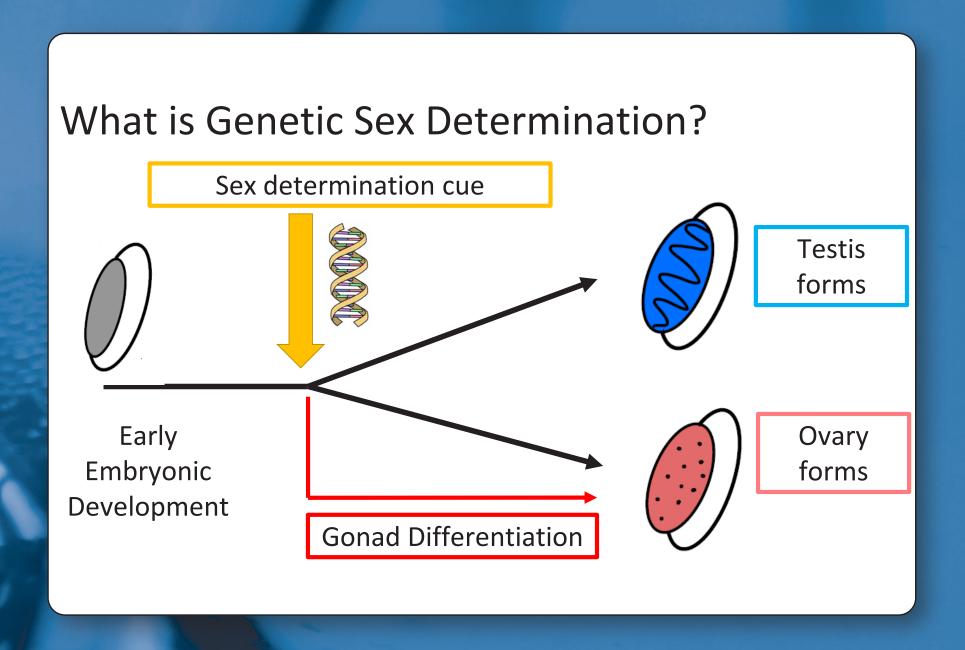




Sex determination and gonad differentiation in *Anolis sagrei*



Sex determination in reptiles

- •>10,000 reptile species
- No primary SD genes identified

A. Sagrei as a model for SD

- Good reference genome
- Gene editing

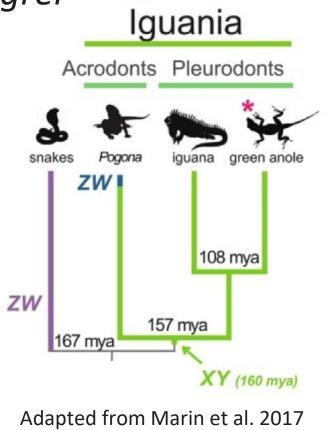


Sex Chromosomes of *Anolis sagrei*

- Ancient conserved XY system
- Hypothesize primary SD gene present on Y

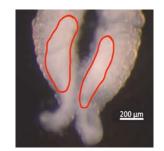


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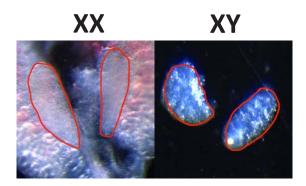


Uncovering candidate Y genes using bulk RNA sequencing

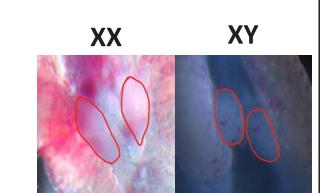
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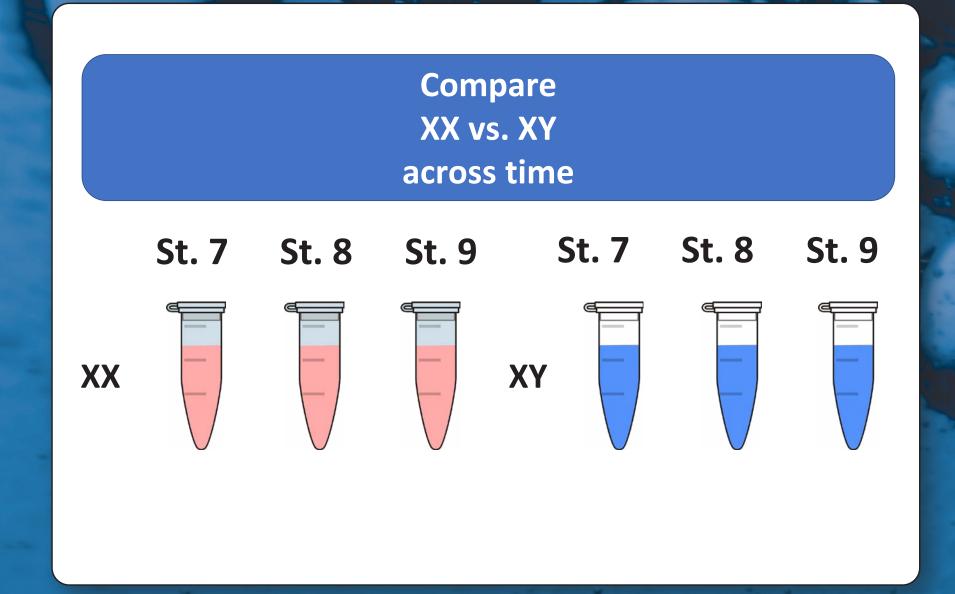
Stage 7: fully undifferentiated



Stage 8: testicular chords begin to form

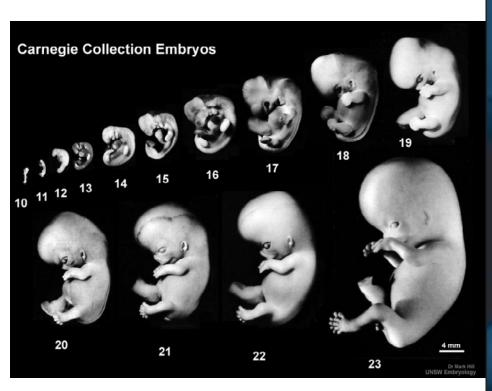


Stage 9: fully differentiated, testicular vasculature formed





Lizard Embryo Development



Human Embryo Development