

## Sister chromatid differentiation/selective segregation mechanism supported for vertebrate body laterality development

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**B** ased on sister chromatid differentiation first discovered in two yeasts, we proposed the Somatic Strand-specific Imprinting and selective sister chromatid Segregation (SSIS) model, to handle one or multiple chromosomes, as a mechanism for asymmetric cell division and that may be required for the vertebrates' visceral organs and human brain hemispheric laterality development. Essentially the same model was subsequently proposed in two other studies. Based strictly on genetic results, we suggested that selective chromatid segregation does occur in mouse cells. From a Drosophila study, a result of autosomal chromatids segregating only by the specific W, W :: C, C pattern was note. Curiously, by expressing fluorescent red- or green-colored transgene reporters from one or the other X chromosome, the entire brain hemisphere primarily developed one or the other color in mice. This result evidences that the left or the right mouse brain hemisphere develops from the progeny of a single cell, as first postulated in the SSIS model.

## Biography

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