mRNA half-life between the two conditions. *DDX3X* mRNAs were 3-fold less stable in 49,XYYYYY cells,

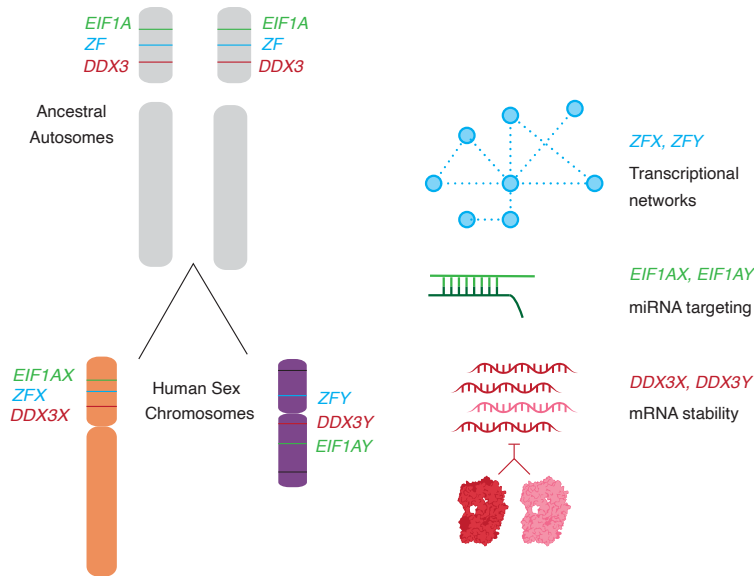
(Fig 6B) implying that *DDX3Y* directly or indirectly destabilizes *DDX3X* mRNAs, reducing the steady state levels of *DDX3X* transcripts. This result persists upon shortening 5EU labeling time (Fig. S5B). *DDX3X* steady state levels are lower in 49,XYYYYY samples as predicted (Fig S5A).



**Fig 6:** *DDX3X* mRNA stability is regulated. A) Schematic of experiment to determine half-lives of mRNAs. 46,XY and 49,XYYYYY LCLs were incubated with 5-ethyl uridine to obtain nascent mRNAs. B) *DDX3X* is destabilized at least 3-fold in 49,XYYYYY vs 46,XY LCLs.

Overall, these results support a model where ancestral (autosomal) *DDX3* destabilized its own transcripts to negatively auto-regulate its expression, foreshadowing the ability of mammalian *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* to destabilize their own and each other's transcripts (Fig 7).





**Fig 7:** Coding sequences and gene regulatory mechanisms of X-Y gene pairs were preserved during sex chromosome evolution. The auto- and cross-regulation of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* likely originated from the auto-regulation of ancestral *DDX3*. Studies of other X-Y gene pairs such as *ZFX-ZFY* and *EIF1AX-EIF1AY* suggest that on a gene-by-gene basis, regulatory mechanisms also persist on the human X- and Y-chromosomes from the ancestral autosome.

## Discussion:

*DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* are encoded by X- and Y-linked homologs and perform critical cellular roles in RNA metabolism (Soto-Rifo & Ohlmann, 2013). We report that *DDX3X* is negatively auto-regulated (Fig. 5) and that *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* are negatively cross-regulated (Fig. 3). We also find that *DDX3X* transcript stability is modulated to achieve this regulation (Fig 6). These findings shed new light on the mechanisms by which dosage-sensitive genes on the sex chromosomes are regulated.

## Gene regulatory mechanisms: preservation and modification during human sex chromosome evolution

We reasoned that such tight delimiting of *DDX3* gene expression likely pre-dated the divergence of the homologous genes *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* on the sex chromosomes, supported by the auto- and cross-regulation of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* we observe in humans, and previous evidence of cross-regulation in mouse models (Hoye et al., 2022; Patmore et al., 2020). Strikingly, there is evidence that *Ded1*, the yeast ortholog of *DDX3X*, is similarly auto-regulated (Silvia Marina, 2015) suggesting that *DDX3X* regulation may be conserved over 1.3 billion years since the common ancestor of yeast and humans (Kumar et al., 2022). These data indicate that *DDX3X*'s pre-existing gene regulatory mechanisms on the ancestral autosome were maintained on the human X and Y chromosomes (Fig 7), albeit with differences in the steady state transcript level of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* over at least 200 million years of evolution.

The ancestral origins of gene regulatory mechanisms on the sex chromosomes can also be seen in recent work studying other X-Y gene pairs. *ZFX* and *ZFY* dosage have similar genome-wide effects in LCLs and fibroblasts (San Roman et al., 2023), suggesting that their transcriptional networks have been preserved during sex chromosome evolution. However, the effects of *ZFX* are more potent than *ZFY* in knockdown studies, indicating a source of genome-wide sex differences (San Roman et al., 2023). Studies of miRNA sites provide further evidence for inferring the ancestral origin of X-Y gene pair regulatory elements; miRNA sites on avian Z-W chromosomes have been preserved on human sex chromosomes (Naqvi et al., 2018). *EIF1AX*, a key component of translation initiation, has retained a miR-1 site that is disrupted in *EIF1AY*, leading to 2-fold up-regulation of the Y-homolog in heart tissues (Godfrey et al., 2020).

Similarly, preservation of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* cross-regulation along with the differences in their steady state levels may underpin human disease phenotypes.

### **Implications for genetic disorders of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* in humans**

Constitutional (germline) mutations in *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* cause radically different phenotypes. In human males, reports of constitutional mutations in *DDX3X* are exceedingly rare; these are typically missense alleles that only partially reduce *DDX3X* protein function but nonetheless cause a neurodevelopmental disorder ('*DDX3X* syndrome') (Kellaris et al., 2018). By contrast, de novo deletions of the entire *DDX3Y* gene (so-called *AZF*a deletions) cause spermatogenic failure and thereby infertility but otherwise have no reported impact on somatic development, function, or health (Sun et al., 2000). As *DDX3X* accounts for the bulk of total *DDX3* expression in the male brain (Godfrey et al., 2020), we propose that elevated *DDX3X* transcript levels compensate for the absence of *DDX3Y* in the brain and other somatic tissues in *AZF*a-deleted males (Fig 4A,B), explaining why males with germline *DDX3Y* deletions display no neurodevelopmental consequences. In testicular germ cells, where *DDX3Y* predominates (Ramathal et al., 2015), *DDX3X* cannot compensate for the loss of *DDX3Y*, leading to azoospermia and male infertility.

Meanwhile, somatic loss-of-function mutations in *DDX3X* drive many male-biased lymphomas, medulloblastomas, and leukemias (Brandimarte et al., 2014; Gong et al., 2021; Patmore et al., 2020). The male bias is consistent with incomplete

compensation; *DDX3Y* levels are increased in *DDX3X* mutant cancer cell lines (Fig S3) but this increase is not sufficient to replace the larger contribution of *DDX3X* to their combined expression level. Unlike *DDX3X*, *DDX3Y* somatic mutations have not been identified as drivers in human cancers, suggesting that somatic loss of *DDX3Y* is fully compensated for by increased *DDX3X* levels.

## Closing

While *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* are a unique instance of X-Y gene pair cross-regulation, the preservation of this complex regulatory scheme implies the maintenance of ancestral gene regulatory mechanisms for other X-Y gene pairs such as *KDM6A/UTY* and *USP9X/USP9Y*, which demonstrate moderately high dosage sensitivity (Fig 1) and are associated with developmental disorders (Homann et al, 2014., Lederer et al 2012). Overall, this study demonstrates how studies of regulatory conservation can be used to understand and treat disorders caused by mutations of X-Y gene pairs.

## Methods

**Analysis of total branch length and survival fraction:** For each gene, total branch length and survival fraction values in therian species were obtained from Bellott & Page (Bellott & Page, 2021). To obtain a gene's total branch length, all branch lengths in the most parsimonious tree connecting all species where the gene is present are summed from the last common ancestor. The survival fraction is the observed total branch length

divided by the maximum possible branch length. Survival fractions range from 0 (lost in all lineages) to 1 (retained in every lineage).

**Analysis of constraint metrics:** We downloaded LOEUF (loss-of-function observed/expected upper fraction) scores from gnomAD (v2.1.1.lof\_metris.by\_gene.txt;<https://gnomad.broadinstitute.org/>) and only used scores with a minimum of 10 expected LoF variants. For sensitivity to an increase in gene dosage, we used the per-gene average probability of conserved miRNA targeting scores (PCT) (Friedman et al., 2009). For each metric, we computed a percentile rank score, from most constrained to least constrained (San Roman et al., 2023).

**Calculation of expression breadth:** Human expression breadth was calculated from GTEx v8 using male samples. For each gene, expression breadth was calculated using TPM values as follows:  $\text{Sum of expression across tissues} / (\text{Maximum expression in a tissue} * \text{Number of tissues})$ . For each X-Y gene pair, expression breadth values for the X-homolog and Y-homolog were averaged to generate a mean score. Chicken expression breadth values were obtained from Bellott et al using data from Merkin et al. (Bellott et al., 2010; Merkin et al., 2012).

**Aneuploidy data:** RNA-sequencing data from cultured cells of individuals with sex chromosome aneuploidy (San Roman et al., 2023) were downloaded from <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.xgen.2023.100259>.

**Cell Culture:** All LCLs were cultured in complete RPMI at 37C. Fibroblasts were cultured in high-glucose DMEM (Gibco), 20% FBS, L-Glutamine (MP Biomedicals), MEM Non-Essential Amino Acids (Gibco), 100 IU/ml Penicillin/Streptomycin (Lonza)).

**CRISPRi:** Three independent, unrelated 46,XY fibroblast cultures stably expressing a nuclease-dead Cas9 fused with a repressive KRAB domain (dCas9-KRAB) were obtained from Adrianna San Roman. gRNAs for control (intergenic), *DDX3X*, and *DDX3Y* were chosen from the human CRISPRi v2 library (Horlbeck et al., 2016) and cloned into the sgOpti lentiviral expression vector. Viral particles were generated and frozen as described in San Roman et al. Guide sequences were as follows:

Control 1: GACATATAAGAGGTTCCCCG

Control 2: AACGGCGGATTGACCGTAAT

*DDX3X* #1: GTCCCGTGAGAGGGCCTTCG

*DDX3X* #2: GCCCGGGACGAGCACAATGG

*DDX3Y* #1: GTTCGGTCTCACACCTACAG

*DDX3Y* #2: GAGTACTGGGCCTCACGCAA

Control and *DDX3X*- or *DDX3Y*-targeting gRNAs were transduced into the stably-expressing dCas9-KRAB fibroblasts, and cells were selected using 2 ug/mL puromycin (Sigma) beginning 24 h post infection. Cells were washed once with PBS and collected 72 h post infection. RNA was extracted with the RNeasy Mini Kit (Qiagen). RNA sequencing libraries were prepared using the KAPA mRNA HyperPrep Kit V2 (Roche).

Paired-end 100x100 bp sequencing was performed on a NovaSeq 6000 (Illumina). Reads were pseudoaligned with kallisto and imported into R using tximport. Differential gene expression analysis was performed using DESeq2 (Love et al., 2014). RNA-sequencing data from *ZFX* and *ZFY* knock-down experiments (San Roman et al., 2023) were downloaded from dbGaP Study Accession: phs002481.v2.p1.

**Treatment with RK-33:** 46,XX fibroblast cultures were treated with 0, 1, 2, 5, or 10  $\mu$ M RK-33 in DMSO for 24 h. For the time course, they were treated with 2  $\mu$ M RK-33 for 0, 1, 2, 4, or 24 h.

**qPCR:** Cells were washed once with PBS and collected 72 h post treatment. RNA was extracted with the RNeasy Mini Kit (Qiagen) and cDNAs prepared with Super-Script Vilo Master Mix (Thermo Fisher). *DDX3X* levels were quantified by qPCR using Fast Sybr Green Master Mix (Thermo Fisher). Primers for *DDX3X* and reference gene *ACTB* were as follows:

*DDX3X* F: GTGGAAGTGGATCAAGGGGA

*DDX3X* R: TGATTTGTCACACCAGCGAC

*ACTB* F: CACCAACTGGGACGACAT

*ACTB* R: ACAGCCTGGATAGCAACG

**Analysis of Cancer Cell Line Expression dataset:** Expression and mutation data for cancer cell lines were downloaded from the DepMap 22Q2 release

(<https://depmap.org/portal/download/all/>). Analysis was restricted to 46,XY cells by applying a log<sub>2</sub>TPM filter of  $> 0.2$  *DDX3Y*,  $> 0.2$  *RPS4Y*,  $< 2$  *XIST*.

**Sample preparation for mass spectrometry:** Samples were prepared for proteomic analysis by mPOP (Minimal Proteomic Sample Preparation) as described in Specht et al (Specht et al., 2018). Briefly, cells were resuspended in MS-grade water and frozen. They were then heated and lysed. Proteins were reduced and treated with Trypsin Gold (Promega). The peptide abundance of each sample was measured and each sample was labeled with non-isobaric mass tags, mTRAQ  $\Delta 0$ ,  $\Delta 4$ , or  $\Delta 8$  (SciEx: 4440015, 4427698, 4427700) following the manufacturer's instructions. Reactions were quenched and pooled as a 3-plex with relative mass offsets of  $\Delta 0$ ,  $\Delta 4$ , and  $\Delta 8$ .

**Mass Spectrometry data acquisition:** mTRAQ-labeled peptide sets were separated by reversed-phase UHPLC in 1  $\mu$ l injections by a Dionex UltiMate 3000 using a 25 cm  $\times$  75  $\mu$ m IonOpticks Aurora Series UHPLC column (AUR2-25075C18A). Buffer A was 0.1% formic acid in MS-grade water. Buffer B was 80% acetonitrile (ACN) with 0.1% formic acid, mixed in MS-grade water. The gradient was as follows: 4% Buffer B (minutes 0–11.5), 4–7% Buffer B (minutes 11.5–12), 7–32% Buffer B (minutes 12–75), 32–95% Buffer B (minutes 75–77), 95% Buffer B (minutes 77–80), 95–4% Buffer B (minutes 80–80.1), and 4% Buffer B until minute 95. The flowrate was 200 nL/min throughout.



Mass spectrometry data were acquired using a DIA method which utilizes frequent MS1-scans for quantitation, as previously described (Derks et al., 2022).

**Mass spectrometry data analysis:** Raw plexDIA data were processed with DIA-NN (version 1.8.1 beta 16) (Demichev et al., 2019) using the following settings and additional commands: `{--window 1}`, `{--mass-acc 10.0}`, `{--mass-acc-ms1 5}`, `{--reanalyse}`, `{--rt-profiling}`, `{--peak-height}`, `{--fixed-mod mTRAQ, 140.0949630177, nK}`, `{--channels mTRAQ,0,nK,0:0; mTRAQ,4,nK,4.0070994:4.0070994; mTRAQ,8,nK,8.0141988132:8.0141988132}`, `{--peak-translation}`, `{--original-mods}`, `{--report-lib-info}`, `{--ms1-isotope-quant}`, `{--mass-acc-quant 5.0}`.

The resulting data were filtered at 1% FDR for precursors and protein-groups. Precursors were further filtered for `Translated.Q.Value < 0.01`. MaxLFQ (Cox et al., 2014) was used to perform protein-group-level quantification for all samples. Each protein-group was normalized to the mean value in each LC-MS run, as each LC-MS run contained three technical replicates from each of the three conditions (control, *DDX3X* knockdown, and *DDX3Y* knockdown). Each sample was then normalized to its own respective median protein group value to account for differences in absolute protein abundances between samples. Finally, each protein-group was normalized to the mean value of the protein-group across all samples, for each cell-line. For each cell line, batch-correction was performed using Combat (Leek et al., 2012) with missing data imputed with a kNN algorithm ( $k=3$ ), to correct biases produced by using different mass-tag offsets (e.g.  $\Delta 0$ ,  $\Delta 4$ , and  $\Delta 8$ ).

**5-EU labeling and cell collection:** LCLs were thawed and allowed to grow in T175 flasks. Cells were split with fresh LCL media and 5EU (Jena Bioscience) was added to a final concentration of 400  $\mu$ M. Cells were collected 0, 0.5, 1, 1.5, and 2, 3.5 and 7 h later, washed with PBS and pelleted prior to addition of TRIzol (Thermo Fisher Scientific) reagent. Cells were snap-frozen at -80 C. RNA was precipitated with isopropanol and 1ng of 5-EU EGFP positive control was added.

**Biotinylation and pulldown:** Biotinylation and pulldown were performed as described (Kingston & Bartel, 2019). Briefly, biotin was attached to metabolically labeled RNAs in a 10  $\mu$ L reaction protected from light. The reaction was quenched and RNA precipitated. RNA was then incubated with blocked and pre-washed streptavidin bead slurry. Beads were washed once more and RNA was eluted with TCEP (tris(2-carboxyethyl) phosphine) and water. RNA was precipitated and libraries were then prepared using the SMART-Seq v4 Ultra Low Input RNA kit and sequenced on a NovaSeq 6000. Input RNAs were also sequenced to measure total RNA. TPMs were normalized to 5-EU positive EGFP spike-in. The normalized fraction of nascent/total *DDX3X* mRNA was fit to the equation  $y = \alpha/\beta * 1 - e^{-\beta t}$  to obtain  $\beta$  (half-life).

**Statistical Methods:** Various statistical tests were used to calculate p values as indicated in the methods section, figure legends, or text, where appropriate. Results were considered statistically significant when  $p < 0.05$  or  $FDR < 0.05$  when multiple

hypothesis correction was applied, unless stated otherwise. All statistics were calculated using R software, version 4.2.1 or Prism, version 9.4.1 unless stated otherwise.

**Data Access:** Original code for the analyses in this paper is deposited at [https://github.com/shruthi3195/DDX3X\\_SR\\_2023](https://github.com/shruthi3195/DDX3X_SR_2023). Raw reads for sequencing data were deposited at NCBI and can be accessed at dbGaP Study Accession: phs002481.v3.p1.

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## **SUPPLEMENTARY MATERIAL**

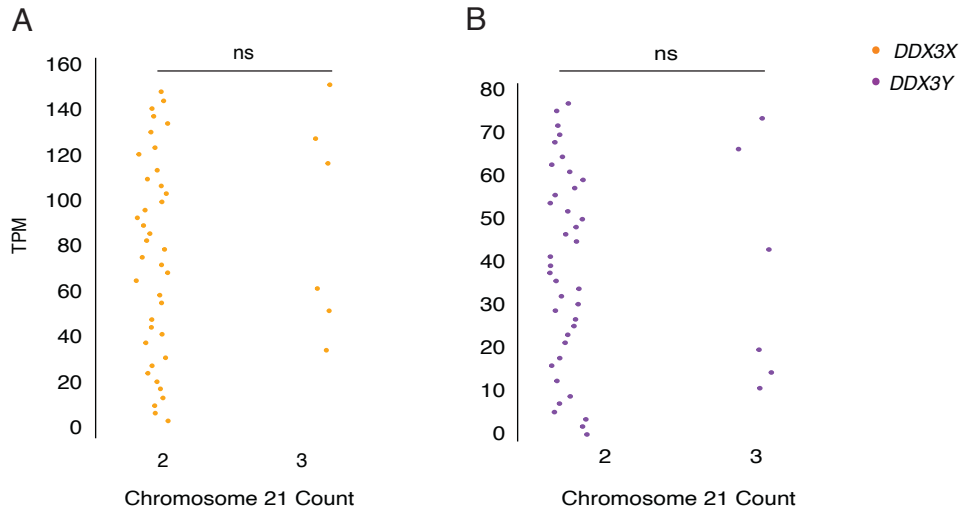
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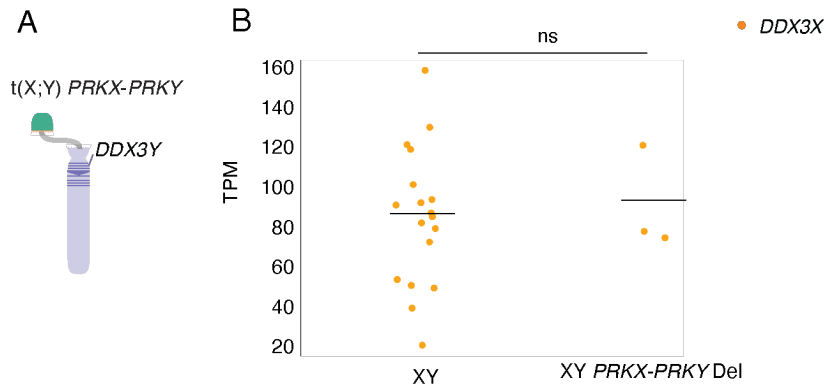
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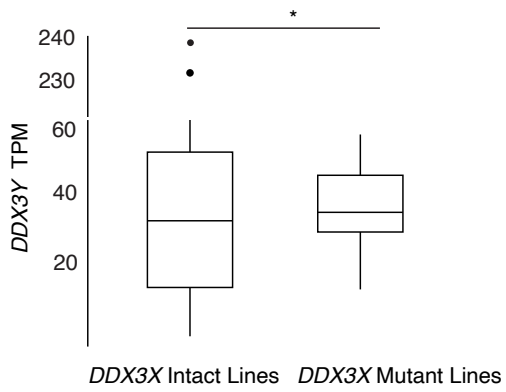


Supplemental Figure S1: Chromosome 21 copy number does not affect *DDX3X* or *DDX3Y* levels. Each point represents a lymphoblastoid cell line from one XX or XY individual with either 2 or 3 copies of chromosome 21 demonstrating that A) *DDX3X* and B) *DDX3Y* levels don't respond to aneuploidy. Statistical significance was determined by Mann Whitney- U test.

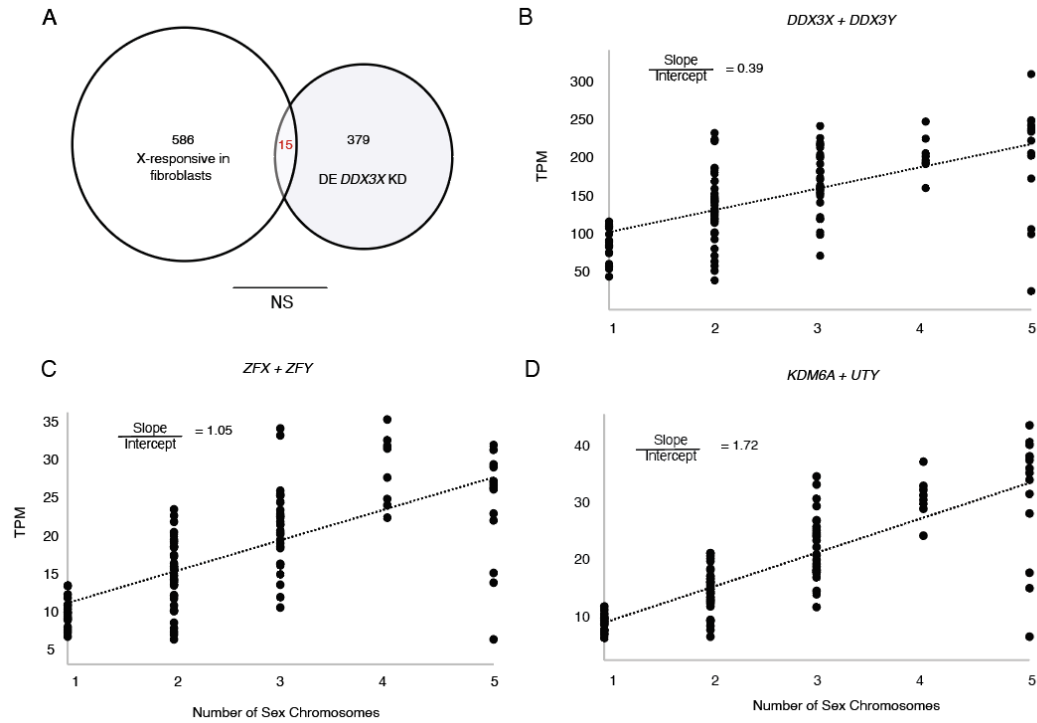


Supplemental Figure S2: *DDX3X* levels are unchanged in cells with other Y chromosome abnormalities. A) Abnormal recombination between *PRKX* and *PRKY* results in a X-Y translocation and deletion of the Y chromosome which leaves *DDX3Y* intact. B) LCLs derived from individuals with *PRKX-PRKY* translocations have the same levels of *DDX3X* transcripts as WT XY individuals. Statistical significance was determined by Mann Whitney- U test.

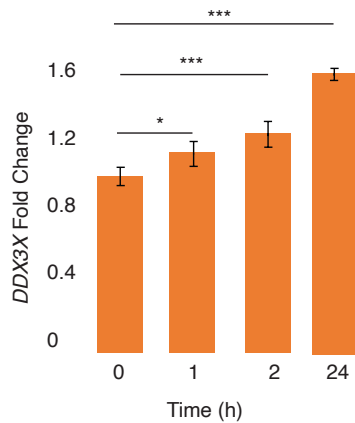




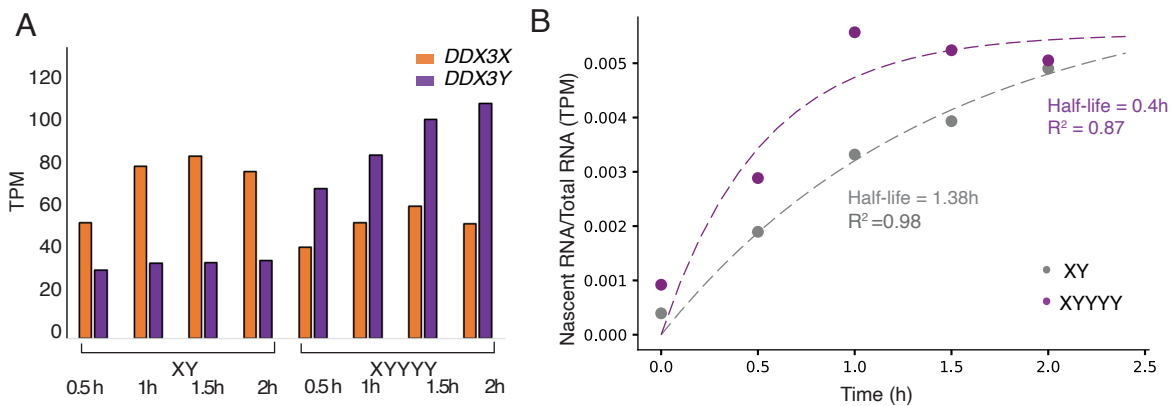
Supplementary Figure S3: *DDX3Y* transcripts are higher in XY cancer cell lines with damaging *DDX3X* mutations. 480 *DDX3X* intact XY lines and 11 *DDX3X* damaged XY lines are plotted. Statistical significance was determined by one tailed t-test, \*\* $p < 0.05$



Supplementary Figure S4: *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* levels are not major contributors to gene expression changes in sex chromosome aneuploidy. A) There is no overlap between genes that are differentially expressed upon *DDX3X* KD in XY fibroblasts and those that respond to X-chromosome dosage in fibroblasts with X chromosome aneuploidies. Hypergeometric test was used to assess statistical significance. B) The increase in the total expression of *DDX3X + DDX3Y* with sex chromosome copy number is buffered compared to similarly constrained X-Y pair genes *ZFX/ZFY* (C) and *KDM6A/UTY* (D).



Supplementary Figure S5: *DDX3X* transcript levels (by qPCR) in XX fibroblasts are significantly elevated when treated with 2 $\mu$ M *DDX3* inhibitor RK-33, proportional to duration of treatment. Statistical significance was determined by one-sided t-test on delta Ct values. Error bars indicate standard deviation of three technical replicates. \* = p < 0.05, \*\*\* = p < 0.001.



Supplementary Figure S6: A) *DDX3Y* levels are elevated and *DDX3X* levels are decreased in XYYYY LCLs compared to XY LCLs. B) *DDX3X* remains destabilized 3-fold in XYYYY LCLs when labeled for up to 7 hours. Normalized fraction of nascent/total *DDX3X* mRNA were fit to the equation  $y = \alpha/\beta * 1 - e^{-\beta t}$  to obtain  $\beta$  (half-life)

## SUPPLEMENTAL TABLES

**Table S1:** Change in gene expression of X and Y homologs per additional Y or X chromosome respectively, in fibroblasts and LCLs. Genes are sorted by adjusted p value.

Fibroblast	Gene	Change per Y Chr	Adjusted p value
	<i>DDX3X</i>	-0.1325	4.21E-06
	<i>PRKX</i>	-0.0964	0.2351
	<i>ZFX</i>	-0.0801	0.2743
	<i>KDM6A</i>	-0.028	0.5569
	<i>USP9X</i>	-0.0455	0.5831
	<i>KDM5C</i>	0.0225	0.8089
	<i>EIF1AX</i>	-0.0079	0.9671
	Gene	Change per X Chr	Adjusted p value
	<i>DDX3Y</i>	-0.1318	0.1743
	<i>ZFY</i>	-0.0667	0.6812
	<i>USP9Y</i>	0.0483	0.706
	<i>PRKY</i>	0.0445	0.706
	<i>KDM5D</i>	0.0429	0.706
	<i>UTY</i>	-0.039	0.706
	<i>EIF1AY</i>	0.0358	0.706
LCL	Gene	Change per Y Chr	Adjusted p value
	<i>DDX3X</i>	-0.1089	9.21E-04
	<i>ZFX</i>	-0.0928	0.0517
	<i>PRKX</i>	-0.072	0.3306
	<i>USP9X</i>	-0.0343	0.4446
	<i>KDM6A</i>	0.0141	0.8804
	<i>EIF1AX</i>	-0.003	0.9259
	<i>KDM5C</i>	0.0045	0.9697
	Gene	Change per X Chr	Adjusted p value
	<i>DDX3Y</i>	-0.0796	0.0768
	<i>KDM5D</i>	0.1095	0.231
	<i>USP9Y</i>	0.0641	0.3028
	<i>EIF1AY</i>	-0.0312	0.4497
	<i>ZFY</i>	-0.0292	0.4497
	<i>PRKY</i>	-0.0198	0.7594
	<i>UTY</i>	-0.0128	0.7594

DepMap ID	Cell Line	Tumor type	Tissue of origin	<i>DDX3X</i> Mutation
ACH-000534	WSUDLCL2	Burkitt Lymphoma	Lymphoid	p.V657fs
ACH-001563	MM127	Melanoma	Skin	p.R292*
ACH-002055	TL1	Burkitt Lymphoma	Lymphoid	p.S410fs
ACH-000654	RAJI	Burkitt Lymphoma	Lymphoid	p.P297P
ACH-001610	NP5	Diffuse Glioma	CNS/Brain	p.M391T
ACH-001097	KARPAS384	Adult T-Cell Leukemia/Lymphoma	T-Cell	p.R46*
ACH-000402	BL70	Burkitt Lymphoma	Lymphoid	p.Y343*
ACH-000056	DOHH2	Diffuse Large B-Cell Lymphoma	Lymphoid	—
ACH-000619	PECAPJ15	Oral Cavity Squamous Cell Carcinoma	Head and Neck	pQ477*
ACH-001617	OCILY7	Diffuse Large B-Cell Lymphoma	Lymphoid	—
ACH-000766	NCIH1648	Lung Adenocarcinoma	Lung	pE196fs

**Table S2:** List of CCLE cell lines annotated with *DDX3X* loss of function

**Table S3:** LOEUF and PCT scores for X homologs of X-Y pair genes. Genes are ordered by combined LOEUF and PCT score.

Gene	LOEUF	LOEUF X rank	Pct	PCT X rank	Combined Score
<i>DDX3X</i>	0.118	92.89	0.338	97.38	134.5786629
<i>KDM6A</i>	0.161	84.08	0.379	98.15	129.2395795
<i>USP9X</i>	0.051	99.61	0.186	81.82	128.9056418
<i>TXLNG</i>	0.158	85.26	0.284	93.99	126.8991241
<i>KDM5C</i>	0.166	83.03	0.245	90.76	123.009587
<i>ZFX</i>	0.16	84.61	0.16	75.65	113.4979057

<i>NLGN4X</i>	0.249	64.34	0.135	71.96	96.52915207
<i>PRKX</i>	0.895	14.74	0.074	56.39	58.28464378

**Table S4:** Expression breadth scores for human X-Y pair genes and their chicken orthologs. Genes are ordered by combined expression breadth.

Gene	Chicken Breadth	Human X Breadth	Combined Breadth
<i>DDX3X</i>	0.730304257	0.471391844	0.869226425
<i>ZFX</i>	0.5212655	0.546732732	0.755403469
<i>USP9X</i>	0.414073276	0.556244707	0.693444195
<i>TBL1X</i>	0.586347148	0.355482986	0.685690259
<i>TXLNG</i>	0.32053212	0.517916258	0.609079708
<i>KDM6A</i>	0.255477286	0.459713152	0.52593234
<i>PRKX</i>	0.217633361	0.208370734	0.301301581
<i>NLGN4X</i>	0.176577057	0.239367661	0.297449717

Y homolog	Chicken Breadth	Human Y Breadth	Combined Breadth
<i>DDX3Y</i>	0.730304257	0.479998852	0.873924027
<i>ZFY</i>	0.5212655	0.523221583	0.738565194
<i>TBL1Y</i>	0.586347148	0.355482986	0.685690259
<i>USP9Y</i>	0.414073276	0.465701179	0.623164718
<i>UTY</i>	0.255477286	0.49371075	0.555894728
<i>NLGN4Y</i>	0.176577057	0.448771995	0.482261092
<i>TXLNGY</i>	0.32053212	0.339798978	0.467123309
<i>PRKY</i>	0.217633361	0.261896003	0.340519891

**Table S5:** *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* expression from filtered XY CCLE cell lines

XY Cell Line	<i>DDX3X</i> Damage ( 1 = Yes)	<i>DDX3X</i> log2 TPM	<i>DDX3Y</i> log 2 TPM
ACH-000534	1	6.248496886	4.865423978
ACH-001563	1	3.537296067	5.09000653
ACH-002055	1	4.06091205	5.628190335
ACH-000654	1	7.640751056	6.451705665
ACH-001610	1	7.184379486	5.032982417
ACH-001097	1	2.049630768	4.00270252
ACH-000402	1	4.367371066	5.878234879
ACH-000056	1	6.637349411	5.487357715
ACH-000619	1	6.200849575	3.861955364
ACH-001617	1	4.764473551	5.341630009

ACH-000766	1	5.325530332	5.192588722
ACH-000267	0	6.798828178	4.986410935
ACH-000750	0	6.715344295	0.214124805
ACH-000544	0	4.788685711	1.847996907
ACH-000045	0	5.626439137	5.262282806
ACH-000774	0	6.721235931	4.438292852
ACH-000892	0	6.982195024	5.838447593
ACH-001648	0	5.746850183	4.437627248
ACH-000948	0	6.738767837	5.241077458
ACH-000883	0	7.376689765	5.549361133
ACH-000479	0	7.168922782	5.785812075
ACH-000005	0	6.713420885	7.175225173
ACH-000130	0	7.252854626	6.285217246
ACH-000765	0	7.12649799	5.634012356
ACH-000836	0	6.895181422	3.336283388
ACH-001385	0	5.140369671	4.50589093
ACH-001454	0	6.012792122	3.365972428
ACH-001685	0	6.607034346	5.221103725
ACH-000120	0	7.303963356	6.515226746
ACH-000659	0	6.543341212	6.801417366
ACH-000904	0	7.931742144	5.67468662
ACH-001560	0	7.301861967	4.947198584
ACH-000452	0	6.989593185	0.443606651
ACH-000953	0	7.707497182	5.324810603
ACH-001634	0	4.842476063	3.583759754
ACH-000365	0	6.465648026	4.985955755
ACH-001818	0	6.048541366	4.216454865
ACH-000317	0	6.075104722	5.396433531
ACH-000508	0	7.7524141	0.250961574
ACH-001164	0	5.66448284	4.100977648
ACH-000859	0	8.155324229	0.344828497
ACH-000577	0	6.619853147	5.63284983
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ACH-000514	0	7.771423441	5.239168879
ACH-000151	0	7.198101209	5.956289027
ACH-000955	0	7.204473331	5.324450605
ACH-000611	0	7.130724991	0.22650853
ACH-000997	0	7.631540867	5.577730931
ACH-001412	0	7.09244003	2.657640005
ACH-000446	0	6.494575617	6.109151579
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ACH-000067	0	7.412612185	5.479295243
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ACH-000115	0	6.98436149	5.226893814
ACH-000760	0	6.698079537	1.599317794
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ACH-001532	0	5.98208091	4.819668183
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ACH-000208	0	6.615298579	5.819923596
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ACH-000253	0	7.275472718	4.135042286
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ACH-000386	0	7.126394738	6.107897062
ACH-000822	0	6.839329782	5.559185866
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ACH-000126	0	6.442445929	5.994353437
ACH-000249	0	6.844737144	4.742006211
ACH-000742	0	6.726422541	4.252476214
ACH-000976	0	6.413966352	3.367371066
ACH-000974	0	7.521207816	0.201633861
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ACH-000269	0	6.94204526	4.630521963
ACH-001528	0	6.420212891	5.402585758
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ACH-000752	0	7.077777073	5.165107985



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ACH-001807	0	6.262094845	3.773996325
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ACH-000970	0	6.978424465	0.298658316

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ACH-001329	0	6.862699341	4.754887502
ACH-001524	0	7.459267667	4.125981654
ACH-001036	0	7.193870285	4.848497755
ACH-000543	0	6.809671678	4.893847558
ACH-000638	0	6.916237768	3.255500733
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ACH-000240	0	6.996275749	5.719457275
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ACH-001228	0	6.607922067	3.792855352
ACH-000829	0	6.96474517	6.037821465
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ACH-000616	0	7.655494946	5.842224613
ACH-000767	0	7.991861931	4.517275693
ACH-001339	0	6.206135253	5.146492307
ACH-000650	0	7.03496399	5.687060688
ACH-001310	0	6.797012978	5.642412773
ACH-000277	0	7.178316272	0.214124805
ACH-000873	0	6.757823336	4.936873462
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ACH-000954	0	7.727852401	0.35614381
ACH-000604	0	5.765799923	0.201633861
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ACH-000459	0	6.838321521	5.876271361
ACH-000813	0	6.412104045	3.742006211
ACH-000743	0	7.025693274	4.605849867
ACH-000612	0	7.263691734	7.005512273
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ACH-000015	0	7.059723	3.407352751
ACH-001207	0	6.754219433	5.054848477
ACH-000064	0	6.685519722	5.996840648
ACH-000747	0	7.00495076	5.848247353
ACH-001740	0	7.08236197	4.211790976
ACH-000102	0	7.792009369	6.159871337
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ACH-000827	0	6.752882366	4.568032105
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ACH-000825	0	6.280028357	0.201633861
ACH-000161	0	6.605553595	4.877253454
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ACH-000358	0	7.509062386	5.85224859
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ACH-000553	0	6.68846014	5.078951341
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ACH-000319	0	7.514359007	6.582254908
ACH-000455	0	6.932155684	6.425761401
ACH-001711	0	6.403608584	5.297191417
ACH-001529	0	6.794935663	4.151371776
ACH-000493	0	7.512068826	5.781097381
ACH-000341	0	6.931801228	6.09212285

**Table S6:** Normalized abundance of peptides that are common to DDX3X & DDX3Y

	R1	R2	R3	R4	R5	R6
Control	1.09127177	1.08166782	1.03229697	1.1682261	1.09425885	1.1015297
DDX3XKD	0.8820274	0.84627154	0.8895345	0.82010613	0.80777338	0.84994896
DDX3YKD	1.04069377	1.09574025	1.08388533	1.07434965	1.10609464	1.06136908

**Table S7:** DESeq2 output of significantly differentially expressed genes upon *DDX3X* knockdown. Significance is determined by adjusted p value < 0.05.

baseMean	log2FoldChange	lfcSE	stat	pvalue	padj
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<i>DDX3X</i>	14898.473	-3.411	0.297	-11.484	1.592E-30	2.239E-26
<i>PARP6</i>	1036.253	0.479	0.054	8.905	5.321E-19	3.743E-15
<i>DLG5</i>	7252.634	0.231	0.031	7.385	1.521E-13	7.132E-10
<i>TCFL5</i>	957.737	-0.298	0.041	-7.180	6.953E-13	2.446E-09
<i>IRAK1</i>	6181.261	0.570	0.082	6.967	3.234E-12	9.100E-09
<i>ERLEC1</i>	11229.619	-0.308	0.044	-6.922	4.441E-12	1.041E-08
<i>PLCD3</i>	3685.770	0.440	0.068	6.495	8.309E-11	1.670E-07
<i>PRKRA</i>	2423.253	0.257	0.041	6.320	2.620E-10	4.608E-07
<i>RUBCN</i>	2174.268	0.342	0.057	6.033	1.606E-09	2.054E-06
<i>SETD3</i>	5093.532	0.255	0.042	6.039	1.548E-09	2.054E-06
<i>ZMYND19</i>	627.915	0.360	0.061	5.911	3.408E-09	3.996E-06
<i>TRIM8</i>	7854.255	0.402	0.069	5.822	5.821E-09	6.101E-06
<i>ZNF703</i>	3579.195	0.528	0.091	5.815	6.071E-09	6.101E-06
<i>BAG1</i>	1162.234	0.493	0.087	5.682	1.333E-08	1.123E-05
<i>RAPGEF1</i>	3970.699	0.405	0.071	5.679	1.353E-08	1.123E-05
<i>TCF20</i>	2307.297	0.284	0.050	5.679	1.356E-08	1.123E-05
<i>RUNX3</i>	444.205	0.414	0.075	5.488	4.068E-08	3.180E-05
<i>PHC1</i>	884.522	0.374	0.069	5.451	5.004E-08	3.706E-05
<i>SLC25A43</i>	3205.496	0.190	0.035	5.439	5.348E-08	3.763E-05
<i>UBAC1</i>	1682.791	0.225	0.042	5.362	8.224E-08	5.510E-05
<i>MAP3K3</i>	4507.077	0.234	0.044	5.331	9.766E-08	5.808E-05
<i>MGST1</i>	5273.417	-0.262	0.049	-5.328	9.907E-08	5.808E-05
<i>TCF3</i>	2699.991	0.332	0.063	5.267	1.388E-07	7.509E-05
<i>MAPKAPK</i>	8199.483	0.253	0.048	5.232	1.674E-07	8.215E-05
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<i>SDCCAG3</i>	1651.691	0.294	0.056	5.230	1.693E-07	8.215E-05
<i>SHB</i>	1541.163	0.272	0.052	5.243	1.578E-07	8.215E-05
<i>ITPK1</i>	2312.786	0.331	0.064	5.168	2.368E-07	1.075E-04
<i>MON1B</i>	2417.502	-0.167	0.032	-5.171	2.327E-07	1.075E-04
<i>ANAPC5</i>	7715.387	0.192	0.038	5.093	3.533E-07	1.554E-04
<i>ARCN1</i>	33084.931	-0.158	0.031	-5.055	4.294E-07	1.831E-04
<i>MAZ</i>	6687.960	0.290	0.057	5.049	4.446E-07	1.840E-04
<i>LINC01420</i>	2011.874	-0.264	0.053	-5.034	4.815E-07	1.936E-04
<i>FAM53B</i>	924.893	0.434	0.087	5.015	5.312E-07	2.076E-04
<i>ZBTB42</i>	130.355	0.570	0.116	4.927	8.340E-07	3.088E-04
<i>ZNF592</i>	3014.298	0.264	0.054	4.932	8.125E-07	3.088E-04
<i>CSRNP2</i>	2734.160	0.192	0.039	4.890	1.006E-06	3.629E-04
<i>FAM219B</i>	2503.299	0.233	0.048	4.867	1.135E-06	3.983E-04
<i>PLEKHO1</i>	1618.110	0.341	0.070	4.862	1.161E-06	3.983E-04
<i>RAB7B</i>	557.174	-0.331	0.068	-4.856	1.198E-06	4.014E-04
<i>CD63</i>	68122.511	-0.202	0.042	-4.809	1.517E-06	4.673E-04

<i>KCMF1</i>	4941.495	0.245	0.051	4.807	1.528E-06	4.673E-04
<i>PLCG1</i>	3644.730	0.220	0.046	4.799	1.594E-06	4.673E-04
<i>RPS6KC1</i>	3417.535	0.157	0.033	4.809	1.517E-06	4.673E-04
<i>TEAD2</i>	1348.081	0.225	0.047	4.820	1.438E-06	4.673E-04
<i>ZNF496</i>	840.073	0.334	0.070	4.800	1.584E-06	4.673E-04
<i>PLCB3</i>	3227.973	0.255	0.053	4.789	1.672E-06	4.740E-04
<i>TIMM8A</i>	450.206	0.294	0.061	4.788	1.685E-06	4.740E-04
<i>FAHD1</i>	2143.229	0.246	0.052	4.766	1.881E-06	5.191E-04
<i>GHITM</i>	10300.856	-0.151	0.032	-4.699	2.617E-06	7.081E-04
<i>AGO2</i>	6020.721	0.311	0.066	4.686	2.779E-06	7.110E-04
<i>DGKD</i>	649.197	0.323	0.069	4.688	2.753E-06	7.110E-04
<i>PRICKLE4</i>	120.187	0.482	0.103	4.690	2.736E-06	7.110E-04
<i>CREBRF</i>	1851.340	-0.282	0.060	-4.663	3.123E-06	7.709E-04
<i>KIAA1147</i>	636.678	0.301	0.064	4.665	3.084E-06	7.709E-04
<i>COPB2</i>	29774.683	-0.166	0.036	-4.640	3.486E-06	8.191E-04
<i>GIT1</i>	2078.965	0.440	0.095	4.637	3.539E-06	8.191E-04
<i>ITPR3</i>	3826.796	0.433	0.093	4.633	3.599E-06	8.191E-04
<i>WNK4</i>	3686.667	0.288	0.062	4.641	3.472E-06	8.191E-04
<i>ZNF618</i>	2062.280	0.242	0.052	4.633	3.610E-06	8.191E-04
<i>CTNND1</i>	23077.280	-0.115	0.025	-4.613	3.974E-06	8.876E-04
<i>GABARAP</i>	11134.970	-0.178	0.039	-4.608	4.061E-06	8.928E-04
<i>MGST3</i>	5289.065	-0.180	0.039	-4.593	4.379E-06	9.478E-04
<i>TNFRSF10</i>	18922.180	0.342	0.075	4.588	4.472E-06	9.534E-04
<i>D</i>						
<i>DAZAP1</i>	3025.025	0.173	0.038	4.584	4.568E-06	9.593E-04
<i>GATAD2A</i>	5566.275	0.347	0.076	4.569	4.896E-06	1.013E-03
<i>ETS1</i>	7031.563	0.265	0.058	4.561	5.096E-06	1.039E-03
<i>SPAG7</i>	1749.665	-0.138	0.030	-4.552	5.317E-06	1.054E-03
<i>USP31</i>	677.582	0.419	0.092	4.547	5.437E-06	1.062E-03
<i>KRTAP1-5</i>	2973.425	-0.618	0.136	-4.531	5.883E-06	1.123E-03
<i>RFNG</i>	1688.438	0.436	0.096	4.530	5.906E-06	1.123E-03
<i>SAMD1</i>	2103.051	0.230	0.051	4.509	6.505E-06	1.220E-03
<i>MORF4L1</i>	28028.860	-0.185	0.041	-4.505	6.645E-06	1.230E-03
<i>AAAS</i>	1459.628	-0.214	0.048	-4.448	8.656E-06	1.542E-03
<i>DVL1</i>	4585.184	0.660	0.149	4.440	8.977E-06	1.579E-03
<i>PLEKHM2</i>	5544.373	0.277	0.063	4.428	9.497E-06	1.650E-03
<i>AP3D1</i>	14032.809	0.192	0.043	4.422	9.792E-06	1.680E-03
<i>ZNF74</i>	208.919	0.390	0.088	4.406	1.052E-05	1.783E-03
<i>CDR2L</i>	4347.768	0.358	0.081	4.398	1.092E-05	1.808E-03
<i>HYOU1</i>	8724.941	0.190	0.043	4.398	1.091E-05	1.808E-03
<i>SERINC2</i>	3423.428	-0.248	0.056	-4.387	1.152E-05	1.884E-03

<i>EPRS</i>	23398.834	-0.144	0.033	-4.383	1.173E-05	1.897E-03
<i>MTMR12</i>	2392.374	0.243	0.056	4.359	1.305E-05	2.062E-03
<i>SENP2</i>	3555.594	0.155	0.036	4.361	1.295E-05	2.062E-03
<i>POFUT1</i>	7043.627	0.132	0.030	4.350	1.359E-05	2.101E-03
<i>RAD51D</i>	742.997	0.355	0.082	4.313	1.614E-05	2.469E-03
<i>MICALL1</i>	3112.260	0.333	0.077	4.300	1.707E-05	2.582E-03
<i>HMBS</i>	793.504	0.323	0.075	4.290	1.790E-05	2.679E-03
<i>PKN1</i>	6270.278	0.373	0.087	4.278	1.890E-05	2.799E-03
<i>RNF19B</i>	758.983	0.217	0.051	4.268	1.969E-05	2.857E-03
<i>BRPF3</i>	2765.488	0.170	0.040	4.226	2.381E-05	3.317E-03
<i>MFHAS1</i>	718.927	0.422	0.100	4.227	2.373E-05	3.317E-03
<i>BTBD6</i>	3069.288	0.322	0.077	4.210	2.559E-05	3.530E-03
<i>FBXO17</i>	1127.315	0.290	0.069	4.186	2.844E-05	3.818E-03
<i>GTF2IRD1</i>	899.028	0.278	0.066	4.189	2.800E-05	3.818E-03
<i>TMED8</i>	2070.881	0.182	0.043	4.185	2.849E-05	3.818E-03
<i>CERK</i>	6260.885	0.222	0.053	4.182	2.893E-05	3.840E-03
<i>ABHD6</i>	629.659	0.245	0.059	4.164	3.131E-05	4.089E-03
<i>IQCE</i>	1851.848	0.208	0.050	4.163	3.139E-05	4.089E-03
<i>GPX8</i>	22910.342	-0.213	0.052	-4.130	3.627E-05	4.640E-03
<i>PPP1R26</i>	746.976	0.359	0.087	4.130	3.623E-05	4.640E-03
<i>CDK16</i>	6143.801	0.183	0.044	4.119	3.800E-05	4.817E-03
<i>MTA1</i>	2398.876	0.222	0.054	4.117	3.847E-05	4.832E-03
<i>BAG2</i>	6435.615	-0.284	0.069	-4.113	3.910E-05	4.868E-03
<i>PRKAR2A</i>	7521.342	0.219	0.053	4.107	4.007E-05	4.905E-03
<i>RAB3GAP1</i>	12882.719	-0.156	0.038	-4.107	4.009E-05	4.905E-03
<i>CREB3L1</i>	20068.518	-0.185	0.045	-4.100	4.130E-05	5.010E-03
<i>HIST1H2B</i>	799.495	-0.270	0.066	-4.095	4.230E-05	5.087E-03
<i>D</i>						
<i>KDELR2</i>	39561.303	-0.134	0.033	-4.082	4.474E-05	5.334E-03
<i>UBE2H</i>	11857.315	-0.252	0.062	-4.077	4.568E-05	5.401E-03
<i>ATP6V1E1</i>	8440.182	-0.125	0.031	-4.058	4.955E-05	5.809E-03
<i>CEP170B</i>	4336.611	0.284	0.070	4.050	5.115E-05	5.851E-03
<i>DUSP7</i>	1861.287	0.276	0.068	4.053	5.048E-05	5.851E-03
<i>LSM11</i>	387.097	0.314	0.078	4.051	5.107E-05	5.851E-03
<i>ANO8</i>	418.186	0.415	0.103	4.047	5.196E-05	5.895E-03
<i>STARD10</i>	384.169	0.358	0.089	4.030	5.585E-05	6.237E-03
<i>MCM3AP</i>	6175.466	0.196	0.049	4.024	5.725E-05	6.258E-03
<i>PTGFR</i>	1428.093	-0.365	0.091	-4.025	5.709E-05	6.258E-03
<i>SYNE1</i>	12398.416	-0.250	0.062	-4.022	5.782E-05	6.258E-03
<i>SHANK3</i>	240.178	0.409	0.102	4.015	5.937E-05	6.376E-03
<i>CHMP2A</i>	3700.699	-0.260	0.065	-3.994	6.510E-05	6.939E-03

<i>FDFT1</i>	5454.299	-0.152	0.038	-3.984	6.764E-05	7.156E-03
<i>HIST1H4H</i>	544.842	-0.270	0.068	-3.966	7.314E-05	7.622E-03
<i>PABPC1L</i>	88.367	0.551	0.139	3.966	7.307E-05	7.622E-03
<i>AADAT</i>	406.657	0.260	0.066	3.953	7.714E-05	7.865E-03
<i>ABHD4</i>	2111.898	-0.211	0.053	-3.954	7.693E-05	7.865E-03
<i>HIVEP3</i>	990.404	0.381	0.096	3.956	7.619E-05	7.865E-03
<i>NCK2</i>	1494.815	0.256	0.065	3.950	7.818E-05	7.914E-03
<i>ABCC9</i>	3851.629	-0.231	0.059	-3.943	8.045E-05	8.085E-03
<i>NUDT18</i>	420.857	-0.298	0.076	-3.938	8.224E-05	8.206E-03
<i>SGPL1</i>	2380.479	0.167	0.042	3.934	8.344E-05	8.267E-03
<i>CLK3</i>	1490.841	-0.177	0.045	-3.928	8.565E-05	8.427E-03
<i>CAT</i>	4340.164	-0.131	0.033	-3.924	8.706E-05	8.485E-03
<i>GOLPH3L</i>	1990.804	-0.189	0.048	-3.923	8.744E-05	8.485E-03
<i>KCNK2</i>	10463.281	-0.158	0.041	-3.904	9.450E-05	9.107E-03
<i>SLC7A1</i>	21582.848	0.272	0.070	3.895	9.809E-05	9.388E-03
<i>EPHB4</i>	1814.502	0.225	0.058	3.893	9.920E-05	9.423E-03
<i>ZNF274</i>	999.787	0.192	0.049	3.889	1.005E-04	9.423E-03
<i>RIT1</i>	2272.419	-0.179	0.046	-3.877	1.057E-04	9.848E-03
<i>GARS</i>	27038.900	-0.152	0.039	-3.871	1.082E-04	9.894E-03
<i>KHSRP</i>	6559.052	0.152	0.039	3.872	1.078E-04	9.894E-03
<i>ZKSCAN1</i>	8993.789	-0.197	0.051	-3.871	1.083E-04	9.894E-03
<i>KIAA0196</i>	5039.951	-0.154	0.040	-3.863	1.121E-04	9.920E-03
<i>MMP14</i>	40005.655	0.225	0.058	3.866	1.104E-04	9.920E-03
<i>WBP2</i>	3210.200	-0.174	0.045	-3.865	1.110E-04	9.920E-03
<i>ZBTB38</i>	14726.921	-0.160	0.041	-3.863	1.119E-04	9.920E-03
<i>CCDC85C</i>	1332.051	0.407	0.105	3.858	1.142E-04	1.005E-02
<i>TBC1D1</i>	3797.415	0.307	0.080	3.851	1.176E-04	1.027E-02
<i>DGKQ</i>	775.252	0.409	0.106	3.842	1.218E-04	1.051E-02
<i>GBF1</i>	12788.291	-0.094	0.025	-3.844	1.212E-04	1.051E-02
<i>CACNB3</i>	993.681	0.288	0.075	3.840	1.232E-04	1.052E-02
<i>DYNLRB1</i>	7456.410	-0.141	0.037	-3.838	1.241E-04	1.052E-02
<i>EPN1</i>	7286.726	0.301	0.079	3.839	1.237E-04	1.052E-02
<i>CAMSAP1</i>	3096.465	0.242	0.063	3.827	1.299E-04	1.082E-02
<i>IFFO2</i>	2146.582	0.148	0.039	3.828	1.293E-04	1.082E-02
<i>ATP5E</i>	8151.648	-0.266	0.070	-3.812	1.377E-04	1.126E-02
<i>IRF2</i>	941.689	-0.274	0.072	-3.814	1.367E-04	1.126E-02
<i>PDGFC</i>	9770.930	-0.160	0.042	-3.812	1.376E-04	1.126E-02
<i>RBPMS</i>	3022.308	-0.284	0.075	-3.808	1.401E-04	1.140E-02
<i>SOX12</i>	1774.488	0.198	0.052	3.806	1.412E-04	1.142E-02
<i>PRR13</i>	4730.575	-0.148	0.039	-3.788	1.520E-04	1.222E-02
<i>GTF3A</i>	4203.605	0.159	0.042	3.776	1.597E-04	1.277E-02

<i>IFNGR2</i>	4025.030	-0.165	0.044	-3.772	1.616E-04	1.285E-02
<i>ARSJ</i>	6156.395	-0.187	0.050	-3.768	1.645E-04	1.300E-02
<i>NSF</i>	6970.648	-0.149	0.040	-3.763	1.679E-04	1.313E-02
<i>TAF10</i>	1800.407	-0.195	0.052	-3.764	1.674E-04	1.313E-02
<i>PTPRF</i>	9226.105	0.154	0.041	3.760	1.702E-04	1.323E-02
<i>MINK1</i>	7589.883	0.137	0.036	3.753	1.746E-04	1.345E-02
<i>VPS72</i>	1792.170	-0.160	0.043	-3.753	1.749E-04	1.345E-02
<i>AMZ2</i>	4115.813	-0.169	0.045	-3.748	1.786E-04	1.365E-02
<i>SGMS2</i>	5069.612	-0.226	0.060	-3.746	1.800E-04	1.369E-02
<i>CCNH</i>	1651.593	-0.178	0.048	-3.735	1.876E-04	1.389E-02
<i>EPHB1</i>	233.946	0.714	0.191	3.736	1.867E-04	1.389E-02
<i>NSMF</i>	1649.142	0.259	0.069	3.735	1.876E-04	1.389E-02
<i>ZFYVE9</i>	4216.755	0.147	0.039	3.738	1.858E-04	1.389E-02
<i>ACAT2</i>	970.763	-0.271	0.073	-3.720	1.993E-04	1.457E-02
<i>ANXA4</i>	7116.245	-0.155	0.042	-3.719	1.998E-04	1.457E-02
<i>MYPOP</i>	509.872	0.259	0.070	3.722	1.980E-04	1.457E-02
<i>FBXW2</i>	6594.163	0.100	0.027	3.713	2.047E-04	1.485E-02
<i>SERINC3</i>	20828.996	-0.135	0.036	-3.712	2.058E-04	1.485E-02
<i>HSBP1L1</i>	294.543	0.290	0.078	3.708	2.092E-04	1.486E-02
<i>RBMS2</i>	9788.836	-0.230	0.062	-3.709	2.082E-04	1.486E-02
<i>SLC35B3</i>	2886.136	-0.168	0.045	-3.709	2.077E-04	1.486E-02
<i>COPZ1</i>	7214.860	-0.138	0.037	-3.701	2.151E-04	1.505E-02
<i>HIST1H2AC</i>	3542.890	-0.329	0.089	-3.701	2.145E-04	1.505E-02
<i>LRRC2</i>	1068.705	-0.260	0.070	-3.703	2.134E-04	1.505E-02
<i>MAN2A1</i>	7404.676	0.161	0.044	3.699	2.160E-04	1.505E-02
<i>AVEN</i>	1648.643	0.198	0.054	3.695	2.198E-04	1.524E-02
<i>VPS52</i>	2725.968	-0.136	0.037	-3.691	2.234E-04	1.541E-02
<i>POLR3E</i>	1045.289	0.233	0.063	3.686	2.277E-04	1.563E-02
<i>BLVRA</i>	1837.236	-0.140	0.038	-3.684	2.292E-04	1.565E-02
<i>PNO1</i>	1611.612	0.176	0.048	3.678	2.354E-04	1.592E-02
<i>FCF1</i>	3480.164	-0.112	0.031	-3.673	2.399E-04	1.615E-02
<i>HIRIP3</i>	405.924	-0.299	0.081	-3.671	2.415E-04	1.618E-02
<i>CCDC127</i>	2159.887	-0.149	0.041	-3.667	2.451E-04	1.634E-02
<i>NFIC</i>	14695.869	-0.197	0.054	-3.666	2.464E-04	1.635E-02
<i>LRRK1</i>	1819.182	0.211	0.058	3.660	2.524E-04	1.667E-02
<i>ZZEF1</i>	4822.443	0.190	0.052	3.654	2.583E-04	1.699E-02
<i>ANKS6</i>	1168.097	0.275	0.075	3.651	2.608E-04	1.707E-02
<i>B4GALT4</i>	3231.938	-0.181	0.050	-3.650	2.626E-04	1.711E-02
<i>TAPBP</i>	6657.141	0.109	0.030	3.648	2.642E-04	1.713E-02
<i>CHKA</i>	356.027	0.259	0.071	3.634	2.788E-04	1.799E-02
<i>BRI3BP</i>	993.530	0.282	0.078	3.633	2.805E-04	1.801E-02

<i>C2orf88</i>	142.294	0.439	0.121	3.628	2.855E-04	1.801E-02
<i>MAN2A2</i>	2664.403	0.199	0.055	3.629	2.846E-04	1.801E-02
<i>POGK</i>	4073.162	0.115	0.032	3.628	2.853E-04	1.801E-02
<i>PTDSS1</i>	4880.744	0.295	0.081	3.631	2.828E-04	1.801E-02
<i>MLLT6</i>	1922.946	0.220	0.061	3.625	2.886E-04	1.805E-02
<i>SHC1</i>	24835.512	-0.157	0.043	-3.626	2.874E-04	1.805E-02
<i>UBA2</i>	5562.043	0.188	0.052	3.621	2.935E-04	1.827E-02
<i>HOXA9</i>	1299.158	-0.159	0.044	-3.617	2.982E-04	1.840E-02
<i>ZNF558</i>	739.995	0.216	0.060	3.617	2.978E-04	1.840E-02
<i>ALG13</i>	1034.357	-0.282	0.078	-3.615	3.007E-04	1.848E-02
<i>C11orf95</i>	1975.123	0.266	0.074	3.610	3.057E-04	1.870E-02
<i>PCNT</i>	2039.038	0.197	0.055	3.604	3.136E-04	1.910E-02
<i>ETFDH</i>	1704.993	-0.238	0.066	-3.602	3.152E-04	1.912E-02
<i>SLC25A37</i>	1378.784	0.228	0.063	3.601	3.166E-04	1.912E-02
<i>VSIG10</i>	925.715	0.252	0.070	3.598	3.206E-04	1.928E-02
<i>UBE2V1</i>	15555.392	-0.151	0.042	-3.597	3.221E-04	1.929E-02
<i>GFPT1</i>	18072.105	-0.174	0.048	-3.593	3.273E-04	1.952E-02
<i>RPS27L</i>	10302.534	-0.167	0.047	-3.585	3.369E-04	2.000E-02
<i>PSMC2</i>	6258.134	-0.140	0.039	-3.582	3.415E-04	2.019E-02
<i>PTPN14</i>	29006.445	0.175	0.049	3.575	3.499E-04	2.051E-02
<i>MICU1</i>	5616.677	-0.109	0.031	-3.570	3.564E-04	2.081E-02
<i>ARL1</i>	10357.524	-0.204	0.057	-3.566	3.631E-04	2.102E-02
<i>GORASP2</i>	14499.015	-0.163	0.046	-3.566	3.629E-04	2.102E-02
<i>AKT1</i>	10593.548	0.195	0.055	3.563	3.670E-04	2.116E-02
<i>KLHL12</i>	2532.303	0.123	0.035	3.559	3.720E-04	2.136E-02
<i>MTX2</i>	1788.348	-0.135	0.038	-3.547	3.894E-04	2.205E-02
<i>TMCO3</i>	10795.588	-0.135	0.038	-3.547	3.902E-04	2.205E-02
<i>TMEM251</i>	299.829	0.287	0.081	3.548	3.876E-04	2.205E-02
<i>MRPL43</i>	1950.766	-0.148	0.042	-3.532	4.118E-04	2.306E-02
<i>STRAP</i>	12939.178	-0.140	0.040	-3.531	4.146E-04	2.306E-02
<i>TRMO</i>	398.243	-0.277	0.078	-3.532	4.126E-04	2.306E-02
<i>SYT11</i>	7170.403	-0.192	0.054	-3.527	4.201E-04	2.327E-02
<i>EDF1</i>	9634.125	-0.150	0.042	-3.526	4.222E-04	2.329E-02
<i>MLEC</i>	22992.607	0.124	0.035	3.523	4.259E-04	2.341E-02
<i>KIFC3</i>	1647.248	0.314	0.089	3.521	4.306E-04	2.348E-02
<i>WDR48</i>	2935.489	-0.155	0.044	-3.521	4.302E-04	2.348E-02
<i>PCGF2</i>	2015.922	-0.192	0.055	-3.516	4.385E-04	2.382E-02
<i>TRAFD1</i>	2156.292	-0.144	0.041	-3.513	4.430E-04	2.398E-02
<i>CRABP2</i>	5469.956	-0.403	0.115	-3.510	4.481E-04	2.416E-02
<i>CTNNA1</i>	37570.013	-0.104	0.030	-3.509	4.500E-04	2.416E-02
<i>ALG3</i>	1614.331	-0.171	0.049	-3.508	4.523E-04	2.420E-02



<i>S100A10</i>	14132.105	-0.141	0.040	-3.505	4.565E-04	2.433E-02
<i>ZFYVE27</i>	985.459	0.270	0.077	3.503	4.603E-04	2.444E-02
<i>FAM114A1</i>	17413.752	-0.169	0.048	-3.497	4.705E-04	2.461E-02
<i>SEMA3C</i>	14354.327	-0.231	0.066	-3.499	4.666E-04	2.461E-02
<i>SPG21</i>	3764.401	0.132	0.038	3.499	4.671E-04	2.461E-02
<i>NCOR2</i>	17232.428	0.201	0.058	3.492	4.797E-04	2.490E-02
<i>ZNF768</i>	927.106	0.262	0.075	3.493	4.783E-04	2.490E-02
<i>MOCOS</i>	826.967	-0.230	0.066	-3.480	5.020E-04	2.587E-02
<i>DNAJC3</i>	10070.357	0.162	0.047	3.476	5.097E-04	2.610E-02
<i>SUPT3H</i>	347.086	-0.247	0.071	-3.475	5.101E-04	2.610E-02
<i>ACAP3</i>	1452.502	0.307	0.089	3.457	5.453E-04	2.770E-02
<i>CDYL2</i>	2159.002	0.287	0.083	3.453	5.547E-04	2.798E-02
<i>NLGN1</i>	2776.442	-0.255	0.074	-3.453	5.548E-04	2.798E-02
<i>CDH10</i>	429.629	-0.402	0.116	-3.451	5.576E-04	2.802E-02
<i>FBXO3</i>	2468.590	-0.148	0.043	-3.445	5.708E-04	2.858E-02
<i>AP1G1</i>	14561.316	-0.075	0.022	-3.442	5.770E-04	2.879E-02
<i>B3GNT9</i>	2831.734	-0.219	0.064	-3.439	5.839E-04	2.891E-02
<i>ERRFI1</i>	4275.687	0.466	0.135	3.438	5.857E-04	2.891E-02
<i>LMNA</i>	51639.659	-0.168	0.049	-3.438	5.853E-04	2.891E-02
<i>ARNT</i>	3735.062	-0.146	0.043	-3.433	5.967E-04	2.905E-02
<i>LTBP1</i>	26547.979	-0.170	0.050	-3.434	5.939E-04	2.905E-02
<i>NPM3</i>	492.456	0.276	0.080	3.434	5.952E-04	2.905E-02
<i>WIPF1</i>	6234.625	-0.152	0.044	-3.430	6.042E-04	2.932E-02
<i>ZNF710</i>	725.615	0.241	0.070	3.427	6.101E-04	2.950E-02
<i>CYTH1</i>	899.639	0.179	0.052	3.424	6.163E-04	2.966E-02
<i>SMPDL3A</i>	646.845	-0.285	0.083	-3.423	6.195E-04	2.966E-02
<i>SSFA2</i>	14086.185	0.221	0.065	3.423	6.198E-04	2.966E-02
<i>CNOT8</i>	3031.626	-0.148	0.043	-3.421	6.237E-04	2.975E-02
<i>PRPH2</i>	399.723	-0.331	0.097	-3.418	6.302E-04	2.986E-02
<i>TOP1MT</i>	464.030	0.223	0.065	3.418	6.302E-04	2.986E-02
<i>CBLN3</i>	165.226	-0.469	0.137	-3.416	6.352E-04	2.997E-02
<i>ZC3H6</i>	762.427	-0.312	0.091	-3.415	6.368E-04	2.997E-02
<i>USP36</i>	1945.322	0.236	0.069	3.414	6.393E-04	2.999E-02
<i>PSD4</i>	334.110	0.364	0.107	3.410	6.488E-04	3.033E-02
<i>ZEB2</i>	9506.064	-0.218	0.064	-3.406	6.590E-04	3.070E-02
<i>MTMR4</i>	2044.587	0.154	0.045	3.402	6.696E-04	3.102E-02
<i>TMEM248</i>	9177.249	-0.079	0.023	-3.401	6.702E-04	3.102E-02
<i>FAM114A2</i>	2179.011	-0.142	0.042	-3.398	6.789E-04	3.132E-02
<i>HOXC6</i>	2842.753	-0.189	0.056	-3.394	6.878E-04	3.163E-02
<i>COG6</i>	3677.468	-0.178	0.053	-3.393	6.907E-04	3.165E-02
<i>TMEM260</i>	1443.407	-0.213	0.063	-3.392	6.950E-04	3.175E-02

<i>NTPCR</i>	1595.970	-0.141	0.041	-3.390	6.989E-04	3.179E-02
<i>SLC41A2</i>	1111.975	-0.224	0.066	-3.389	7.004E-04	3.179E-02
<i>SH3BGRL3</i>	38481.086	-0.226	0.067	-3.388	7.040E-04	3.185E-02
<i>BNIP3L</i>	12952.881	-0.211	0.062	-3.386	7.100E-04	3.191E-02
<i>ZNF318</i>	2512.493	0.141	0.042	3.385	7.120E-04	3.191E-02
<i>RBFOX2</i>	14345.711	-0.089	0.026	-3.383	7.174E-04	3.204E-02
<i>CTDSPL</i>	2588.537	0.134	0.040	3.381	7.226E-04	3.207E-02
<i>SMU1</i>	4306.077	-0.090	0.026	-3.381	7.226E-04	3.207E-02
<i>ATPIF1</i>	3104.573	-0.176	0.052	-3.378	7.290E-04	3.215E-02
<i>TXN2</i>	2900.899	-0.114	0.034	-3.378	7.288E-04	3.215E-02
<i>FHOD3</i>	3111.112	0.239	0.071	3.370	7.511E-04	3.278E-02
<i>KIT</i>	744.879	0.292	0.087	3.371	7.499E-04	3.278E-02
<i>ZFP91</i>	9276.858	0.133	0.040	3.372	7.460E-04	3.278E-02
<i>KHNYN</i>	2518.690	0.204	0.061	3.369	7.549E-04	3.278E-02
<i>ARFGAP3</i>	7504.763	-0.121	0.036	-3.366	7.624E-04	3.280E-02
<i>CTSK</i>	1766.283	-0.246	0.073	-3.367	7.608E-04	3.280E-02
<i>SEC24D</i>	21505.830	-0.129	0.038	-3.367	7.595E-04	3.280E-02
<i>CD68</i>	7593.359	-0.259	0.077	-3.360	7.797E-04	3.325E-02
<i>CRMP1</i>	621.303	0.184	0.055	3.361	7.755E-04	3.325E-02
<i>FARP1</i>	17310.118	0.153	0.046	3.360	7.794E-04	3.325E-02
<i>AIMP1</i>	3449.723	-0.180	0.053	-3.359	7.828E-04	3.328E-02
<i>CKAP4</i>	74616.364	-0.133	0.040	-3.355	7.942E-04	3.341E-02
<i>HIF1A</i>	77205.026	-0.268	0.080	-3.354	7.955E-04	3.341E-02
<i>MKRN1</i>	4498.096	-0.113	0.034	-3.357	7.893E-04	3.341E-02
<i>PAF1</i>	3320.928	-0.215	0.064	-3.355	7.936E-04	3.341E-02
<i>GPSM1</i>	1994.614	0.267	0.080	3.353	8.004E-04	3.352E-02
<i>TMEM263</i>	14961.960	-0.248	0.074	-3.348	8.139E-04	3.398E-02
<i>EDA2R</i>	1776.682	-0.177	0.053	-3.345	8.241E-04	3.431E-02
<i>CSNK1E</i>	5671.119	0.193	0.058	3.339	8.417E-04	3.493E-02
<i>CFAP20</i>	1161.417	-0.161	0.048	-3.334	8.565E-04	3.544E-02
<i>MORN2</i>	563.235	-0.205	0.062	-3.327	8.778E-04	3.622E-02
<i>MARCKSL1</i>	1106.616	0.351	0.106	3.324	8.869E-04	3.636E-02
<i>MFAP1</i>	2741.662	-0.223	0.067	-3.323	8.891E-04	3.636E-02
<i>PRRC1</i>	9561.895	-0.215	0.065	-3.325	8.850E-04	3.636E-02
<i>RBM7</i>	2464.877	-0.268	0.081	-3.319	9.024E-04	3.679E-02
<i>ARL3</i>	2239.110	-0.185	0.056	-3.310	9.338E-04	3.786E-02
<i>ETS2</i>	1173.026	0.206	0.062	3.304	9.532E-04	3.854E-02
<i>LDOC1</i>	2336.918	-0.135	0.041	-3.301	9.639E-04	3.881E-02
<i>NEDD8</i>	6771.052	-0.091	0.028	-3.300	9.654E-04	3.881E-02
<i>PSMD10</i>	3023.756	-0.149	0.045	-3.295	9.834E-04	3.922E-02
<i>TBC1D16</i>	3514.421	0.281	0.085	3.296	9.797E-04	3.922E-02

<i>TICRR</i>	240.567	0.407	0.124	3.295	9.839E-04	3.922E-02
<i>SYNRG</i>	2795.153	-0.106	0.032	-3.292	9.954E-04	3.956E-02
<i>COLGALT2</i>	1113.445	0.458	0.139	3.291	9.989E-04	3.957E-02
<i>NAV2</i>	2754.180	0.294	0.089	3.289	1.004E-03	3.957E-02
<i>PUM2</i>	6176.780	-0.126	0.038	-3.290	1.002E-03	3.957E-02
<i>IMMT</i>	5582.112	-0.127	0.039	-3.284	1.022E-03	4.017E-02
<i>BBIP1</i>	656.587	-0.276	0.084	-3.282	1.032E-03	4.044E-02
<i>MPV17</i>	2001.258	-0.146	0.044	-3.281	1.035E-03	4.044E-02
<i>DRAM1</i>	6765.917	-0.176	0.054	-3.275	1.056E-03	4.116E-02
<i>DMWD</i>	2137.601	0.193	0.059	3.271	1.071E-03	4.162E-02
<i>FAM101B</i>	4358.021	0.298	0.091	3.270	1.076E-03	4.171E-02
<i>GSTM4</i>	461.245	-0.190	0.058	-3.269	1.080E-03	4.174E-02
<i>SNUPN</i>	1115.374	-0.155	0.047	-3.263	1.104E-03	4.243E-02
<i>TMEM14A</i>	1312.678	-0.153	0.047	-3.260	1.115E-03	4.261E-02
<i>GJA1</i>	10860.576	-0.260	0.080	-3.255	1.132E-03	4.318E-02
<i>TMA7</i>	5310.940	-0.144	0.044	-3.253	1.142E-03	4.342E-02
<i>C19orf12</i>	2001.963	0.200	0.062	3.250	1.155E-03	4.369E-02
<i>ST3GAL1</i>	5106.623	0.276	0.085	3.248	1.164E-03	4.377E-02
<i>ZSCAN26</i>	861.410	-0.184	0.057	-3.248	1.163E-03	4.377E-02
<i>RNF135</i>	801.661	0.225	0.069	3.245	1.175E-03	4.396E-02
<i>TMEM120</i>	1098.742	0.269	0.083	3.245	1.174E-03	4.396E-02
<i>B</i>						
<i>PFN1</i>	57803.402	-0.125	0.038	-3.242	1.185E-03	4.408E-02
<i>PINX1</i>	392.457	0.233	0.072	3.242	1.187E-03	4.408E-02
<i>STX7</i>	5047.023	-0.129	0.040	-3.243	1.182E-03	4.408E-02
<i>SLC22A15</i>	453.450	0.220	0.068	3.234	1.222E-03	4.512E-02
<i>WHSC1</i>	3230.022	0.361	0.112	3.232	1.231E-03	4.533E-02
<i>MTRR</i>	2291.936	-0.155	0.048	-3.229	1.243E-03	4.565E-02
<i>ADCY3</i>	3449.457	0.200	0.062	3.222	1.275E-03	4.659E-02
<i>ANKIB1</i>	10454.665	-0.159	0.050	-3.221	1.276E-03	4.659E-02
<i>C3orf67</i>	139.613	0.409	0.127	3.221	1.278E-03	4.659E-02
<i>SENP8</i>	294.098	-0.304	0.094	-3.219	1.287E-03	4.667E-02
<i>MYL12B</i>	40464.640	-0.154	0.048	-3.215	1.302E-03	4.699E-02
<i>ZNF597</i>	373.038	0.247	0.077	3.216	1.300E-03	4.699E-02
<i>HIST2H4A</i>	266.576	-0.739	0.230	-3.214	1.309E-03	4.712E-02
<i>RNF166</i>	398.884	0.268	0.083	3.212	1.318E-03	4.728E-02
<i>SOCS7</i>	1207.899	0.211	0.066	3.211	1.321E-03	4.728E-02
<i>PPRC1</i>	2923.872	0.155	0.048	3.210	1.329E-03	4.734E-02
<i>DDX51</i>	601.496	0.205	0.064	3.207	1.343E-03	4.753E-02
<i>SUMO1</i>	8010.159	-0.239	0.075	-3.208	1.339E-03	4.753E-02
<i>UFSP2</i>	1532.767	-0.170	0.053	-3.206	1.345E-03	4.753E-02

<i>TXNDC11</i>	3422.091	-0.116	0.036	-3.205	1.351E-03	4.765E-02
<i>TMEM110</i>	2240.705	0.137	0.043	3.197	1.388E-03	4.872E-02
<i>LNPEP</i>	6178.102	0.123	0.039	3.194	1.402E-03	4.896E-02
<i>CTTNBP2N</i>	8091.532	-0.211	0.066	-3.192	1.412E-03	4.919E-02
<i>L</i>						
<i>COG1</i>	2313.968	-0.136	0.043	-3.191	1.416E-03	4.921E-02
<i>PPP1R3C</i>	14369.752	-0.262	0.082	-3.190	1.425E-03	4.939E-02
<i>ADAMTS4</i>	623.243	0.243	0.076	3.188	1.431E-03	4.946E-02
<i>RNF111</i>	3984.200	-0.164	0.051	-3.187	1.437E-03	4.955E-02
<i>MARCH6</i>	11168.605	-0.099	0.031	-3.184	1.454E-03	4.987E-02
<i>POM121</i>	4194.894	0.152	0.048	3.182	1.460E-03	4.987E-02
<i>SMIM14</i>	5309.909	-0.303	0.095	-3.183	1.460E-03	4.987E-02
<i>ZNF202</i>	479.526	0.198	0.062	3.184	1.453E-03	4.987E-02
<i>RUFY3</i>	1511.116	0.147	0.046	3.181	1.467E-03	4.993E-02
<i>TMEM50A</i>	23453.582	-0.132	0.042	-3.180	1.473E-03	4.993E-02

**Table S8:** DESeq2 output of significantly differentially expressed genes upon *DDX3Y* knockdown. Significance is determined by adjusted p value < 0.05.

	baseMean	log2FoldChange	lfcSE	stat	pvalue	padj
<i>DDX3Y</i>	6452.045	-2.393	0.094	-25.553	5.046E-144	2.115E-139
<i>PPP1R21</i>	1373.113	-0.174	0.032	-5.434	5.518E-08	2.891E-04
<i>TMEM154</i>	997.563	-0.696	0.148	-4.720	2.360E-06	3.956E-03
<i>POLR3G</i>	255.766	-0.590	0.138	-4.290	1.789E-05	2.343E-02
<i>HERC4</i>	11286.374	-0.278	0.066	-4.216	2.483E-05	3.096E-02
<i>SOCS6</i>	3243.938	-0.193	0.046	-4.214	2.512E-05	3.096E-02

**Table S9:** Allelic ratio values and change in gene expression per extra Xi for X-homologs of X-Y pair genes.

Gene	AR	Change per X Chr
<i>DDX3X</i>	0.56870922	0.257
<i>EIF1AX</i>	0.36436038	0.511
<i>KDM6A</i>	0.77139428	0.829
<i>PRKX</i>	0.53241182	0.467
<i>RPS4X</i>	0.58405489	0.604
<i>USP9X</i>	0.09544748	0.137
<i>ZFX</i>	0.52802306	0.453

**Table S10:** Ct values for qPCR of RK-33 treatment dose response of XX fibroblasts.

Sample	Target	CT
Dose 0 Rep 1	<i>ACTB</i>	17.342
Dose 0 Rep 2	<i>ACTB</i>	17.055
Dose 0 Rep 3	<i>ACTB</i>	17.090
Dose 1 Rep 1	<i>ACTB</i>	17.136
Dose 1 Rep 2	<i>ACTB</i>	17.096
Dose 1 Rep 3	<i>ACTB</i>	16.836
Dose 2 Rep 1	<i>ACTB</i>	17.309
Dose 2 Rep 2	<i>ACTB</i>	17.354
Dose 2 Rep 3	<i>ACTB</i>	17.294
Dose 5 Rep 1	<i>ACTB</i>	17.962
Dose 5 Rep 2	<i>ACTB</i>	17.796
Dose 5 Rep 3	<i>ACTB</i>	17.927
Dose 10 Rep 1	<i>ACTB</i>	19.191
Dose 10 Rep 2	<i>ACTB</i>	19.109
Dose 10 Rep 3	<i>ACTB</i>	19.132
Dose 0 Rep 1	<i>DDX3X</i>	21.953
Dose 0 Rep 2	<i>DDX3X</i>	21.749
Dose 0 Rep 3	<i>DDX3X</i>	21.732
Dose 1 Rep 1	<i>DDX3X</i>	21.969
Dose 1 Rep 2	<i>DDX3X</i>	21.710
Dose 1 Rep 3	<i>DDX3X</i>	21.597
Dose 2 Rep 1	<i>DDX3X</i>	21.503
Dose 2 Rep 2	<i>DDX3X</i>	21.449
Dose 2 Rep 3	<i>DDX3X</i>	21.561
Dose 5 Rep 1	<i>DDX3X</i>	21.136
Dose 5 Rep 2	<i>DDX3X</i>	20.985
Dose 5 Rep 3	<i>DDX3X</i>	20.995
Dose 10 Rep 1	<i>DDX3X</i>	21.165
Dose 10 Rep 2	<i>DDX3X</i>	20.992
Dose 10 Rep 3	<i>DDX3X</i>	20.852

**Table S11:** Ct values for qPCR of RK-33 treatment time response of XX fibroblasts.

Sample	Target	CT
Time 0 Rep 1	<i>ACTB</i>	17.416
Time 0 Rep 2	<i>ACTB</i>	17.377
Time 0 Rep 3	<i>ACTB</i>	17.459
Time 1 Rep 1	<i>ACTB</i>	17.603

Time 1 Rep 2	<i>ACTB</i>	17.598
Time 1 Rep 3	<i>ACTB</i>	17.714
Time 2 Rep 1	<i>ACTB</i>	17.829
Time 2 Rep 2	<i>ACTB</i>	17.706
Time 2 Rep 3	<i>ACTB</i>	17.745
Time 4 Rep 1	<i>ACTB</i>	17.977
Time 4 Rep 2	<i>ACTB</i>	17.625
Time 4 Rep 3	<i>ACTB</i>	17.916
Time 24 Rep 1	<i>ACTB</i>	17.970
Time 24 Rep 2	<i>ACTB</i>	17.875
Time 24 Rep 3	<i>ACTB</i>	17.758
Time 0 Rep 1	<i>DDX3X</i>	21.675
Time 0 Rep 2	<i>DDX3X</i>	21.542
Time 0 Rep 3	<i>DDX3X</i>	21.704
Time 1 Rep 1	<i>DDX3X</i>	21.726
Time 1 Rep 2	<i>DDX3X</i>	21.615
Time 1 Rep 3	<i>DDX3X</i>	21.699
Time 2 Rep 1	<i>DDX3X</i>	21.823
Time 2 Rep 2	<i>DDX3X</i>	21.539
Time 2 Rep 3	<i>DDX3X</i>	21.634
Time 4 Rep 1	<i>DDX3X</i>	21.800
Time 4 Rep 2	<i>DDX3X</i>	21.838
Time 4 Rep 3	<i>DDX3X</i>	21.718
Time 24 Rep 1	<i>DDX3X</i>	21.545
Time 24 Rep 2	<i>DDX3X</i>	21.442
Time 24 Rep 3	<i>DDX3X</i>	21.255

## Chapter 3

### Y chromosome-encoded regulators are essential in cancer cell lines

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## **Abstract**

The Y chromosome, which encodes broadly expressed regulatory genes, has been systematically excluded from genome-wide screens of essentiality. Here we use functional genomics data from the Cancer Dependency Map to test the essentiality of eight Y-chromosomal genes and identify > 80 cell lines which require one or more of these genes for proliferation. Particularly, we note that *DDX3Y* is required for viability in 25 cancer cell lines, including solid tumors, lymphomas and leukemias. Most cancers that require *DDX3Y* present with loss-of-function mutations in the X-chromosome homolog, *DDX3X*, and have elevated *DDX3Y* expression compared to *DDX3X* WT cell lines, uncovering a novel dependency in male tumors.

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## Background

The Cancer Dependency Map (Depmap) is a repository of high-throughput loss-of-function screens that identify genes essential for proliferation in thousands of cancer cell lines, combined with deep genomic and transcriptomic characterization of the lines (Cancer Cell Line Encyclopedia) (Dempster et al., 2021; Ghandi et al., 2019; Tsherniak et al., 2017). This source has yielded many insights into the genetic changes that contribute to tumorigenesis. The genes on the Y chromosome have long posed a problem for such screens; as these genes are only expressed from a single copy in cell lines with a Y chromosome, they require specialized analyses. Y chromosome genes are also thought to be dispensable outside the male reproductive tract, furthering their exclusion. However, the Y chromosome contains several broadly-expressed genes (Bellott et al., 2014) , meriting their inclusion in genome-wide essentiality screens. Indeed, Y chromosome loss is common in cancers, making these dosage-sensitive regulators attractive tumor suppressor candidates (Forsberg et al., 2014). Recent work has shown that loss of Y drives tumor growth and severity in many cancer types (Abdel-Hafiz et al., 2023). Furthermore, the majority of cancers are male-biased in incidence and severity, and studying the role of Y chromosome genes in tumorigenesis could provide insight into how this bias arises (Lopes-Ramos et al., 2020).

The human X and Y chromosomes evolved from two ordinary pairs of autosomes over the past 200 million years (Ohno, 1967). Due to a series of inversions and the suppression of crossing over between the proto-X and Y chromosomes, the Y

chromosome was subject to large-scale genetic decay, such that only 3% of the genetic content remains (Skaletsky et al., 2003). The surviving Y chromosome genes were preserved by selection to maintain the ancestral dosage of regulators of key cellular processes, making them highly dosage-sensitive and necessary for male viability and cellular function (Bellott et al., 2014).

Here, we re-analyze these Y chromosome regulators in the Depmap dataset, identifying 81 novel genetic dependencies across a wide range of cancer cell types.

## **Results & Discussion**

We first identified a subset of cell lines that contain a Y chromosome and do not have aberrant X inactivation, denoted ChrYPos (Fig S1, Table S1, Methods). These cells contain a single copy of the X chromosome. We also selected a control population of cell lines that did not contain Y chromosomes, denoted ChrYNeg (FigS1, Table S1). We evaluated all gRNAs for Y-encoded genes that were present in the AVANA guide library used by Depmap. We evaluated gRNAs for the following genes: *DDX3Y*, *USP9Y*, *EIF1AY*, *KDM5D*, *UTY*, *NLGN4Y*, *ZFY*, *RPS4Y1*. In our analyses, we only include gRNAs for Y-chromosome genes that do not also target their X-homologs (Table S2, Methods).

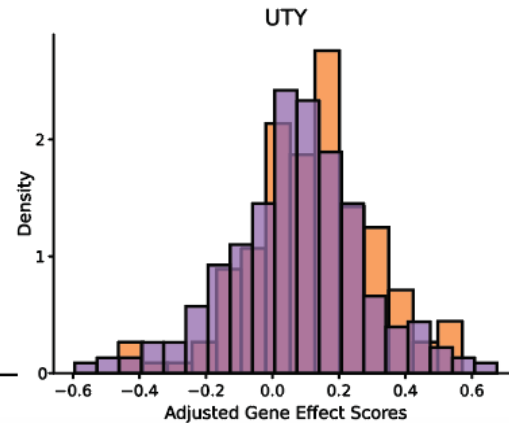
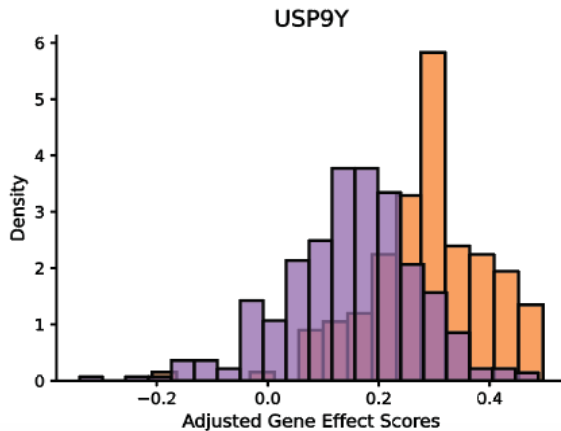
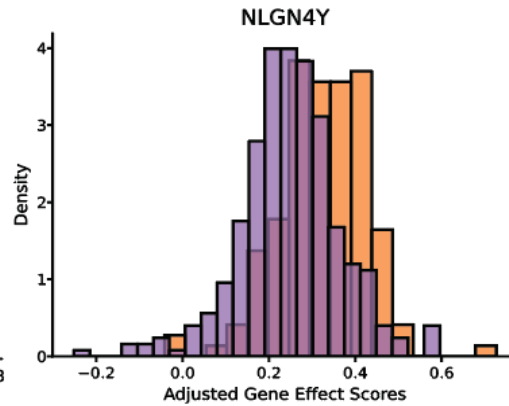
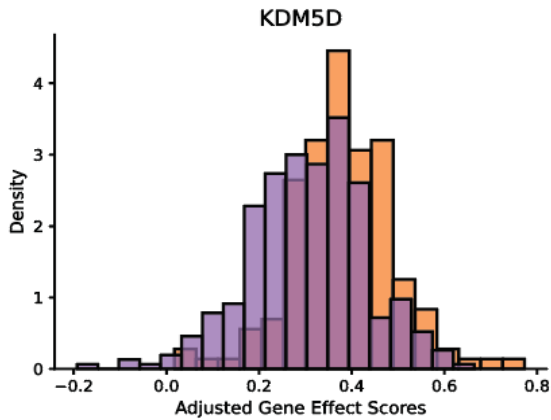
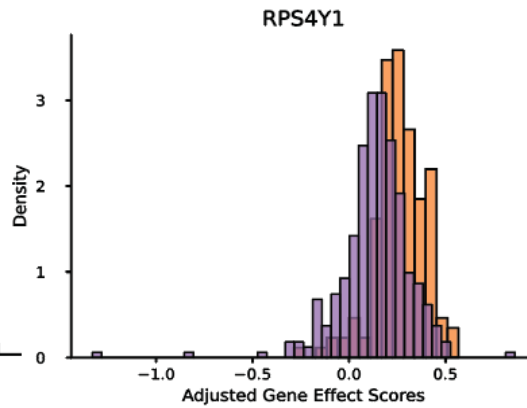
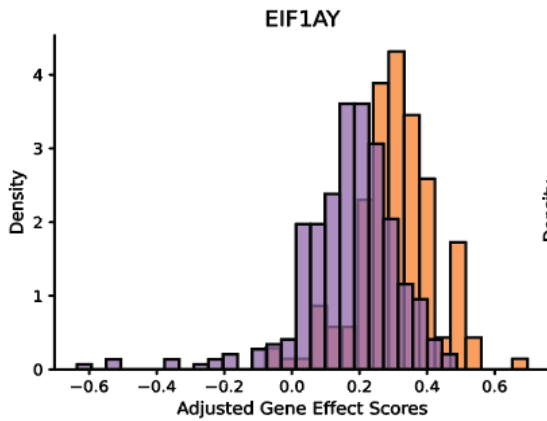
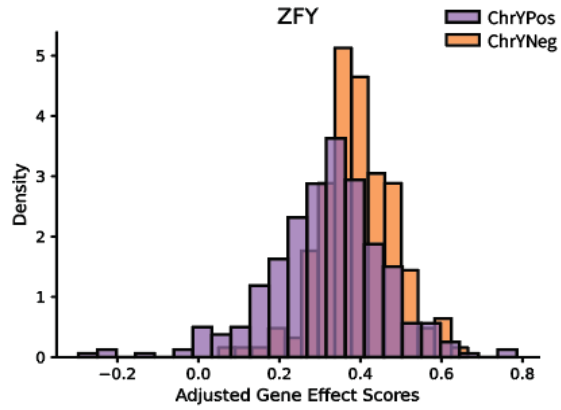
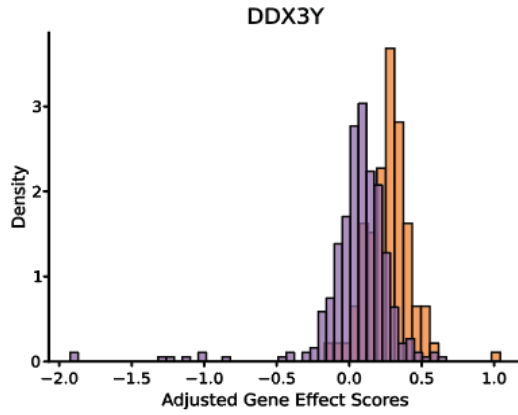
We identified 81 dependencies on Y-chromosome encoded regulators that are present in ChrYPos cells and not in ChrYNeg cells (Fig 1, Table S3). In particular,

*DDX3Y*, *EIF1AY*, *ZFY* or *RPS4Y1* knockdown have large deleterious effects in a number of ChrYPos lines. Many of these genes encode components of the translation initiation and ribosomal complexes, suggesting that such complexes are especially important to the survival and proliferation of cancer cell lines. Conversely, we see fewer dependencies on *KDM5D*, *USP9Y*, *UTY* or *NLGN4Y*. These genes consist of histone demethylases, a peptidase and a membrane protein suggesting that chromatin remodeling and signaling genes on the Y chromosome are not as crucial for the proliferation of ChrYPos cell lines as genes involved in translation. Moreover, we do not see any differences in the dependencies of known autosomal regulators between the ChrYPos and ChrYNeg subsets, demonstrating that these dependencies are specific to the presence or absence of a Y chromosome. (Fig S2).

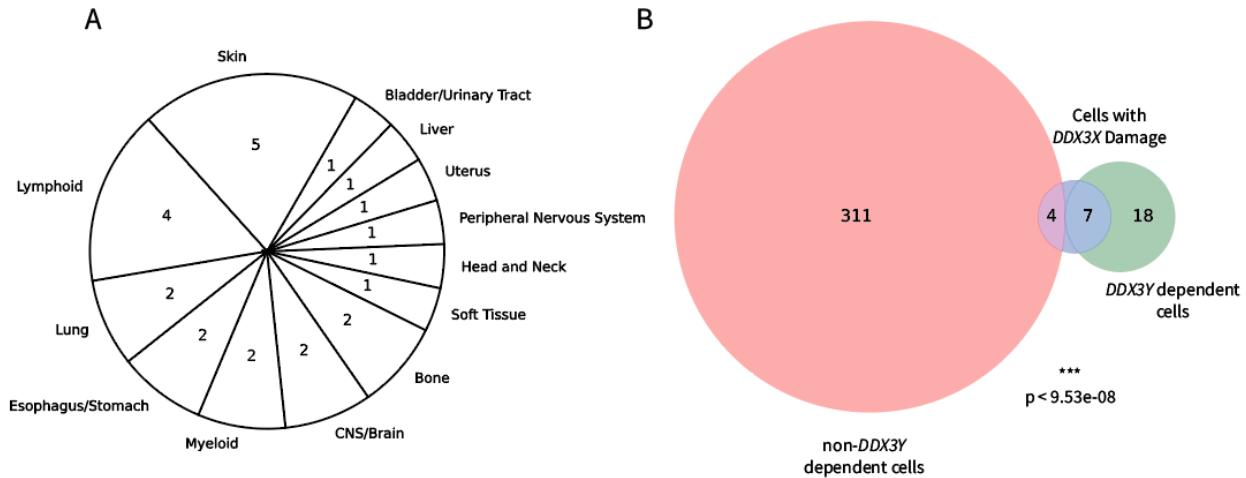
Among the Y chromosome regulators we profiled, *DDX3Y* loss had a deleterious effect in the largest number of cell lines. We identified 25 ChrYPos lines with a *DDX3Y* dependency (Fig 1). These cell lines spanned 13 cancer tissue types, with a slight enrichment for skin and lymphoid tissues, demonstrating that *DDX3Y* is essential in cancers across the body (Fig 2A). Interestingly, its X-chromosome homolog *DDX3X* is mutated in many cancer types; *DDX3X* loss-of-function (LOF) mutations are known drivers of lymphomas and leukemias (Brandimarte et al., 2014; Gong et al., 2021), and other cancer types, including melanomas and medulloblastomas present with deleterious *DDX3X* mutations (Patmore et al., 2020; Phung et al., 2019; Valentin-Vega et al., 2016). *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* negatively cross-regulate each other's expression levels and *DDX3Y* levels are elevated in cells with *DDX3X* mutations (Chapter 2). We

thus hypothesized that cell lines with *DDX3Y* dependencies reflected a *DDX3X-DDX3Y* interaction.

We asked if *DDX3Y* dependent lines were enriched for deleterious *DDX3X* mutations. We used PROVEAN (Protein Variation Effect Analyzer) (Choi et al., 2012) to analyze if a given *DDX3X* mutation was deleterious and 'damaging' to protein function; we then compared cell lines with these mutations to those with a dependency on *DDX3Y*. There was a significant overlap between cell lines with *DDX3X* damage and cell lines with *DDX3Y* dependency (Fig 2B). Meanwhile, cell lines without *DDX3Y* dependency showed no such overlap. We conclude that *DDX3X* LOF in ChrYPos cancer cell lines induces *DDX3Y* upregulation (Chapter 2), resulting in these cells becoming reliant on *DDX3Y* expression.



**Fig 1:** Genetic dependencies of Depmap cell lines on Y chromosome regulators. Histograms show the distribution of gene effect scores for eight Y encoded genes in ChrYPos lines (purple) and ChrYNeg lines (orange). A negative gene effect score indicates a negative fitness effect upon loss of the indicated gene.



**Fig 2:** Characterization of cell lines with *DDX3Y* dependencies. A) Tissue of origin distribution of *DDX3Y*-dependent cancer cell lines. B) Venn Diagram showing significant enrichment of cell lines with *DDX3Y* dependency and cell lines with damaging *DDX3X* mutations (ChrYpos). Statistical significance calculated using hypergeometric test.

This study highlights the role of Y chromosome regulators in the proliferation of cancer cells. Particularly, *DDX3Y* emerges as a key dependency in *DDX3X* mutant cancers, making it a candidate drug target in male lymphomas, leukemias, melanomas and medulloblastomas. The incorporation of these broadly expressed regulators in future cancer research projects, including tumor sequencing and CRISPR screening will improve our understanding of the male bias in cancer diagnoses and severity.

## Methods

Filtering of cell lines: ChrYPos cells were filtered using a log2TPM filter of  $DDX3Y > 0.2$ ,  $RPS4Y1 > 0.2$ ,  $Xist < 2$ . ChrYNeg cells were filtered using a log2TPM filter of  $DDX3Y \leq 0$ ,  $RPS4Y1 \leq 0$ .

Filtering of gRNAs: Y chromosome gRNAs were processed using CRISPRoff (<https://rth.dk/resources/crispr/>) (Alkan et al., 2018). gRNAs that had favorable free energy binding to X-homologs within one mismatch of the seed sequence were excluded. Valid Y chromosome gRNAs were mapped to the AvanaRawReadcounts file and checked for quality in the pDNA batches. These guide RNAs were concatenated to AvanaGuideMap DataFrame. The sequence map was created by filtering for sequences from the Avana library that passed the Chronos quality control workflow. The sequence map was then subdivided into subsets, for ChrYPos cells and ChrYNeg cells.

Chronos: Chronos was run as specified in <https://github.com/broadinstitute/chronos>.

The chronos model was trained in a Conda environment containing the packages: 'crispr-chronos' (2.0.6), 'nvidia-cudnn-cu11' (8.5.0.163), and 'tensorflow-gpu' (2.12.1) along with other necessary dependencies. Clonal outgrowths were first NaN'd for each set of DataFrames and then quality control reports were generated for each cell line set. Positive and negative controls were added from 'AchillesCommonEssentialControls.csv' and 'AchillesNonessentialControls.csv' and then a Chronos model was trained for 501

epochs for each cell line set. A high-performance computer cluster with RTX-2080Ti GPUs and 64 GB of RAM was used for training the models.

**Copy Number Correction:** Gene Effects were scaled so the median score of all common essential genes = -1 and the median of all nonessential genes = 0. A custom copy number matrix was generated with estimates for genes in cells that were not subject to WGS. For ChrYPos cells, copy number was estimated using the following rules: Autosomal genes = 1.0, X or Y chromosomal genes = 0.5. For ChrYNeg cells, copy number was estimated using the following rules: Autosomal genes == 1.0, X chromosomal genes = 1.0. The copy number correction module in Chronos was run on each gene effect DataFrame to get the resultant scaled and copy-number corrected gene effect matrix that was used for downstream analysis.

**Availability of data:** All data is downloaded from the Depmap 23Q4 release at <https://depmap.org/portal/download/all/>. Original code is deposited at <https://github.com/shruthi3195/YDependencyMap>.

**Ethics Declaration:** The authors declare no conflicts of interest



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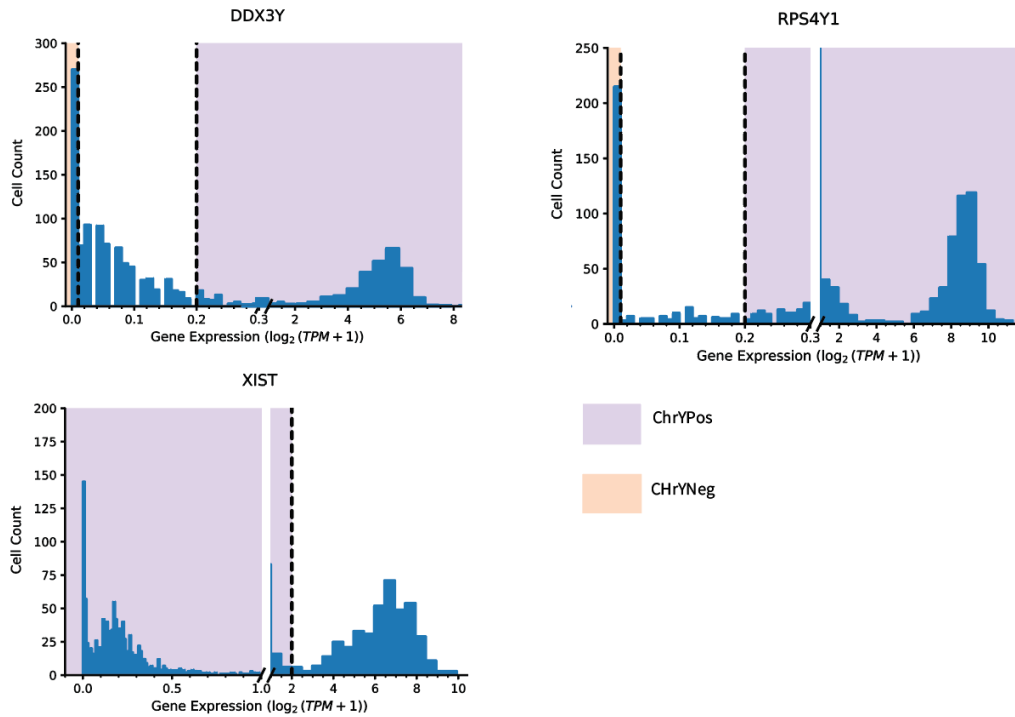
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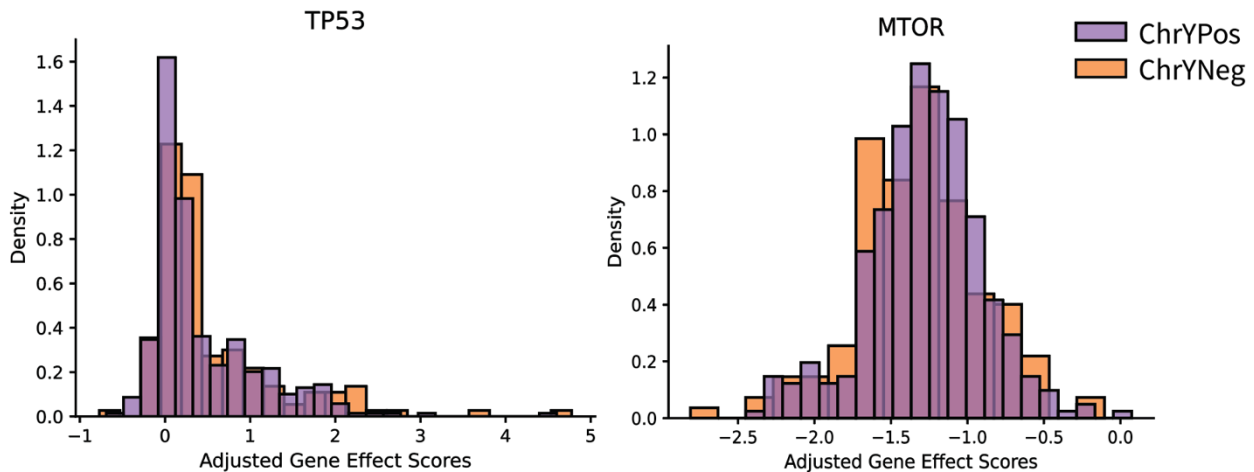
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## SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURES



**Fig S1.** Expression filters for selecting Y bearing (ChrYPos) cells and non-Y bearing cells (ChrYNeg). ChrYPos cells are selected for high *DDX3Y* and *RPS4Y1* expression as well as low *Xist* expression (purple). ChrYNeg cells have no expression of *DDX3Y* & *RPS4Y1* (orange).



**Fig S2:** Genetic dependencies of Depmap cell lines on autosomal regulators. Histograms show the distribution of gene effect scores for 2 known autosomal regulators in ChrYPos lines (purple) and ChrYNeg lines (orange). There is no difference in the distribution of dependencies between ChrYPos and ChrYNeg lines.

## SUPPLEMENTARY TABLES

**Table S1:** List of Y bearing (ChrYPos) cell lines

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ACH-001453	PT-plyNqk	BPH-1
ACH-001454	PT-LAy4cf	C10
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ACH-001530	PT-hB4ARO	JEG-3
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ACH-001624	PT-dDtvIC	Onda 9
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ACH-001977	PT-YF5RFe	NO36
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ACH-001990	PT-PCXcZ8	NZM7
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ACH-001997	PT-jmmNcQ	ECC2
ACH-001999	PT-pmGuZF	950-5-BIK
ACH-002014	PT-5vJu3k	Mel270
ACH-002018	PT-5vJu3k	Omm2.5
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**Table S2:** List of non-Y bearing (ChrYNeg) cell lines

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ACH-001029	PT-NX1XUV	CHLA-10
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ACH-001145	PT-3doOpy	OC 316
ACH-001151	PT-u4FBpq	OVCAR-5
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ACH-001172	PT-88IC1n	U-251 MG DM
ACH-001183	PT-ESM25t	RT112/84
ACH-001188	PT-ombRgU	SH-SY5Y
ACH-001301	PT-9ShVj5	COGN278
ACH-001334	PT-ERAmPK	C-4 I
ACH-001335	PT-ERAmPK	C-4 II
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ACH-001370	PT-rC8bwa	OCI-P5x
ACH-001388	PT-UklPiT	SUM-102PT
ACH-001389	PT-huyXeM	SUM-1315MO2
ACH-001392	PT-i9dYpA	SUM-185PE
ACH-001393	PT-Zd61pl	SUM-190PT
ACH-001396	PT-sYFvXw	SUM-52PE
ACH-001398	PT-Xr379n	SW 156
ACH-001400	PT-2KkY6l	SW 954
ACH-001403	PT-tuE0il	TO14
ACH-001418	PT-JGzDYG	UWB1.289
ACH-001419	PT-vA9Pcv	VP229
ACH-001421	PT-WBS2Hf	WERI-Rb-1
ACH-001422	PT-EhPRzn	WPE1-NA22

ACH-001442	PT-QwG6Ej	A388
ACH-001443	PT-xji0Xg	ASH-3
ACH-001451	PT-gPKmS2	BOKU
ACH-001481	PT-GWiky5	CHLA-90
ACH-001495	PT-bHINin	EMTOKA
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ACH-001510	PT-8wgZXD	H376
ACH-001511	PT-L1Objj	H413
ACH-001513	PT-KwMOW6	HCA-1
ACH-001515	PT-4kA9XI	HCS-2
ACH-001517	PT-YZF57N	HEC-1
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ACH-001538	PT-LDO CPR	KKU-213
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ACH-001548	PT-TA4RrC	LS
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ACH-001719	PT-l7kiMr	OCI-C4P

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ACH-002003	PT-3FxmOJ	A375 SKIN CJ3
ACH-002005	PT-4QtR2m	SK-MEL-19
ACH-002016	PT-MucJf6	Mel290
ACH-002019	PT-AOzYct	HOKUG
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ACH-002026	PT-cgXnS7	HHUA
ACH-002027	PT-vlwQtl	HOUA-I
ACH-002029	PT-rjXazG	SAS

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ACH-002040	PT-YbtIK5	HMV-II
ACH-002041	PT-PqWEZm	HOTHC
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ACH-002463	PT-ml8vcL	RPE1-ss77
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ACH-002465	PT-ml8vcL	RPE1-ss119
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ACH-002664	PT-FT4DA3	JVE-253
ACH-002669	PT-53ZOQS	KP-363T
ACH-002672	PT-yBID98	MAPAC-HS-77
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ACH-002687	PT-VBCF1O	WM3772F
ACH-002693	PT-DyxJsT	S462
ACH-002710	PT-nQk25T	MPNST-724
ACH-002785	PT-6sPicj	NCC-LMS1-C1
ACH-002799	PT-qqzgSc	NCC-MPNST1-C1
ACH-002834	PT-EcUHFc	OS384
ACH-002847	PT-AFnHpd	YUHOIN
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ACH-002926	PT-vu5jnE	UPMD1

**Table S3:** Valid Y chromosome gRNAs



guide	gene	geneid
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TGTTAGGTATAGAACTTGGG	USP9Y	8287
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ACTGGACCCAAGATCTCACT	NLGN4Y	22829

**Table S3:** Y-chromosome gene dependencies in ChrYPos cell lines

CCLE_Index	DDX3Y effect scores	ModelID	Cell Line	Lineage
	OncotreePrimaryDisease	OncotreeSubtype	Sex	
1316	-1.9245298	ACH-001563	MM127	Skin Melanoma Melanoma Male
762	-1.891060457	ACH-000766	NCIH1648	Lung Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer Lung Adenocarcinoma Male

869	-1.303644931	ACH-000873	KYSE270	Esophagus/Stomach	Esophageal Squamous Cell Carcinoma	Esophageal Squamous Cell Carcinoma	Male
650	-1.243418108	ACH-000654	RAJI	Lymphoid	Mature B-Cell Neoplasms	Burkitt Lymphoma	Male
363	-1.107296721	ACH-000365	SUDHL4	Lymphoid	Mature B-Cell Neoplasms	Diffuse Large B-Cell Lymphoma, NOS	Male
806	-0.995114143	ACH-000810	SKMEL30	Skin	Melanoma	Cutaneous Melanoma	Male
910	-0.993148677	ACH-000914	HT	Lymphoid	Mature B-Cell Neoplasms	Diffuse Large B-Cell Lymphoma, NOS	Male
400	-0.863814474	ACH-000402	BL70	Lymphoid	Mature B-Cell Neoplasms	Burkitt Lymphoma	Male
1140	-0.436559666	ACH-001270	127399	Soft Tissue	Synovial Sarcoma	Synovial Sarcoma	Male
4	-0.415852141	ACH-000005	HEL9217	Myeloid	Acute Myeloid Leukemia	Acute Myeloid Leukemia	Male
1319	-0.396168725	ACH-001568	MM386	Skin	Melanoma	Melanoma	Male
474	-0.287498603	ACH-000477	MALME3M	Skin	Melanoma	Melanoma	Male
691	-0.275762648	ACH-000695	CORL47	Lung	Lung Neuroendocrine Tumor	Small Cell Lung Cancer	Male
34	-0.225116768	ACH-000036	U343	CNS/Brain	Diffuse Glioma	Glioblastoma	Male
368	-0.223060067	ACH-000370	SNU626	CNS/Brain	Diffuse Glioma	Glioblastoma	Male
495	-0.215058828	ACH-000499	EW8	Bone	Ewing Sarcoma	Ewing Sarcoma	Male
1265	-0.207373514	ACH-001496	ESO26	Esophagus/Stomach	Esophagogastric Adenocarcinoma	Adenocarcinoma of the Gastroesophageal Junction	Male
1317	-0.206723306	ACH-001566	MM370	Skin	Melanoma	Melanoma	Male
512	-0.205608574	ACH-000516	CAL78	Bone	Chondrosarcoma	Dedifferentiated Chondrosarcoma	Male
1501	-0.197882837	ACH-002045	HO1U1	Head and Neck	Head and Neck Squamous Cell Carcinoma	Oral Cavity Squamous Cell Carcinoma	Male
339	-0.19580058	ACH-000341	SKNFI	Peripheral Nervous System	Neuroblastoma	Neuroblastoma	Male
72	-0.189346805	ACH-000074	KU812	Myeloid	Myeloproliferative Neoplasms	Chronic Myeloid Leukemia, BCR-ABL1+	Male
1289	-0.188660872	ACH-001530	JEG3	Uterus	Gestational Trophoblastic Disease	Choriocarcinoma	Male
844	-0.179531622	ACH-000848	JHH7	Liver	Hepatocellular Carcinoma	Hepatocellular Carcinoma	Male

835 -0.173052522 ACH-000839 SCABER Bladder/Urinary Tract Bladder Squamous Cell Carcinoma Bladder Squamous Cell Carcinoma Male

CCLE_Index	ZFY effect scores	ModelID	StrippedCellLineName			
	OncotreeLineage	OncotreePrimaryDisease	OncotreeSubtype	Sex		
1225	-0.295880723	ACH-001407	UMUC13	Bladder/Urinary Tract Bladder Urothelial Carcinoma	Bladder Urothelial Carcinoma	Male
360	-0.225082904	ACH-000362	MOLM13	Myeloid	Acute Myeloid Leukemia	
				Acute Myeloid Leukemia	Male	
1323	-0.207099594	ACH-001574	MOLM14	Myeloid	Acute Myeloid Leukemia	
				Acute Myeloid Leukemia	Male	
1394	-0.148030696	ACH-001707	WAOSEL	Lymphoid	Mature B-Cell Neoplasms	
				Chronic Lymphocytic Leukemia/Small Lymphocytic Lymphoma	Male	
752	-0.031223809	ACH-000756	GI1	CNS/Brain	Diffuse Glioma	Gliosarcoma
					Male	
973	-0.020130962	ACH-000977	LNCAPCLONEFGC	Prostate	Prostate	
				Adenocarcinoma	Prostate Adenocarcinoma	Male
357	-0.012260616	ACH-000359	MG63	Bone	Osteosarcoma	Osteosarcoma
					Male	
1408	0.000164366	ACH-001750	TTC442	Soft Tissue	Rhabdomyosarcoma	
				Embryonal Rhabdomyosarcoma	Male	
1280	0.00494738	ACH-001520	HG3	Lymphoid	B-Lymphoblastic	
				Leukemia/Lymphoma	B-Lymphoblastic Leukemia/Lymphoma	Male
385	0.017721334	ACH-000387	TF1	Myeloid	Acute Myeloid Leukemia	Acute
				Myeloid Leukemia	Male	
934	0.020121109	ACH-000938	NALM6	Lymphoid	B-Lymphoblastic	
				Leukemia/Lymphoma	B-Lymphoblastic Leukemia/Lymphoma	Male
90	0.022542487	ACH-000092	NCIH2452	Pleura	Pleural Mesothelioma	Pleural
				Mesothelioma, Biphasic Type	Male	
434	0.023552218	ACH-000436	OCIMY7	Lymphoid	Mature B-Cell Neoplasms	
				Plasma Cell Myeloma	Male	
863	0.030127469	ACH-000867	CHAGOK1	Lung	Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer	Non-Small Cell Lung Cancer
					Male	
399	0.036281167	ACH-000401	COLO800	Skin	Melanoma	Cutaneous Melanoma
					Male	
1318	0.038829275	ACH-001567	MM383	Skin	Melanoma	Melanoma
					Male	
1501	0.043414018	ACH-002045	HO1U1	Head and Neck	Head and Neck	
				Squamous Cell Carcinoma	Oral Cavity Squamous Cell Carcinoma	Male

CCLE_Index	EIF1AY effect scores	ModelID	StrippedCellLineName			
	OncotreeLineage	OncotreePrimaryDisease	OncotreeSubtype	Sex		
1316	-0.63632344	ACH-001563	MM127	Skin	Melanoma	Melanoma
					Male	

615	-0.533739363	ACH-000619	PECAPJ15	Head and Neck	Head and Neck	
				Squamous Cell Carcinoma	Oral Cavity Squamous Cell Carcinoma	Male
1318	-0.521818087	ACH-001567	MM383	Skin	Melanoma	Melanoma Male
1422	-0.349662329	ACH-001814	OS252	Bone	Osteosarcoma	Osteosarcoma Male
1478	-0.349542362	ACH-002014	MEL270	Eye	Ocular Melanoma	Uveal Melanoma Male
573	-0.286761298	ACH-000577	JHH2	Liver	Hepatocellular Carcinoma	Hepatocellular Carcinoma Male
204	-0.228850413	ACH-000206	C8166	Lymphoid	T-Lymphoblastic	
				Leukemia/Lymphoma	T-Lymphoblastic Leukemia/Lymphoma	Male
425	-0.211269003	ACH-000427	NCIN87		Esophagus/Stomach	Esophagogastric Adenocarcinoma
				Tubular Stomach	Adenocarcinoma	Male
1144	-0.182266099	ACH-001277	YAMATO	Soft Tissue	Synovial Sarcoma	
				Synovial Sarcoma		Male
630	-0.175800096	ACH-000634	LN340	CNS/Brain	Diffuse Glioma	Glioblastoma Male
250	-0.173188138	ACH-000252	LS1034	Bowel	Colorectal Adenocarcinoma	Colon Adenocarcinoma Male
512	-0.099305429	ACH-000516	CAL78	Bone	Chondrosarcoma	Dedifferentiated Chondrosarcoma Male
1405	-0.094947218	ACH-001740	RH28	Soft Tissue	Rhabdomyosarcoma	Alveolar Rhabdomyosarcoma Male
514	-0.087108951	ACH-000518	CAL33	Head and Neck	Head and Neck Squamous Cell Carcinoma	Oral Cavity Squamous Cell Carcinoma Male
495	-0.080492495	ACH-000499	EW8	Bone	Ewing Sarcoma	Ewing Sarcoma Male

CCLE_Index	RPS4Y1 effect scores	ModelID	StrippedCellLineName	OncotreeLineage	OncotreePrimaryDisease	OncotreeSubtype	Sex
1315	-1.330419862	ACH-001562	MERO95	Pleura	Pleural Mesothelioma	Pleural Mesothelioma, Epithelioid Type	Male
1323	-0.842652147	ACH-001574	MOLM14	Myeloid	Acute Myeloid Leukemia	Acute Myeloid Leukemia	Male
1240	-0.429620048	ACH-001430	TC138	Bone	Ewing Sarcoma	Ewing Sarcoma	Male
434	-0.294429767	ACH-000436	OCIMY7	Lymphoid	Mature B-Cell Neoplasms	Plasma Cell Myeloma	Male
1100	-0.289810405	ACH-001164	CCLFPEDS0003T	Soft Tissue	Undifferentiated Pleomorphic Sarcoma/Malignant Fibrous Histiocytoma/High-Grade Spindle Cell Sarcoma	Undifferentiated Pleomorphic Sarcoma/Malignant Fibrous Histiocytoma/High-Grade Spindle Cell Sarcoma	Male

CCLE_Index	NLGN4Y effect scores	ModelID	StrippedCellLineName
	OncotreeLineage	OncotreePrimaryDisease	OncotreeSubtype Sex
4	-0.251767436	ACH-000005 HEL9217	Myeloid Acute Myeloid Leukemia Male
630	-0.128681864	ACH-000634 LN340 CNS/Brain	Diffuse Glioma Glioblastoma Male
425	-0.107961732	ACH-000427 NCIN87	Esophagus/Stomach Esophagogastric Adenocarcinoma Tubular Stomach Adenocarcinoma Male
514	-0.101342933	ACH-000518 CAL33 Head and Neck	Head and Neck Squamous Cell Carcinoma Oral Cavity Squamous Cell Carcinoma Male
400	-0.081574621	ACH-000402 BL70 Lymphoid	Mature B-Cell Neoplasms Burkitt Lymphoma Male
144	-0.063746023	ACH-000146 THP1 Myeloid	Acute Myeloid Leukemia Acute Myeloid Leukemia Male
75	-0.056642534	ACH-000077 MJ Lymphoid	Non-Hodgkin Lymphoma Mature T and NK Neoplasms Male

CCLE_Index	KDM5D effect scores	ModelID	StrippedCellLineName
	OncotreeLineage	OncotreePrimaryDisease	OncotreeSubtype Sex
1396	-0.192954025	ACH-001711 PFSK1 CNS/Brain	Embryonal Tumor Primitive Neuroectodermal Tumor Male
1417	-0.102291418	ACH-001796 95T1000	Soft Tissue Liposarcoma Well-Differentiated Liposarcoma Male
1817	-0.08593682	ACH-002461 RVH421SKINFV1	Skin Melanoma Melanoma Male
1232	-0.030813076	ACH-001414 UMUC6	Bladder/Urinary Tract Bladder Urothelial Carcinoma Bladder Urothelial Carcinoma Male
1311	0.011298005	ACH-001558 MERO48A	Pleura Pleural Mesothelioma Pleural Mesothelioma, Biphasic Type Male

CCLE_Index	UTY effect scores	ModelID	StrippedCellLineName
	OncotreeLineage	OncotreePrimaryDisease	OncotreeSubtype Sex
593	-0.59484115	ACH-000597 TTC709	Kidney Rhabdoid Cancer Rhabdoid Cancer Male
1170	-0.559197644	ACH-001338 CHP134	Peripheral Nervous System Neuroblastoma Neuroblastoma Male
457	-0.496499104	ACH-000459 TUHR10TKB	Kidney Renal Cell Carcinoma Renal Clear Cell Carcinoma Male
1478	-0.489816116	ACH-002014 MEL270	Eye Ocular Melanoma Uveal Melanoma Male
1144	-0.464449045	ACH-001277 YAMATO	Soft Tissue Synovial Sarcoma Synovial Sarcoma Male

CCLE_Index	USP9Y effect scores	ModelID	StrippedCellLineName
OncotreeLineage	OncotreePrimaryDisease	OncotreeSubtype	Sex
955	-0.338855911	ACH-000959	SNUC4
		Bowel	Colorectal Adenocarcinoma
		Colon	Adenocarcinoma
		Male	
394	-0.234101926	ACH-000396	J82
		Bladder/Urinary Tract	Bladder Urothelial Carcinoma
			Bladder Urothelial CarcinomaMale

## **Chapter 4: Conclusions**

Prior to this work, much of the scholarship about *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* have focused on *DDX3X* function and its many roles in cellular processes. Despite its equally widespread expression and functional interchangeability in cells (Sekiguchi et al., 2004; Venkataramanan et al., 2021), there are no studies of *DDX3Y* function or of *DDX3X/DDX3Y* regulation. Using perturbations of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* in human cells, we have found a conserved auto- and cross-regulatory program that buffers the expression of these genes. This work represents the first study of human *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* regulation. In this chapter I will briefly summarize the findings from Chapter 2 and Chapter 3 and their implications for human phenotypes caused by mutations of both homologs. I will conclude by describing several avenues for future work.

## **Conclusions:**

In Chapter 2, we first establish *DDX3X* as a highly dosage-sensitive gene among the X-Y pair genes. Firstly, it is expressed from Xi in human females and has a protein-coding Y homolog in every therian species sequenced, demonstrating its haploinsufficiency. Human *DDX3X* also ranks highly in population metrics; it has highly conserved miRNA targeting sites and is depleted for loss-of-function variants. *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* retain broad expression from their ancestral autosomal progenitors, as inferred by the expression breadth of chicken *DDX3X*. These findings imply that mechanisms must exist to tightly control *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* dosage.



We show that human *DDX3X* or *DDX3Y* transcripts decrease linearly in cells with increasing Y and X chromosome copy number. We directly link this response to *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* using natural deletions of the Y chromosome and CRISPRi knockdowns. *DDX3X* levels are elevated in cells with *DDX3Y* deletions, and both homologs increase following CRISPRi repression of their partner. Furthermore, this result holds in an independent dataset of cancer cell lines; *DDX3Y* transcripts are elevated in cells with *DDX3X* LOF mutations. In XY cells, *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* cross-regulation buffers changes to total expression levels; upon *DDX3Y* knockdown, the upregulation of *DDX3X* fully maintains the summed expression of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* at control levels. However, the upregulation of *DDX3Y* is not sufficient to fully compensate for the larger impact of *DDX3X* knockdown. In XX cells, *DDX3X* transcripts are elevated in response to the inhibition of protein function, demonstrating that *DDX3X* can auto-regulate. Finally, we establish mRNA destabilization as the mechanism of the cross-regulation; *DDX3X* transcripts are destabilized in cells with many copies of *DDX3Y*.

In Chapter 3, we re-analyze functional genomics screens from the Cancer Dependency Map, incorporating Y-chromosome genes. We show that many Y-chromosome regulators are essential in Y-bearing (ChrYPos) cell lines, identifying 81 novel genetic dependencies across a wide range of cancer cell types. We do not identify these dependencies in cells without Y chromosomes (ChrYNeg), and do not see differences in the essentiality of autosomal genes between the ChrYPos and ChrYNeg subsets. *DDX3Y* emerges as a key regulator, with 25 ChrYPos lines showing a strong

dependency on *DDX3Y* expression. We find that cell lines with *DDX3Y* dependencies are enriched for *DDX3X* mutant cancers, implicating the negative cross-regulation we discovered in Chapter 2. As only cells with *DDX3X* mutations are vulnerable to *DDX3Y* loss, this finding highlights *DDX3Y* as a candidate drug target in male lymphomas, leukemias, melanomas and medulloblastomas.

### **Future Directions:**

The work described in Chapters 2 and 3 give rise to many questions that can be addressed by future studies. There are two broad directions: 1. Characterizing the mechanism of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* regulation and 2. Characterizing the phenotypic consequences of this regulation in health and disease, particularly in relation to biological sex. I will address these directions and speculate more broadly about the evolution of the sex chromosomes and the future of X-and Y-genes in biomedical research.

### **Biochemical mechanisms of *DDX3X/DDX3Y* auto- and cross-regulation**

We establish that *DDX3X* mRNA is destabilized to achieve *DDX3X-DDX3Y* cross regulation. But what is the mechanism of this regulation? Does it involve direct binding and helicase activity of *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* on their own transcripts, or are there intermediate genes that are necessary for this regulation? In this thesis, we

demonstrate cross-regulation in LCLs, fibroblasts and several cancer cell lines. *DDX3X*-*DDX3Y* cross regulation is also seen in published data from mouse brains and macrophages (Patmore et al., 2020; Szappanos et al., 2018). While it is possible that a secondary regulator is expressed alongside *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* in many species and tissue types, the universality of this regulation and its deep conservation argues for direct regulation. Furthermore, this response is induced within two hours of perturbation (Chapter 2 Supplementary Information), lending further credence to a direct effect. CLIP experiments could be performed to determine if *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* bind their own mRNAs. Current studies of *DDX3X* binding have only been performed in XX cells. Further disruption of putative *DDX3X/DDX3Y* binding sites can reveal if binding is necessary for regulation.

### **Sex differences in human phenotypes**

While Chapter 2 offers an explanation for the different consequences of *DDX3X* vs *DDX3Y* mutations in males, it does not explain why females and males with *DDX3X* mutations are different phenotypically. Females with *DDX3X* mutations have *de novo* mutations on one allele that completely ablate *DDX3X* helicase function and this causes a severe intellectual disability in these individuals (*DDX3X* syndrome) (Snijders Blok et al., 2015). No males with these mutations have been reported, suggesting embryonic lethality in 46,XY individuals. Most males with *DDX3X* syndrome inherit a hypomorphic *DDX3X* allele from an unaffected mother (Kellaris et al., 2018). This

suggests that both types of mutations are better compensated for by *DDX3X* auto-regulation in females than *DDX3Y* cross-regulation in males. One hypothesis to explain this observation comes from the cell-autonomous nature of X inactivation. As *Xa* expresses more *DDX3X* than *Xi*, the consequences of a deleterious *DDX3X* mutation can be offset if the X chromosome containing the mutant allele is preferentially inactivated in every cell, i.e. 'skewed' (Cotton et al., 2013). However, there is no skewing of X inactivation observed in girls with *DDX3X* syndrome (Snijders Blok et al., 2015) suggesting that the increase in *DDX3X* expression from *Xa* or *Xi* provides more robust compensation for *DDX3X* loss than an increase in *DDX3Y* expression. There is preliminary evidence from studies of allelic expression in other cell types; In XX LCLs, *DDX3X* is expressed from *Xi* at 55% of *Xa* levels, while in XY LCLs, *DDX3Y* is expressed at 30% of *DDX3X* levels (Godfrey et al., 2020; San Roman et al., 2023). Any extracellular functions of *DDX3X* in a heterozygous female brain could also potentially be rescued by upregulating *DDX3X* expression in cells with an intact copy on *Xa*. Studies of the developing brain will be needed to confirm this hypothesis.

*DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* regulation also has important implications for the phenotypes of sex chromosome aneuploidy. The summed levels of this pair increase less steeply with increasing sex chromosome copy number than that of similar gene pairs such as *ZFX-ZFY* and *KDM6A-UTY*. Additionally, the genes that change significantly upon *DDX3X* knockdown do not overlap with genes that respond to sex chromosome aneuploidy (Chapter 2 Supplementary Information). This is in contrast with

*ZFX* and *ZFY*, whose targets significantly overlap with sex chromosome responsive genes (Roman et al., 2024), implying that *DDX3X* and *DDX3Y* are not major contributors to gene expression changes in individuals with sex chromosome aneuploidies. This has important consequences for the study and treatment of individuals with Turner's syndrome and Klinefelter's syndrome, among others.

### **Inferring ancestral gene-regulatory mechanisms on the sex chromosomes**

The presence of both *DDX3X* auto-regulation in *XX* cells and *DDX3X-DDX3Y* cross-regulation in *XY* cells suggests that this regulation predates the divergence of the sex chromosomes. Indeed, the yeast ortholog of *DDX3X*, *Ded1* is auto-regulated, suggesting that *DDX3X* regulation may be conserved over 1.3 billion years since the common ancestor of yeast and humans (Kumar et al., 2022; Ottoz, 2015). Studies of X-Y pair regulation may allow us to infer the ancestral state of gene regulatory mechanisms. The fossils of ancestral gene regulatory mechanisms on the sex chromosomes are seen in other studies of X-Y gene pairs. *ZFX* and *ZFY* dosage have similar genome-wide effects in LCLs and fibroblasts, suggesting that their transcriptional networks have been preserved during sex chromosome evolution (Roman et al., 2024). Similarly, miRNA sites on avian Z-W chromosomes have been preserved on human sex chromosomes (Naqvi et al., 2018). *EIF1AX*, a key component of translation initiation, has retained a miR-1 site that is disrupted in *EIF1AY*, leading to 2-fold up-regulation of the Y-homolog in heart tissues (Godfrey et al., 2020).

## The role of X-Y pair genes in disease

The high dosage-sensitivity and conservation of X-Y gene pairs imply that they might play key roles in human diseases. However, sex chromosome genes, especially Y-chromosome genes, are frequently excluded from genomic studies, including genome-wide association studies, whole-exome sequencing and functional genomics screens. The study of these genes is crucial to identify sex differences in diseases, and their dosage-sensitivity and cellular functions merit their inclusion in future studies. As described in Chapter 3, inclusive studies can uncover new targets like *DDX3Y* in *DDX3X* mutant male cancers. Further study is also needed to investigate the structural differences between X- and Y-homologs so that protein-specific therapies can be developed, increasing our capacity for precision medicine.

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