

## Title: The 3-Dimensional Genome Drives the Evolution of Asymmetric Gene Duplicates via Enhancer Capture-Divergence

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1 **Abstract:** Previous evolutionary models of duplicate gene evolution have overlooked the pivotal  
2 role of genome architecture. Here, we show that proximity-based regulatory recruitment of distally  
3 duplicated genes (enhancer capture) is an efficient mechanism for modulating tissue-specific  
4 production of pre-existing proteins. By leveraging genomic asymmetries in synteny and function  
5 that distinguish new genes evolving under enhancer capture-divergence (ECD) from those  
6 evolving under previous models, we performed a co-expression analysis on *Drosophila*  
7 *melanogaster* tissue data to show the generality of ECD as a significant evolutionary driver of  
8 asymmetric, distally duplicated genes. We use the recently evolved gene *HP6/Umbrea*, which  
9 duplicated <15 million years ago (mya), as an example of the ECD process. By assaying genome-  
10 wide chromosomal conformations in multiple *Drosophila* species, we show that *HP6/Umbrea* was  
11 inserted into a pre-existing, evolutionarily stable 3D genomic structure spanning over 125kb. We  
12 then utilize this data to identify a newly discovered enhancer (FLEE1), buried within the coding  
13 region of the highly conserved, essential gene *MFS18*, that likely neo-functionalized *HP6/Umbrea*,  
14 thereby driving the new duplicate gene copy to fixation. Finally, we demonstrate ancestral  
15 transcriptional co-regulation of *HP6/Umbrea*'s future insertion site using single-cell  
16 transcriptomics, illustrating how enhancer capture provides a highly evolvable, one-step solution  
17 to Ohno's Dilemma. The intuitive molecular mechanism underpinning the ECD model unveils a  
18 novel and robust framework to understand the fixation and neofunctionalization of distally  
19 duplicated genes.

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## 22 **Main Text:**

23 Newly duplicated genes are at risk of loss in a population through genetic drift or negative  
24 selection (1) before rare, advantageous neo-functionalizing mutations may occur. The probability  
25 of fixation for a slightly deleterious duplicate is more than one to two orders of magnitude lower  
26 than a neutral mutant ( $P_{fix} = 0.085 \sim 0.003 \times 1/(2N_e)$ ,  $N_e \approx 10^6$  as the effective population) for  
27 complete and exon duplicates in *Drosophila melanogaster* (1, 2). Consequently, the vast majority  
28 of non-fixed duplicate gene copies are likely to be lost in approximately just 2.32 generations or  
29 less (**METHODS AND MATERIALS**). Given the low mutation rates in this species (2, 3), it is  
30 hardly impossible for a newly fixed duplicate gene to fix or even acquire new mutations, let alone  
31 an advantageous one, in such a short time. This problem has also been previously referred to as  
32 "Ohno's dilemma" (4). Various models have been proposed to resolve this problem including: the  
33 duplication, divergence, complementation (DDC)/sub-functionalization model (5), the escape  
34 from adaptive conflict (EAC) model (6), the innovation, amplification, and divergence (IAD)  
35 model (4, 7).

36 The DDC model, also known as subfunctionalization, represents a neutral evolutionary process  
37 where symmetric (identical) gene duplicates lose different aspects of their original function due to  
38 genetic drift. This random divergence results in the preservation of the duplicated genes, each  
39 retaining distinct, yet complementary, functions (Figure 1). Conversely, genes evolving under the  
40 EAC model, are under selection for enhanced optimization of specific functions originally held by  
41 the parental gene that are partitioned to paralogous copies. The EAC model posits that a single  
42 parental gene has intrinsic genetic conflict due to its inability to optimize multiple functions  
43 simultaneously, and gene duplication can resolve this evolutionary constraint. While the DDC and  
44 EAC models explain how ancestral functions are partitioned among gene duplicates, they fall short  
45 in explaining the immediate development of novel expression patterns following gene duplication.  
46 These novel expression profiles, often resulting from the gene's new genomic context, can be

47 instrumental in driving the evolution of new functions—processes not fully captured by the DDC  
48 and EAC models. In contrast, the IAD model describes how shifts in selection pressures can  
49 promote the expression of genes with auxiliary functions by increasing gene copy number (Figure  
50 1). Following the initial increase of auxiliary function through gene amplification, subsequent  
51 relaxation of selection pressure will allow for changes to accumulate on the various copies,  
52 allowing the new copies to diverge and potentially gain a new function (4).

53 While the IAD model provides a reasonable explanation for gene family expansions in  
54 microbial organisms while encountering environmental changes (7), the model faces serious  
55 problems when applied to metazoans, as a general and broad increase in gene dosage may be  
56 advantageous in some cell or tissue types but potentially deleterious in others. Similar to the EAC  
57 and DDC models, the IAD model does not directly explain how novel expression patterns arise  
58 immediately following gene duplication, leaving a gap in our understanding of duplicate gene  
59 evolution.

60 We propose the enhancer capture-divergence (ECD) model, which is an evolutionary model  
61 produced by asymmetric RNA or DNA-based gene duplication processes that allow for distinct  
62 parental and new gene identities and functions (Figure 1). The ECD model first proposes that  
63 selective pressures change for the increased expression of a pre-existing (parental) gene within a  
64 specific tissue or set of tissues. While the evolution of a new enhancer in the parental gene's locus  
65 is plausible, it would require multiple neutral *de novo* substitutions or insertions to generate one  
66 or more necessary transcription factor binding sites that fix within a population and modulates the  
67 expression of the new gene duplicate without disrupting parent gene's expression pattern. Under  
68 the ECD model, duplication of the parental gene into another regulatory environment under the  
69 control of a pre-existing, tissue-specific enhancer is a solution that requires far fewer genomic  
70 changes and can occur in a single step. As the new selection pressures recur, the duplicate copy  
71 that is under new regulatory control will increase in frequency in the population, allowing it to fix.  
72 If the selection pressures change such that the increased tissue-specific expression of the new gene  
73 is no longer advantageous or compensatory mutations appear in the original parent locus, selective  
74 pressures will relax on the new gene copy allowing for divergence. While loss of the new gene  
75 copy by drift or negative selection is one possible fate, if the duplicate gene copy is at high enough  
76 frequency within a population, substitutions may accumulate and result in the gain of new, tissue-  
77 specific protein function.

78 The previous models addressing Ohno's Dilemma (DDC, EAC, IAD) are symmetric models of  
79 duplication-based evolution which assume that the original parental gene function is randomly  
80 partitioned or entirely retained between identical duplicate copies, making parent and new gene  
81 copies indistinguishable from one another. They offer plausible mechanisms for the retention of  
82 certain types of gene duplicates in various processes of subfunctionalization, conflict resolution  
83 and amplification of ancestral gene functions. The ECD offers a 3D-facilitated efficient route of  
84 neofunctionalization than the development of new enhancers from scratch. It also provides a  
85 coherent and testable framework that describes the evolution of asymmetric or distal gene  
86 duplicates that is currently unexplained by previous models. The asymmetry is a key feature of the  
87 ECD model that distinguishes it from the DDC, EAC and IAC models in different consequences  
88 of functional evolution, and allows for clear identification of genes that evolved under enhancer  
89 capture. (An extended discussion of prior models and genomic symmetry is available in  
90 **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**).

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93 **RESULTS**

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95 ***Analysis of Tissue Co-Expression Reveals New Genes Evolve by Enhancer Capture***

96 Central to the IAD model is the observation that gene duplication via unequal crossing over is  
97 more likely to occur than a point mutation (4, 7). As previously described, one issue with this  
98 model is that there is an implicit assumption that during the environmental shift, the increase in  
99 fitness gained by over-activity of the auxiliary function must be greater than the decrease in fitness  
100 imparted by over-activity of the original gene's function(s). In the case of the enzymatic activity  
101 of single-celled organisms where environments are encountered sequentially, it is reasonable to  
102 assume that selection might tolerate over-activity of the gene's original function during the  
103 transient environment in which the auxiliary function is favored. However, the decrease in fitness  
104 for improper expression or activity is larger in multicellular organisms than in single-celled  
105 organisms, where a multi-cellular organism's overall phenotype is the cumulative (development)  
106 and simultaneous (organ systems) product of many different gene functions.

107 In the case of multicellular organisms, selection may increase the expression of a gene within  
108 a single tissue type (Figure 1). Under the IAD model, a full duplication of the parent gene function  
109 and expression pattern drives the duplicate copies to fixation as it provides the most evolvable  
110 solution to new conditions. In contrast, under the enhancer capture-divergence model, a copy of  
111 the parent gene duplicates into a region of the genome containing an active enhancer(s) that  
112 modulates the new gene copy's expression in a tissue-specific manner. Alternatively, the new gene  
113 may duplicate into an inactive region of the genome containing unbound transcription factor  
114 binding sites, thus activating a previously inert non-coding sequence into a *de novo* enhancer.

115 Compared to the tissue-specific nature of genes evolving under the ECD model, genes evolving  
116 under the IAD model are over-expressed in all tissues, as they are assumed to take on the parent  
117 gene expression pattern. We therefore predict that enhancer capture will be more dominant than  
118 the IAD model for asymmetrically duplicated genes within multicellular organisms, as it avoids  
119 the potentially deleterious effects of increased dosage in multiple tissues resulting from full  
120 duplication. However, we stress that the IAD model is likely to drive the evolution of a large  
121 number of tandem duplicates as well as a subset of asymmetrically duplicates where the  
122 recruitment of pre-existing regulatory elements is unlikely. This increase in fitness caused by the  
123 combined output of the new and parental genes thus drives the new gene copy to fixation,  
124 providing an alternate resolution to Ohno's Dilemma than the IAD model. Once the tissue-specific  
125 selection for the new gene is relaxed, the new gene may then begin to diverge, accumulating  
126 substitutions.

127 Some classes of new genes will continue to evolve under the IAD, DDC, and EAC models.  
128 However, the relationships of new genes with their parent genes and neighboring genes differ in  
129 expression between those evolving under those previous models and our ECD model, allowing for  
130 direct testing of the ECD mechanism as a driver of newly evolved genes. Under the DDC or EAC  
131 models, the tissue expression patterns of parental and new genes are complementary, resulting in  
132 low co-expression between parental and new gene copies ("parental co-expression"). Since new  
133 gene evolution under the DDC and EAC models is assumed to occur in a regulatory-independent  
134 context, the tissue expression patterns of the new gene and its neighboring genes should have no  
135 relationship, resulting in random co-expression between the new gene and its neighboring gene  
136 ("neighboring co-expression"). Under the IAD model, genes and their upstream regulatory  
137 sequences are fully duplicated, which predicts a high co-expression between the parent and new  
138 gene copies, while the new gene copy and its neighboring genes should have low co-expression.

139 In the enhancer capture-divergence model, the parent gene is predicted to be more broadly  
140 expressed, while the new gene which resides in a distant region of the genome is under the control  
141 of one or more tissue-specific enhancers. Here, parental genes are expected to have broad tissue  
142 expression patterns, while new genes have expression patterns with high tissue specificity,  
143 resulting in low parental co-expression. On the other hand, since the new gene becomes regulated  
144 by a locally captured enhancer that is already influencing other genes, neighboring co-expression  
145 is high, particularly in gene-dense genomes.

146 To determine whether the enhancer capture-divergence process is a significant driver of new  
147 gene evolution in *D. melanogaster*, we obtained tissue expression data from FlyBase (8, 9)(c.f.  
148 Methods and Materials) and calculated co-expression between new/parental and new/neighbor  
149 gene pairs (Spearman correlation coefficient) for a random subset of newly evolved genes that 1)  
150 underwent a duplication into a different topologically associating domain (TAD) than its parental  
151 gene (as defined in (10)) and 2) whose essentiality has been validated experimentally (N=87,  
152 Supp. Table S1, Methods and Materials). We focused on experimentally validated genes that were  
153 in a different TAD, using distal duplications as a proxy, as their asymmetry allowed us to  
154 definitively identify the parent and new gene copies via synteny. To calculate co-expression, we  
155 used expression data that contained tissue types extracted from both L3 larvae, pre-pupae, and  
156 adult flies, including gut, salivary glands, and imaginal discs from wandering L3 larvae, as well  
157 as the head, ovaries, gut, and reproductive organs from adults (c.f. Methods and Materials). For  
158 tissues that were represented with multiple experimental runs, data from those tissue types were  
159 averaged prior to further analyses to avoid representation bias.

160 To determine whether a significant number of distally duplicated (non-tandem) genes evolved  
161 by enhancer capture, we used two concurrent features of the new genes in our dataset  
162 (parent/neighbor tissue co-expression (“PNC”) and essentiality) that together determine whether  
163 the ECD process is a significant driver of new gene evolution alongside other established models:  
164 (Figure 2b). We define “low” and “high” co-expression as being below or above the median co-  
165 expression value across new genes in our data set. Under the symmetrical DDC, EAC, and IAD  
166 models, the parent and new gene copies are indistinguishable in that all segregable and essential  
167 functions of the original gene partition randomly between both parent and duplicate gene copies.  
168 In contrast, the ECD model predicts that all original functions, including essential function, are  
169 expected to remain with the parental gene while the new copy retains an auxiliary non-essential  
170 function. Thus, genes which evolved under enhancer capture are expected to be disproportionately  
171 enriched for non-essential functions. Furthermore, as genes under ECD are duplicated into a  
172 different regulatory environment from that of their parents, they are expected to appear in the  
173 lower right quadrant (quadrant IV) in the PNC plots, with high neighboring co-expression and low  
174 parental co-expression (Figure 2b, 2c). In contrast, genes with that have evolved symmetrically  
175 via the DDC or EAC models are expected to have a random partitioning of all functions (including  
176 essential functions) and should appear in the bottom half of the PNC plots (quadrants III and IV).  
177 Specifically, genes evolving under these processes are expected to have low parental co-  
178 expression resulting from divergent and complementary expression patterns, while the absence of  
179 regulatory context in the DDC and EAC models result in a prediction of random neighboring co-  
180 expression, as there is no expected relationship between the new gene and its neighboring genes  
181 (Figure 2b, 2c). Similarly, genes that have evolved via the IAD model should also have a random  
182 partitioning of essential functions while also appearing in the upper half of the PNC plots  
183 (quadrants I and II), with high parental co-expression resulting from full duplication (Figure 2b,  
184 2c).

185 Alternatively, the enhancer capture-divergence model predicts that most function, including  
186 essential gene function, will remain with the parental gene copy, while the tissue-specific  
187 expression pattern of the duplicate gene copy serves only to augment the function of the parental  
188 gene – a pattern frequently seen in new genes evolving via distal duplication (Figure 2a).  
189 Specifically, selection for increased tissue-specific expression of the parental gene predicts the  
190 appearance of a distal duplicate of the parental gene copy both with non-essential function and  
191 high neighboring co-expression. Meanwhile, the expression pattern and gene function – including  
192 all essential function – of the parental copy remains unaltered and is retained. Together, the  
193 enhancer capture-divergence model predicts a combination of high neighboring co-expression,  
194 low parental co-expression, and non-essentiality. This prediction may be tested by looking for a  
195 statistical enrichment of non-essential genes in the lower right quadrant of the PNC plot relative  
196 to background (Figure 2b, Supp. Table S1). A distortion in the segregation of essential function is  
197 readily identified using the parent/neighbor co-expression plots for distally-duplicated genes in *D.*  
198 *melanogaster*, where the ratio of new essential:new non-essential genes in the lower right quadrant  
199 (5:17, 22.7%) was found to be significantly lower than the ratio of remaining new essential:new  
200 non-essential genes (29:36, 44.6%) (2.18 fold enrichment,  $p=0.0294$  binomial,  $p=0.0055$ , 2D K-S  
201 Test based on co-expression data without median thresholding (11, 12)), showing that enhancer  
202 capture is a significant driver of new gene evolution alongside previously established processes  
203 (Figure 2).

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### 205 ***Generality of Enhancer-Capture Divergence***

206 To further address the generality of the enhancer-capture model, we utilized an orthogonally  
207 defined, manually curated data set of newly evolved duplicate genes/parental gene pairs in *D.*  
208 *melanogaster* ( $N=156$ ) which contained information regarding the duplication method of these  
209 genes (i.e., tandem, distal, or retro-transposition)(13). We also used a separate, publicly available  
210 FlyBase data set (9) containing 30 classes of developmental tissues produced by the modENCODE  
211 consortium (14) spanning 0-2 hour embryos to 30-day adults. Using these two data sources, we  
212 then calculated the Spearman correlation coefficient for the gene expression each new gene/parent  
213 gene pair across all 30 developmental conditions (“developmental co-expression”). Comparison  
214 of the developmental co-expression for tandem duplicates vs non-tandem duplicates (i.e., both  
215 distal duplicates and retro-transpositions) revealed significantly lower developmental co-  
216 expression in non-tandem duplicates than tandem duplicates ( $p=3.45 \times 10^{-10}$ , Supp. Figure S2).  
217 When these comparisons were done with tandem duplicates vs either distal duplicates or retro-  
218 transpositions alone, non-tandem duplicates continued to show significantly lower developmental  
219 co-expression (distal:  $p=8.99 \times 10^{-9}$ , retro-transposition:  $p=5.41 \times 10^{-3}$ , Supp. Figure S2). In  
220 support of the generality of the Enhancer Capture-Divergence model, these results demonstrate  
221 that regulatory neo-functionalization is a strong driver for non-tandem duplicates, as predicted by  
222 the asymmetric ECD model but not the symmetric DDC, EAC, or IAD models. Indeed, similar  
223 results have been observed in a wide range of studies, including but not limited to studies of retro-  
224 transposons and transposable element domestication as reviewed in (15) and (16).

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### 226 ***HP6/Umbrea as an Illustration of Enhancer Capture-Divergence***

227 Evolution of the *HP6/Umbrea* locus is well-suited for demonstrating the enhancer capture-  
228 divergence model, as *HP6/Umbrea* is one of few recently-evolved genes in *D. melanogaster*  
229 whose protein evolution has been previously described in the literature (Figure 2b, denoted as (\*))  
230 (17). *HP1b*, a gene located on the X chromosome, duplicated approximately 12-15 million years

231 ago (mya) into a gene-poor, intronic region of *umpy*, located on chromosome 2L (Figure 3). The  
232 new gene, *HP6/Umbrea*, was the result of a full duplication, including its three known domains:  
233 the chromo domain, the chromo-shadow domain, and the hinge domain connecting the two.

234 Though *HP6/Umbrea* was lost ancestrally to multiple speciation events, suggesting that it was  
235 originally non-essential (17), *HP6/Umbrea* continued to evolve in a step-wise manner in the  
236 *melanogaster* lineage, gaining its semi-lethal phenotype (18–20) and rapidly diverging from its  
237 parental gene, *HP1b*. Subsequent to fixation, *HP6/Umbrea* lost its chromo domain approximately  
238 10–12 mya; this was followed by sequence divergence and an accumulation of key substitutions  
239 0–7 mya, resulting in *HP6/Umbrea*’s known centromeric protein function in *D. melanogaster* (17,  
240 18, 20–22). The stepwise protein evolution from these results thus eliminates protein neo-  
241 functionalization as the driving force behind the fixation of *HP6/Umbrea*. Sub-functionalization  
242 and/or subsequent optimization of protein function may also be eliminated for similar reasons.

243 To determine whether enhancer capture is the primary driving force underlying *HP6/Umbrea*’s  
244 fixation, we examined the tissue expression of both *HP6/Umbrea* and *HP1b*. A simple comparison  
245 of *HP6/Umbrea*’s tissue-specific expression pattern to the parental gene *HP1b*’s very broad  
246 expression pattern suggests that *HP1b* is under constitutive regulation (Supp. Figure S1).  
247 Conversely, *HP6/Umbrea* is found only in a subset of tissues which express *HP1b*, suggesting that  
248 the new duplicate is under the control of one or more tissue-specific enhancers. *HP6/Umbrea*’s  
249 expression pattern is not similar to its first neighboring gene, *umpy*, but its second neighboring  
250 gene, *CR44609*, which expresses in the imaginal discs, larval salivary glands, and male  
251 reproductive organs, which suggests that these genes are likely co-regulated. The non-  
252 complementary nature of the tissue expression patterns of *HP1b* and *HP6/Umbrea* provide further  
253 evidence ruling out sub-functionalization and/or subsequent optimization of regulatory function.

254 Consistent with the hypothesis that enhancer capture is the driving force being the evolution of  
255 *HP6/Umbrea*, publicly available modENCODE ChIP-Seq/ChIP-Chip data (23) provides positive  
256 evidence that enhancer capture likely drove its early evolution. Using the embryonic S2 cell line  
257 as a negative control where there is little to no *HP6/Umbrea* expression, primed (H3K4me1) and  
258 active (H3K27ac) enhancer marks in whole L3 larvae show strong enhancer activity in an intronic,  
259 gene-poor region of *umpy*, coinciding with the onset of *HP6/Umbrea* transcription and its co-  
260 regulated, neighboring gene, *CR44609* (Figure 3b). Given the absence of other genes in the region  
261 (Figures 3b, 4a), *HP6/Umbrea* remains the likeliest target of the putative enhancer based on  
262 proximity and expression.

263 As *HP6/Umbrea* duplicated into a region that appears to be under the control of a pre-existing  
264 enhancer, we tested for further co-regulation in the region by using tissue expression data (c.f. the  
265 section of ***Analysis of Tissue Co-Expression Shows New Genes Evolve by Enhancer Capture***).  
266 We then applied a correlational analysis on this tissue expression data set to determine whether  
267 *HP6/Umbrea* is co-regulated with other neighboring genes. We took a 500kb region of the genome  
268 centered on the insertion site of *HP6/Umbrea* and calculated the tissue co-expression of each gene  
269 within this region in relation to *HP6/Umbrea*. As enhancers function in a proximity-based manner,  
270 we would expect a distance-dependent effect on the co-expression of neighboring genes across the  
271 genome. To generate a baseline estimate of this distance dependent co-expression distribution, we  
272 sampled 1000 random genic loci within the *D. melanogaster* genome, calculating the degree of  
273 co-regulation expected on proximity alone. Notably, we find that using this distribution, the region  
274 of influence of any given regulatory region of the genome appears to be on the order of 25kb,  
275 suggesting that this is a characteristic distance (1/e reduction) for enhancer interaction in *D.*  
276 *melanogaster* (Figure 4a). Outside of this region of influence, the likelihood of co-expression

277 relaxes to the genomic average. Therefore, genes found within this region of influence with high  
278 tissue co-expression with neighboring genes are potentially the result of co-regulation with the  
279 focal gene. As expected, we find that the neighboring gene, *CR44609*, possesses a similar  
280 expression pattern as *HP6/Umbrea*. We also find that a locus of 6 neighboring genes (*CG11929*,  
281 *Elba3*, *CG3251*, *Taf12L*, *CG15631*, *CG42523*) located approximately 100kb away from  
282 *HP6/Umbrea* also expresses in the same tissues as *HP6/Umbrea*, expressing primarily in the  
283 imaginal discs, larval salivary glands, and adult male reproductive organs (Figure 4a).

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### 285 ***HP6/Umbrea's Chromosomal Conformations Are Determined by a Larval Enhancer*** 286 ***Interaction***

287 While the co-expression of *HP6/Umbrea*'s neighboring gene (*CR44609*) may be explained  
288 simply due to its proximity to *HP6/Umbrea*, the co-expression of the 6-gene cluster is not  
289 immediately evident as being a result of co-regulation. As the gene cluster of co-expressing genes  
290 is distally located along the chromosome beyond *HP6/Umbrea*'s 25kb region of influence, due to  
291 the 3-dimensional nature of the eukaryotic genome, these genes may in fact be proximally located  
292 near *HP6/Umbrea* in 3D space and thus be co-regulated. Similarly, while active enhancer marks  
293 correlating to the onset of expression appear ~50-100kb away from *HP6/Umbrea*, it is not  
294 immediately clear that these putative enhancers are driving *HP6/Umbrea* expression, as their  
295 distance to *HP6/Umbrea* exceeds the 25kb region of influence. As the 3-dimensional  
296 conformations of the genome may still allow these distal genic elements to interact, we tested  
297 whether the putative larval enhancer, *HP6/Umbrea*, its neighboring gene (*CR44609*), and the 6-  
298 gene cluster are co-regulated by examining high-resolution Hi-C data for *D. melanogaster* (24)  
299 (Figure 4d).

300 Like co-expression, the frequency at which two genic elements make physical contact is  
301 expected to have a baseline, distance-dependent distribution. We may therefore test for co-  
302 regulation by predicting significant physical contact between *HP6/Umbrea*, its putative enhancer,  
303 and the cluster of co-expressed neighboring genes using Hi-C data in *D. melanogaster* (Supp.  
304 Figure S3). Such an interaction could be detected if contact between these two loci (i.e.  
305 *HP6/Umbrea* with enhancer and *HP6/Umbrea* with co-expressing genes) exceeds the baseline  
306 distance-dependent distribution of contact frequency. We generated an estimate of this baseline  
307 contact frequency distribution using 1000 independent loci that were sampled randomly from the  
308 genome, where contact data for the flanking regions were used to generate the baseline distance-  
309 dependent contact frequency distribution. We then extracted the contact frequency data for the  
310 *HP6/Umbrea* locus alone and compared this to the baseline genome-wide contact frequency  
311 distribution (Figure 4d).

312 We first note that after self-interactions are removed, we find that physical interactions in the  
313 genome generally remain highly localized, with most interactions lying near the focal locus as  
314 expected. Despite this, we find that *HP6/Umbrea*'s complex contact distribution shows significant  
315 contact with two key features: both with the putative larval enhancer as well as the neighboring 6-  
316 gene co-expression cluster (Figure 4d). Additionally, when this analysis is repeated for the 6-gene  
317 co-expression cluster, we find that this contact is reciprocated, as the 6-gene cluster shows  
318 significant contact across the cluster as well as with *HP6/Umbrea* (Figure 4d). Finally,  
319 *HP6/Umbrea* has enriched contact with the enhancer region that differentially activates at the onset  
320 of *HP6/Umbrea* expression. Combined with the tissue co-expression analysis, these results  
321 demonstrate that *HP6/Umbrea* and these 6 genes are likely co-regulated.

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323     ***The Complex 3D Genome Structure of the HP6/Umbrea Locus Is Conserved Over 25 Million***  
324     ***Years, Pre-dating HP6/Umbrea Insertion***

325     While we find evidence that *HP6/Umbrea*, the larval enhancer, and the 6-gene co-expression  
326     cluster are co-regulated, it is possible that these interactions evolved after *HP6/Umbrea*'s insertion.  
327     To determine whether these interactions pre-date *HP6/Umbrea*'s insertion, we compared newly  
328     generated Hi-C data sets using a second in-group species, *D. yakuba* (Supp. Figure S4), and two  
329     out-group species, *D. pseudoobscura* and *D. miranda* (Supp. Figure S5, S6) (Figure 4c, d). While  
330     *HP6/Umbrea* inserted 12-15mya, the divergence between *D. melanogaster* and both outgroup  
331     species is 25mya (25). Within these clades, *D. melanogaster* and *D. yakuba* diverged 6 mya, while  
332     *D. pseudoobscura* and *D. miranda* diverged 4 mya. In comparing the Hi-C contact patterns for  
333     both *HP6/Umbrea* and its neighboring co-expression cluster, we find that key features of the local  
334     chromosomal conformation are conserved in the 3-dimensional structure despite 25 million years  
335     of evolution: contact with the larval enhancer, reciprocal contact between *HP6/Umbrea* and its co-  
336     expression cluster and contact across the entire co-expression cluster (Figure 4d). These features  
337     were found to be conserved in *D. miranda* even in the presence of a large-scale insertion between  
338     the future *HP6/Umbrea* locus and the neighboring co-expression cluster. The conservation of this  
339     chromosomal structure, despite the subsequent evolution of protein function of *HP6/Umbrea*,  
340     suggests that the neo-functionalization event driving the fixation of the original duplication was  
341     likely driven by enhancer capture. Specifically, the 3D structure driving enhancer contacts existed  
342     prior to *HP6/Umbrea*'s origination, and by duplicating into this region, *HP6/Umbrea* immediately  
343     captured this regulatory interaction.

344     ***The HP6/Umbrea Locus Structure is Driven by a Tissue-Specific Larval Enhancer***

345     Though the Hi-C data suggested that the captured larval enhancer would be located in the  
346     vicinity of chr2L:4500000, the interactions were observed at relatively low genomic resolution.  
347     To identify the location of the larval enhancer with higher precision, we utilized 4C-Seq (26, 27)  
348     on ~400 dissected L3 larvae and pre-pupae from *D. melanogaster* using a viewpoint of the  
349     *HP6/Umbrea* coding sequence, revealing highly enriched contact with a single, distal 394bp locus  
350     located approximated 130kb away from the *HP6/Umbrea* locus (Supp. Figure S7). This locus was  
351     expanded by approximately 750bp on both 5' and 3' ends and was named the Four-C Larval  
352     Enhancer Element (FLEE1)(Supp. File S1). Interestingly, the 2165bp FLEE1 construct was found  
353     to be entirely contained within the coding regions of the genes *MFS18* and *Elp3*, which are both  
354     highly conserved, essential genes in *D. melanogaster*.

355     To validate whether FLEE1 contained a functional larval enhancer, we assayed pGreenRabbit  
356     reporter plasmids which we site-specifically integrated in *D. melanogaster* (BDSC 79604) (28).  
357     Compared to control, homozygote transformants that contain empty reporter vectors which drove  
358     basal levels of GFP expression, we found that FLEE1 directed GFP expression in the salivary  
359     glands of third instar larvae (Figure 5, Movie S1). The result is consistent with prior *in vivo* results  
360     of *HP6/Umbrea*'s known expression pattern and key role in polytene chromosome function in  
361     larval salivary glands. Anti-body staining of polytene chromosomes showed localization of  
362     *HP6/Umbrea* and its parental gene *HP1b*, while tissue-specific RNAi knockdown of *HP6/Umbrea*  
363     in the larval salivary glands demonstrated aberrant telomere-telomere attachments (19). Consistent  
364     with these observations, motif analysis of the FLEE1 locus using FIMO (29) and the CIS-BP  
365     database (30) revealed the presence of a *CrebA* motif, which is a leucine zipper transcription factor  
366     associated with regulation of tissue-specific genes in the salivary gland (9).

368 While FLEE1 contains the 3' UTRs of both *MFS18* and *Elp3*, the entirety of FLEE1 is contained  
369 within the coding sequences of these two genes, excluding two short intronic regions of 54bp and  
370 66bp within *MFS18* (Supp. Figure S8). Because *MFS18* and *Elp3* are essential genes, we were  
371 unable to perform further functional characterization. However, a population genetic analysis of  
372 the *MFS18* locus reveals that the coding sequence of *MFS18* is under selective pressure not only  
373 to maintain/conserve *MFS18* amino-acid sequence but also to maintain regulatory function as an  
374 active larval enhancer. Interestingly, the FLEE1 locus shows strong divergence from *D. yakuba*  
375 and *D. simulans* while maintaining low levels of polymorphism within natural populations in *D.*  
376 *melanogaster*, suggesting that the locus is under strong selective pressure (Supp. Figure S9).  
377 However, an analysis of the ratio of non-synonymous to synonymous substitution rates from *S.*  
378 *lebanonensis* to *D. melanogaster* for *MFS18* shows that the vast majority of these substitutions are  
379 synonymous substitutions ( $Ka/Ks = 0.033$ ,  $p=0.0022$ )(31), demonstrating that this locus is under  
380 strong purifying selection. Alternatively, the *MFS18* locus fails to show signatures of directional  
381 selection, being unable to show significance in the correct direction under the Hudson-Kreitman-  
382 Aguadé (HKA)(32) and McDonald-Kreitman (MK)(33) tests (Table 1). These combined results  
383 suggest that the coding sequence of *MFS18* is under selective pressure to maintain/conserve  
384 *MFS18* amino-acid sequence while simultaneously maintaining regulatory function as an active  
385 larval enhancer, displaying a stereotypically high substitution rate as is common with enhancers  
386 under stabilizing selection(34). These results stand in sharp contrast to the *HP6/Umbrea* locus,  
387 which shows signatures of strong directional selection under both the HKA and MK tests (Table  
388 1).

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### 390 ***Co-expression of HP6/Umbrea and Neighboring Genes Pre-dates HP6/Umbrea Insertion***

391 The distal 3D-dimensional contacts (spanning over 250kb from enhancer to co-expression  
392 cluster) we identified were found to pre-date *HP6/Umbrea*'s insertion, and these contacts were  
393 used to discover a previously uncharacterized enhancer element. However, it is still unclear  
394 whether the co-regulation of the co-expressed cluster pre-dates *HP6/Umbrea*'s insertion. The  
395 positioning of FLEE1 within a highly conserved, essential gene prevents *in situ* genetic  
396 manipulation to validate an ancestral co-regulatory environment. Therefore, to determine whether  
397 co-regulation of *HP6/Umbrea*'s insertion site and its neighboring genes pre-dates the insertion of  
398 *HP6/Umbrea*, we performed single-cell RNA-Sequencing (scRNA-Seq) using a panel of 3 closely  
399 related species: *D. melanogaster* and *D. yakuba*, both containing *HP6/Umbrea*, and *D. ananassae*,  
400 which pre-dates *HP6/Umbrea*'s origination. We performed scRNA-seq in the testis tissue because  
401 of its high evolutionary importance (20, 35–37), the existence of pre-existing high-quality cell  
402 type annotations (38), and the significantly higher expression levels of *HP6/Umbrea* and its co-  
403 expression cluster in this tissue type relative(38), and the significantly higher expression levels of  
404 *HP6/Umbrea* and its co-expression cluster compared to imaginal disc or salivary gland tissue  
405 (Supp. Figure S1).

406 After mapping and visualization of the scRNA-Seq data using previous cell type annotations  
407 (Figure 6a)(38) as well as data from all three species on the same, shared manifold (Figure 6b), it  
408 becomes clear that *HP6/Umbrea* is co-regulated on a cellular level with *CG11929*, *Taf12L* and  
409 *CG15631*, while overall expression of *Elba3* and *CG3251* are low and restricted mainly to  
410 germline stem cells (GSCs)/early spermatagonia. As an internal control, somatic and  
411 developmental cell types cluster together as expected. The bulk of the expression is shared across  
412 the co-regulated genes, while further cell type-specific expression is also shared within a sub-class  
413 of cyst cells, GSCs/early spermatogonia, and early as well as late spermatids. Importantly, the co-

414 regulation of *CG11929*, *Taf12L*, and *CG15631* pre-dates the insertion of *HP6/Umbrea* as  
415 demonstrated by the shared cell type-specific co-expression of these genes in *D. ananassae*. While  
416 co-regulation of *CG11929*, *Taf12L*, and *CG15631* and very low expression of *Elba3* and *CG3251*  
417 remain evolutionarily conserved, *CG42523* shows significant divergence in its expression pattern  
418 within these species. Notably, while its expression pattern shows significant co-regulation with  
419 *CG11929*, *Taf12L*, and *CG15631* in *D. ananassae*, it appears that *CG42523* was down-regulated  
420 in the *D. yakuba* lineage, while it shows significant functional divergence in its regulation from  
421 the co-expression cluster in the *D. melanogaster* lineage.

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## 424 DISCUSSION

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### 426 *Identification of Distal Larval Enhancer*

427 FLEE1's regulatory activity residing within the primarily exonic regions of the highly-  
428 conserved *MFS18* gene constitutes an example of how protein-coding regions of the genome may  
429 also have key regulatory functions (39, 40). Such pleiotropy demonstrates how the interpretation  
430 of synonymous substitution rates may not necessarily serve as good estimates of neutral evolution  
431 rates in commonly used codon table-based tests of molecular evolution. Rather, substitutions  
432 typically regarded as synonymous could alternatively be indicative of strong directional or  
433 stabilizing selection for the regulatory function of genomic enhancer elements. Furthermore,  
434 elucidation of the FLEE1-*HP6/Umbrea* interaction highlights the importance of identifying and  
435 characterizing the contributions of structural variations and chromosomal rearrangements in  
436 driving phenotypic evolution. Our results demonstrate how stabilizing selection for the  
437 conservation of large-scale chromosomal conformations drives the appearance of evolutionary  
438 novelty resulting in the development of novel, centromeric function as in the case of *HP6/Umbrea*.  
439 While further work will be required to reveal what evolutionary forces underlie the strong  
440 conservation of the long-distance interaction of the *HP6/Umbrea* locus prior to the new gene's  
441 insertion, our findings demonstrate how complex chromosomal conformations are a key,  
442 underappreciated element in the evolution of the eukaryotic genome.

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### 444 *Enhancer Capture Divergence Model*

445 ECD joins various previously proposed models to interpret different evolutionary aspects of  
446 gene functionality. Whereas DDC and EAC, for example, explain the duplication-dependent  
447 subfunctionalization and resolution of adaptive-caused conflict from ancestral genes with multiple  
448 functions respectively, ECD interprets neofunctionalization for creating novel gene functions  
449 through duplication. ECD demonstrates how the manner of duplication itself may provide neo-  
450 functionalization in an asymmetric, tissue-specific manner. Such neo-functionalization provides a  
451 selective advantage in a direct, by the single-step 3D-facilitated acquirement of regulatory  
452 elements. The newly acquired elementary functions may maintain the new duplicate for adequate  
453 time until the new advantageous mutations occur to solve the Ohno's dilemma.

454 In addition to partial duplication phenomena such as the generation of gene fusions (41) as well  
455 as favorable frame-shifts (42), our model highlights the under-appreciated evolutionary value of  
456 both the act of duplication itself and, more importantly, the genomic context in which these  
457 duplications occur. While the role of positional effects in gene regulation and evolution has long  
458 been appreciated (43, 44), the advent of new chromosomal conformation capture technologies

459 allows us to directly connect the conservation of chromosomal domains (45, 46) and the  
460 origination of new genes under a strong conceptual framework.

461 Under the ECD model, a gene copy duplicates into a pre-existing regulatory context (Figure  
462 7a), gaining a new regulatory interaction. This model thus provides a mechanistic explanation by  
463 which gene interaction networks may rapidly evolve (36). Under this model, we have two separate  
464 gene interaction sub-networks for both parental and neighboring genes (Figure 7b). As a new gene  
465 duplicates into a region near the neighboring gene, the new gene acquires the upstream regulatory  
466 function of the neighboring gene as well as the original parental gene's downstream protein  
467 function (Figure 7c) while simultaneously preserving the pre-existing interactions from both  
468 parental and neighboring genes' sub-networks. Since duplication has been observed to occur more  
469 frequently than point mutations (4, 7), enhancer capture provides a faster route to generating  
470 increased tissue-specific expression of a parental gene (Figure 1) than any set of mutations in the  
471 parental gene's regulatory sequence. Duplication in the 3-dimensional looping architecture of the  
472 eukaryotic genome recombines genes and enhancers into new combinations, thus resulting in  
473 regulatory novelty (Figure 7c). As such, this model provides an explanation and mechanism for  
474 the well-described but poorly-understood phenomenon where new gene duplicates often possess  
475 highly tissue-specific expression patterns (Figure 2a)(37, 47, 48).

476 One key aspect of the ECD model is the selective advantage imparted by increased tissue-  
477 specific expression. The resolution of genetic conflict, such as sexual antagonism, is becoming  
478 increasingly appreciated as a driver of the evolution of new genes (49, 50). While most new genes  
479 have highly tissue-specific expression patterns, these often favor either the female or male  
480 reproductive organs/germlines in *D. melanogaster* (37). A close examination of the expression  
481 pattern of *HP6/Umbrea* demonstrates the same – *HP6/Umbrea* is expressed primarily in the  
482 imaginal discs, larval salivary gland, and the male reproductive organs. As such, it is possible that  
483 the selective advantage imparted by *HP6/Umbrea*'s original duplication may have been a result of  
484 regulatory sexual antagonism and, given that most new genes show expression specific to  
485 reproductive organs, enhancer capture may be a widespread mechanism for the resolution of  
486 sexual antagonism. Furthermore, *HP6/Umbrea*'s repeated ancestral loss suggested it was  
487 originally non-essential follow duplication, but later gained its semi-lethal phenotype in a step-  
488 wise manner. The enhancer capture model may provide a key mechanism by which new essential  
489 genes gain their essential phenotype(20).

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#### 491 ***Evidence for the generality of the ECD mechanism***

492 One context in which the mechanism of enhancer capture has been well studied is in the  
493 development of human malignancies. The first discovered example of enhancer capture occurring  
494 in cancer is the t(8;14) translocation in Burkitt's lymphoma, allowing for the oncogene *Myc* to be  
495 expressed under the regulatory control of the immunoglobulin heavy chain gene (*IGH*), which is  
496 expressed in lymphoid cells (51, 52). To date, there have been a variety of other examples of  
497 enhancer capture re-arrangements involved in oncogenesis occurring in diverse tissues (53–57).  
498 Although most re-arrangements bring oncogenes into proximity with constitutive regulatory  
499 elements of a given cell type, they may also be brought into proximity with context-specific  
500 regulatory regions. One such translocation in prostate cancer involves the translocation of the  
501 oncogenes *ETV1* or *ERG* within proximity of the promoter region of *TMPRSS2* which contains  
502 several androgen receptor binding sites. In this instance, *ETV1* or *ERG* gains new androgen-  
503 dependent expression, which can be abrogated by androgen deprivation therapy, a common  
504 treatment for prostate cancer(58, 59).

505 One longstanding question in this literature is why particular re-arrangements are commonly  
506 associated with specific cancers. Are common re-arrangements observed because they are the few  
507 examples that confer a selective advantage in select cell or does the cancer cell type have a  
508 structural predisposition to favor those re-arrangements? Although common rearrangements do  
509 confer a relative fitness advantage to the cancer cells, the evidence has become clear that re-  
510 combining loci are likely to be within physical proximity of one another(60, 61). It has been shown  
511 that chromosomes 9 and 22 neighbor each other in hematopoietic cells which may explain the  
512 frequency of the t(9;22) translocation in chronic lymphocytic leukemia which produces the *BCR-ABL*  
513 fusion protein(62, 63). Additionally, it has been shown that the *Myc* and *IGH* genes are  
514 brought within close physical proximity during B-cell stimulation (64) highlighting the importance  
515 of cell-context specific genomic arrangements in cancer.

516 The primary difference between enhancer capture in cancer and organismal evolution is the  
517 lack of necessity for cancer cells to preserve an oncogene's previous function via gene duplication  
518 prior to translocation. Additionally, cancer cells typically experience selection at the clonal level  
519 so re-arrangements do not need to confer optimized gene expression within multiple tissue  
520 contexts. However, the cancer literature is clear that enhancer capture is a commonly occurring  
521 one-step mechanism that allows individual cells to gain fitness advantages, and that cell-type  
522 specific 3D genome confirmations selectively favor certain re-arrangements. Given our finding  
523 that the enhancer capture-divergence model is a significant driver of new gene evolution, it is  
524 likely that the inherent 3D configuration of the germline genome imposes a significant and  
525 previously unappreciated constraint on evolutionary novelty.

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## 528 METHODS AND MATERIALS

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### 530 *Tissue expression data and analysis*

531 Tissue expression data were retrieved from FlyBase. Pre-computed RPKM data files were  
532 downloaded, with RPKM values for each FlyBase transcript being reported for 29 tissues (8). As  
533 many of the tissue-types were repetitive, data from the head, ovary, carcass, and digestive system  
534 were averaged to reduce over-representation bias in further correlational analyses. Gene map data  
535 was also obtained from FlyBase to properly identify neighboring genes (9). Parental/new gene pair  
536 information was retrieved from (20). Spearman correlation coefficients were calculated using the  
537 tissue expression data between parental and new gene pairs. Due to intronic structures and  
538 variation in gene length, two neighboring genes for each new gene on each side were assessed  
539 using Spearman correlation coefficients and the maximum value of the four neighbors was  
540 recorded. Additionally, correlation coefficients for all genes within 500kb of *HP6/Umbrea* were  
541 reported. To generate a baseline distance-dependent genomic estimate of co-expression, 1000  
542 random genic loci were chosen and co-expression values (Spearman) between the randomly  
543 selected gene and all neighbors within a 500kb range were calculated. This 500kb region was then  
544 divided into 100 non-overlapping windows where means and variances in correlation coefficients  
545 were calculated across all randomly selected loci.

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### 547 *ChIP-Seq data*

548 ChIP-Seq or ChIP-Chip data were obtained for H3K4me1 and H3K27ac for S2 cells as well as  
549 whole L3 larvae from modENCODE (23). H3K4me1 ChIP-Chip data for S2-DRSC cells were  
550 obtained using data ID 304 and 3760. H3K27ac ChIP-Chip data for S2-DRSC cells were obtained

551 using data ID 296 and 3757. H3K4me1 ChIP-Seq data for whole Oregon-R L3 larvae were  
552 obtained using data ID 4986. H3K27ac ChIP-Seq data for whole Oregon-R L3 larvae were  
553 obtained using data ID 5084. For all data sets, data was obtained in .gff3 format and visualized  
554 using the UCSC Genome Browser.

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### 556 ***Hi-C data***

557 We generated Hi-C data of *D. yakuba*, *D. pseudoobscura*, and *D. miranda*, and used publicly  
558 available Hi-C libraries obtained from NCBI for *D. melanogaster*, PRJNA393992. *D. melanogaster* source tissue was S2 cells, *D. yakuba* from adult females (SRR12331759), and *D. pseudoobscura* and *D. miranda* were L3 larvae. Hi-C libraries were preprocessed, mapped, and  
559 filtered using HiCUP version 0.8.0 (65). Specifically, reads from fastq files were trimmed at  
560 ligation junctions, and subsequently each mate of paired-end sequences were independently  
561 mapped to the respective genomes using bowtie2 version 2.2.9 (66). Reads were mapped to  
562 genomes consisting of canonical chromosomes only (i.e., excluding scaffolds and other unplaced  
563 sequences). *D. melanogaster* reference genome was dm6 and obtained from FlyBase (9). The *D. yakuba* reference genome for the NY73PB line was generated by meta-assembly of two PacBio  
564 long read assemblies (FALCON and Canu) using quickmerge, followed by polishing with Quiver,  
565 PILON, and a custom FreeBayes homopolymer frameshift polishing step. It can be obtained from  
566 NCBI (PRJNA310215). The *D. pseudoobscura* reference genome was obtained directly from  
567 Ryan Bracewell (<https://www.ryanbracewell.com/data.html>) (67) and the *D. miranda* reference  
568 genome was obtained from NCBI (PRJNA474939), (68). HiCUP was used further to remove  
569 experimental artifacts based on an *in silico* genome digest as previously described (65). HiCUP  
570 mapped and filtered .sam files were then converted to formats compatible with HOMER version  
571 4.11 (69) and juicer tools version 1.22.01 (70). To create matrices, HOMER was used to tile the  
572 genome into matrices of fixed-size bins, and assign reads to their correct intersecting bins.  
573 HOMER was also used to normalize contact counts in these matrices based on known Hi-C biases,  
574 as previously described (69). JuicerTools was used to produce .hic files at resolutions of 5kb for  
575 *D. melanogaster* and *D. yakuba* and 7.5kb for *D. pseudoobscura* and *D. miranda*, and to create  
576 normalized matrices.

577 Using Hi-C contact matrices, data rows for *HP6/Umbrea* and its neighboring cluster were  
578 pulled for a 400kb region centered on *HP6/Umbrea* and self-self interactions were removed. To  
579 generate a genome-wide distance-dependent distribution of contact, 1000 random loci were  
580 sampled. Contact data for each locus was then normalized with total contact (arb. units) being  
581 equal for all loci. The means and variances for each non-overlapping window were calculated and  
582 reported and compared to *HP6/Umbrea* and the co-expression clusters' data. To generate genomic  
583 coordinates for *HP6/Umbrea* prior to duplication, *D. melanogaster* sequences flanking  
584 *HP6/Umbrea*'s insertion site were aligned to the *D. yakuba*, *D. pseudoobscura* and *D. miranda*  
585 reference genomes using BLAST. Similarly, the promoter region of CG11929 was aligned to *D. yakuba*,  
586 *D. pseudoobscura* and *D. miranda* reference genomes to represent the co-expression  
587 cluster.

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### 589 ***4C-Seq Data***

590 About 400 *D. melanogaster* L3 larvae and pre-pupae were freshly dissected in 10-minute  
591 intervals on ice. A single cell suspension was generated from imaginal disc tissue using  
592 collagenase. These suspensions were pooled and formaldehyde-fixed for 10 minutes, followed by  
593 glycine quenching. Aliquots of these suspensions were quantified and snap frozen with liquid

597 nitrogen and stored at -80°C until 10<sup>7</sup> cells were accumulated. All cells were then collected and  
598 resuspended in a lysis buffer containing Triton X-100, NP-40, and protease inhibitors followed by  
599 homogenization via douncing. Nuclei were then gently lysed using a SDS and Triton-X while  
600 shaking (900 RPM) at 37°C for 1 hour each. Restriction enzyme digests were then performed using  
601 DpnII. After enzymatic deactivation at 65°C, the resulting solution was diluted in 7 mL of water,  
602 and proximity ligation was performed using T4 ligase overnight. This was followed by overnight  
603 de-crosslinking using proteinase K. A second restriction enzyme digest was performed with Csp6i  
604 followed by a second proximity ligation step performed in 14 mL solution. The resulting  
605 circularized library was extracted with ethanol and then purified using a HiPure PCR Cleanup kit.  
606 The cleaned library was then amplified using primers specific to HP6/Umbrea with attached  
607 Illumina P5/P7 adapters and sequenced on the Illumina HiSeq 2500 platform (PRJNA948431).  
608 Results were subsequently aligned to the FlyBase dm6 reference genome, and raw coverage was  
609 visualized in R using rtracklayer.  
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### 611 *Fly stocks, genetic manipulations and microscopy*

612 All *D. melanogaster* lines were grown on a modified Bloomington cornmeal-molasses  
613 formulation. Fly lines for site-specific integration were obtained from Bloomington Drosophila  
614 Stock Center. pGreenRabbit reporter plasmids were site-specifically integrated into y[1] w[\*]  
615 P{y[+t7.7]=nanos-phiC31\int.NLS}X; P{y[+t7.7]=CaryP}attP40 (BDSC 79604). FLEE1  
616 (2L:4444468-4450632) was amplified by PCR and cloned into the pGreenRabbit vector, following  
617 traditional cloning methods. We injected an empty pGreenRabbit vector as a negative control and  
618 pGreenRabbit with the FLEE1 insert into BDSC 79604 pre-blastoderm embryos. Flies with  
619 successful integration were screened for the red eyes phenotype (presence of mini-white). We  
620 dissected salivary glands from third instar larvae of homozygous transformants in 1X PBS, fixed  
621 in 5% PFA in 1XPBS for 5 minutes, and washed 4 times in 1X PBS for 5 minutes. Fixed salivary  
622 glands were stained with DAPI (1:1000) for 10 minutes. All imaging was carried out on an upright  
623 laser scanning confocal microscope (Zeiss LSM 710) and similarly processed using ImageJ  
624 software.  
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### 626 *Population Genetic Analysis*

627 *The data analysis.* The genomic variants were called from whole genome sequencing of 25  
628 samples of *D. melanogaster* (DRM36, EA87, EA87N, ED10N, EF10N, EF126N, GA01, GA03,  
629 GA06, GA07, GH01, GH06, GH12, GH16, GH17, MC23, MC28, RAL900, RG18N, RG4N,  
630 UM118, UM37, UM526, ZH16, ZH20), ten samples of *D. simulans* (F11R4, F11R5, F21R2,  
631 F21R3, F31R2, F31R3, F31R4, F31R5, F41R1, F41R2), and five samples of *D. yakuba* (CY02B5,  
632 CY08A, CY13A, CY17C, CY22B), with sequencing depths >10(71). All these publicly available  
633 raw reads were downloaded from NCBI and cleaned with fastp(72). The cleaned reads were then  
634 mapped to the reference genome of BDGP6.32 with bwa mem v0.7.12(73). The variants-calling  
635 steps included marking duplicates, recalibrating base quality scores, per-sample calling with  
636 HaplotypeCaller, joint-calling with GenotypeGVCFs, and SNPs annotation with snpEff(71, 74).  
637 Only the biallelic sites with quality score > 30, minimum coverage of 10X, minimum genotype  
638 quality of 30, a maximum of 25% missing data were kept.  
639

640 HKA-like tests (32, 75) and MK tests (33) were conducted using polarized SNPs by focusing  
641 on fixed homologous sites in all outgroup samples (*D. yakuba* and *D. simulans*). The allele  
642 frequencies for *D. melanogaster* and outgroups were estimated with PLINK v1.9(76). The  
expected proportions of diverged and polymorphic sites were calculated using the entirety of

643 chromosome 2L (547951/ 307551=1.78). The proportions of diverged and polymorphic sites for  
644 genes were compared against the chromosome-wide ones with  $\chi^2$  test (d.o.f.=1).

645 To detect signals of natural selection based on Ka/Ks (also  $\omega$ ) at the loci of *MFS18*, we collected  
646 orthologous sequences of these two genes in 10 Drosophilid species (*D. ananassae*, *D. erecta*, *D.*  
647 *melanogaster*, *D. mojavensis*, *D. pseudoobscura*, *D. simulans*, *D. virilis*, *D. willistoni*, *D. yakuba*,  
648 *Scaptodrosophila lebanonensis*) from OrthoDB v11(77). For *HP6/Umbrea*, Ka/Ks ratio was not  
649 computed due to incomplete ORFs in outgroup species. We used a codon-based alignment  
650 computed with TranslatorX and MAFFT(78, 79) for *MFS18* to generate gene trees and conducted  
651 the branch model test implemented by PAML(80). To determine the optimal branch model for  
652 substitution rate estimation, we used a dynamic programming method by Zhang et. al. (31) to  
653 select the optimal model according to log likelihoods.

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655 *The sojourn time of a neutral polymorphic duplicate before loss in a population:* The question to  
656 address is how long a newly formed duplicate, if slightly deleterious (as was previously shown for  
657 various polymorphic duplicates (1)), can stay in a form of polymorphism in a population before  
658 loss due to genetic drift. The fixation probabilities for various polymorphic duplicates were  
659 calculated using the equation:  $u/u_0 = S/(1-e^{-S})$  where  $u_0 = 1/2Ne$  as the fixation probability of a  
660 neutral mutation,  $S = 4N_{es}$  and  $s$  the selection coefficient (81). The selection component,  $\gamma = 2N_{es}$ ,  
661 for various polymorphic duplicates in *D. melanogaster* were experimentally measured(1). The  
662 average sojourn time before a neutral duplicate mutation disappears from a population was  
663 calculated as  $T_0(1/2N) = 2(Ne/N)\ln(2N)$  where  $Ne$  is effective population size and  $N$  actual  
664 population size (82). The average ratio  $Ne/N$  was reported in *D. melanogaster* as 0.027 (83) and a  
665 general estimate for metazoans as 0.10(84). The  $T_0(1/2N) < 1.04 \sim 3.60$  generations (the median  
666 as 2.32 generations) ( $Ne = 3,300,000$  in *D. melanogaster*(2)), because all the duplicate variants  
667 are slightly deleterious (1) and could disappear even sooner. Furthermore, the point mutation rate,  
668 as reported previously (e.g.(2, 3), is in the orders of  $10^{-8} \sim 10^{-9}$  per site per generation and the  
669 advantageous ones even much more rare, is unlikely to generate any genetic change that can rescue  
670 the duplicate from extinction in so short a time.

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### 672 *scRNA-Seq*

673 Testes from *D. melanogaster* (38), *D. yakuba* (newly generated), and *D. ananassae* (newly  
674 generated) were dissected in drops of cold PBS using forceps on Petri dishes before being  
675 transferred on ice to reduce degradation. We then desheathed testes in lysis buffer (196  $\mu$ L 1X  
676 TrypLE + 4  $\mu$ L 100mg/ml collagenase). After spinning down briefly and incubating at room  
677 temperature for 30 minutes with mild vortexing every 10 minutes, the samples were passed  
678 through 35  $\mu$ m filters before centrifuging for 7 minutes at 163g (1200rpm) at 4°C. We removed  
679 the supernatant, washed the cell pellet with 200  $\mu$ L cold HBSS, and centrifuged again for 7 minutes  
680 at 163g (1200rpm) at 4°C. We then removed the supernatant before resuspending the cell pellet in  
681 35  $\mu$ L cold HBSS. We counted cells and checked viability on an automated cell counter using 5  
682  $\mu$ L of the single cell suspension with 5  $\mu$ L of trypan blue. Samples were then sent to Rockefeller  
683 Genomics Center for 10X single-cell library preparation and sequencing.

684 The resulting libraries were processed using cellranger (v7.1.0) and aligned to RefSeq genomes  
685 obtained from NCBI (*mel*: GCF\_000001215.4, *yak*: GCF\_016746365.2, *ana*: GCF\_017639315.1).  
686 Pair-wise alignments were performed for each species' transcriptomes using BLAST and  
687 subsequently imported into SAMAP (v0.3.0) (85). Additionally, raw, unprocessed count data from  
688 cellranger was converted into Seurat (v4.3.0) objects in R and then exported as .h5ad AnnData

689 files. These unprocessed AnnData files were then imported into SAMAP, where expression data  
690 for all three species were mapped to the same manifold and subsequently visualized. Cell type  
691 labels from (38) were imported into SAMAP and visualized, allowing for cell type classification.  
692 As overall expression levels of the genes within the visualized cluster varied, resulting in certain  
693 genes' visualizations being saturated and therefore uninterpretable, the scale factor for these genes  
694 was manually adjusted in SAMAP to allow for a consistent interpretation across genes.  
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696 ***RNAi and lethality measurements***

697 We used lethality data previously published by our lab (20, 21) that was based on RNAi lines  
698 obtained from the Vienna Drosophila Resource Center (VDRC). A quarter of all KK RNAi lines  
699 from VDRC carry an inverted repeat sequence insertion at 30B3. However, a proportion (23–25%)  
700 of KK lines also carry an insertion at 40D3, which is housed within the *tio* locus and produces a  
701 confounding lethal phenotype. To avoid this, we updated the lethality data of new genes reported  
702 in (20) by removing the *tio* insertion site in KK lines using a recombination-based approach (21,  
703 86) and finally derived lethality data for the new genes. The lethality results for all lines without  
704 insertion in the *tio* locus were reproducible, previously having been analyzed using four replicates,  
705 and again in our analysis in duplicate. Distally duplicated genes had 90% fewer offspring relative  
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961 **Supplementary Materials**

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	HKA			MK			OBSM	
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<i>MFS18</i>	Obs	31	38	0.018*	N	12	12	0.80
	Exp	46	26		S	87	78	0.033
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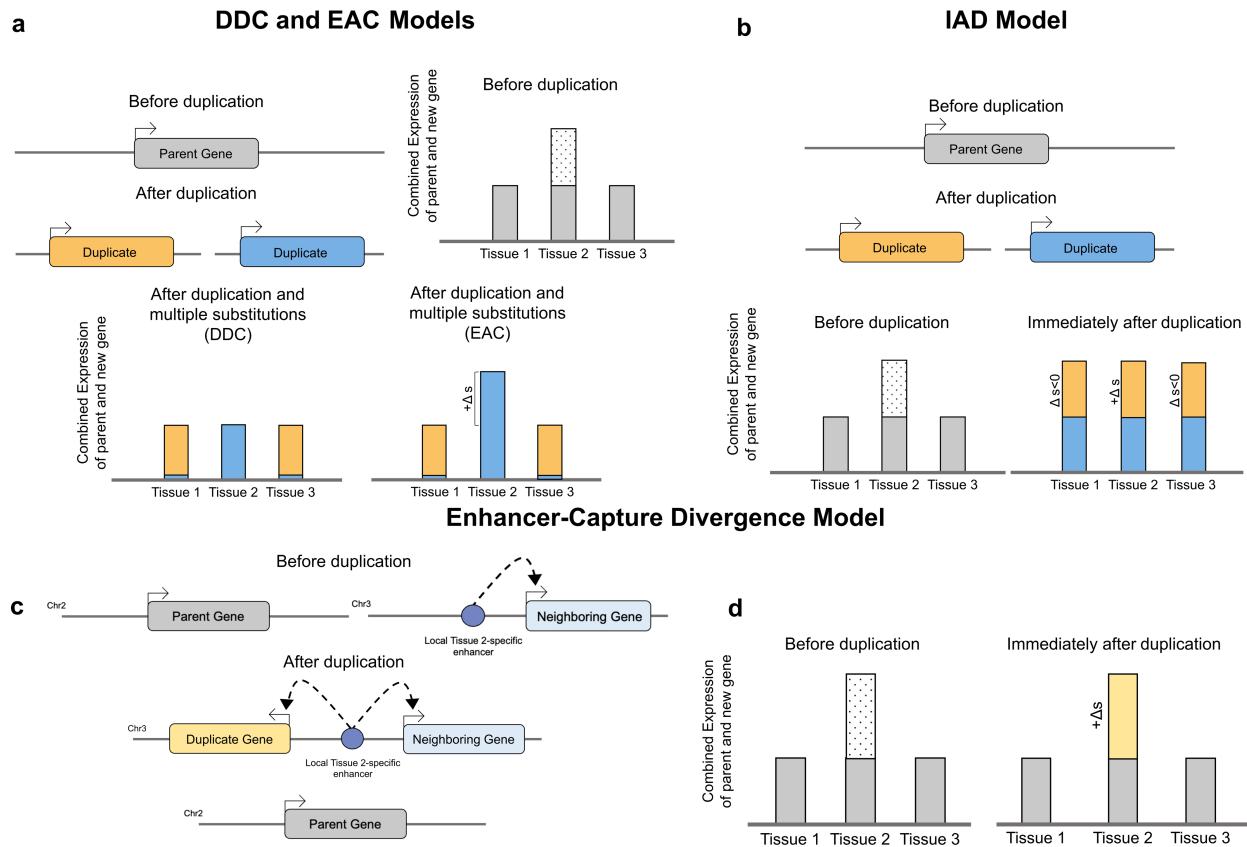
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969 **Table 1. Population genetic analysis of enhancer and HP6/Umbrea locus.** The test summaries of  
970 HKA, MK, and OBSM for positive selection of *MFS18* and *HP6/Umbrea*. “D, P, N, S, NS, Obs, and  
971 Exp” indicate divergence, polymorphism, nonsynonymous sites, synonymous sites, non-significant  
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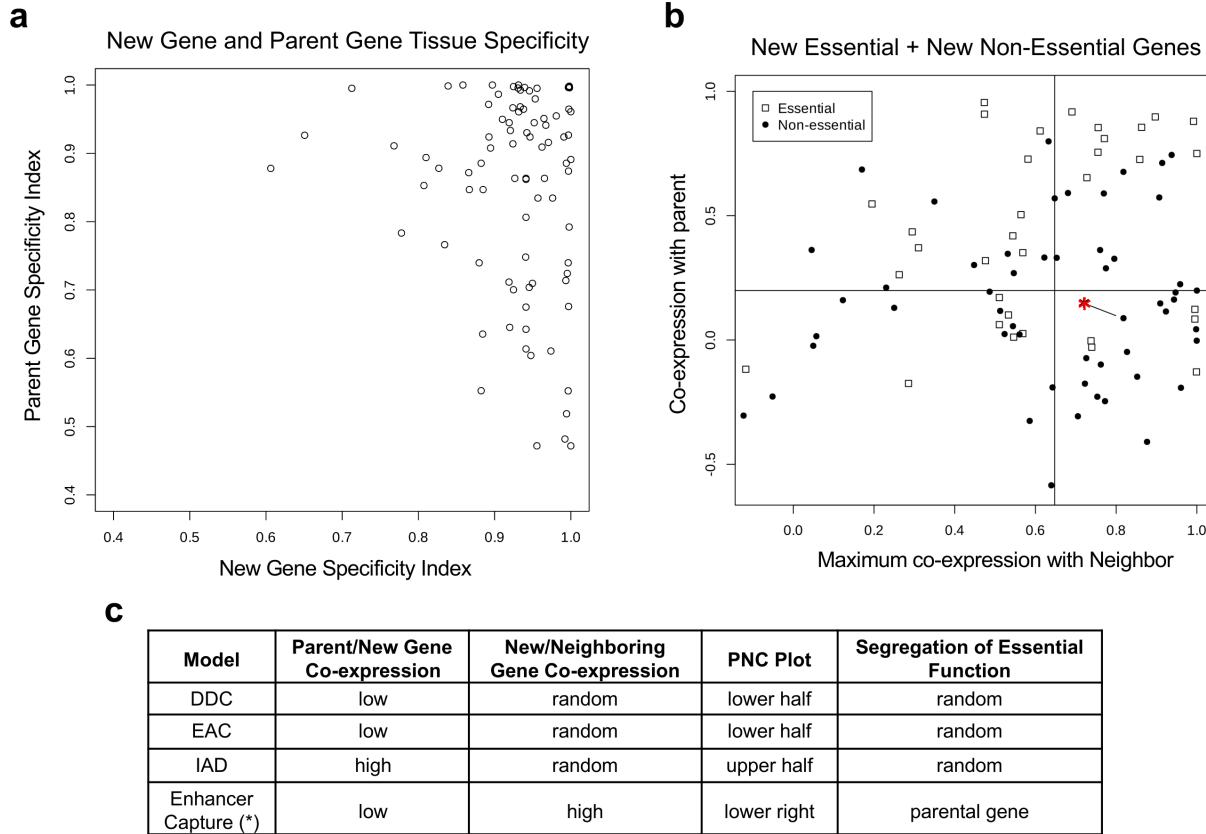
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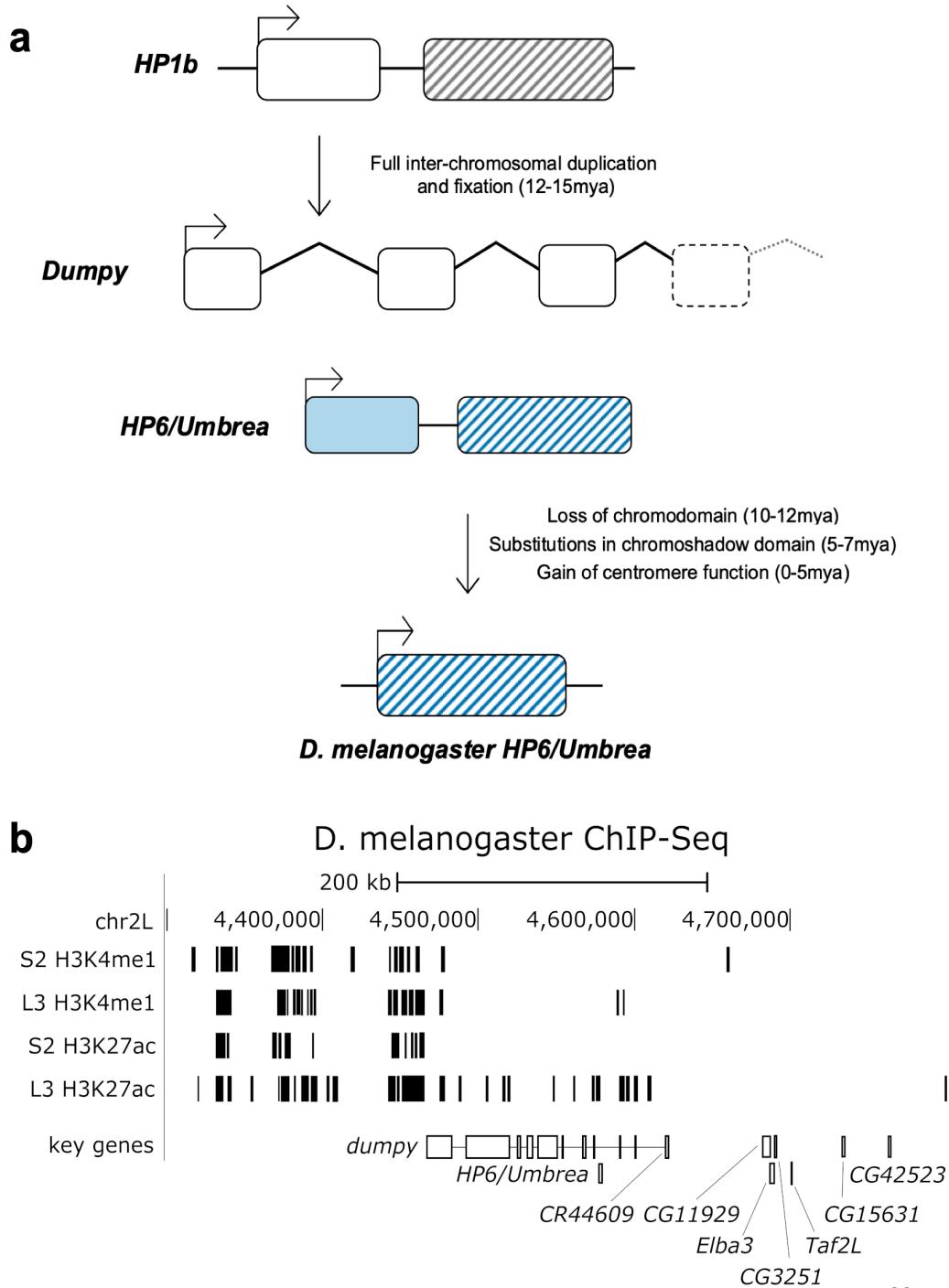
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**Figure 1. Comparison of extant models.** Presented are illustrations for the (a) Duplication-Divergence-Complementation (DDC)/Escape-from-Adaptive-Conflict (EAC), the (b) Innovation-Amplification-Divergence (IAD), and the (c, d) Enhancer Capture-Divergence (ECD) models of duplicate gene evolution, where the gene regulation of three tissue types are considered. In this scenario, we assume no protein substitutions, so all duplicate gene copies produce identical proteins. Dotted box represents selection for increased expression, and  $\Delta s$  indicates the change in selection coefficient. Under the (a) DDC and EAC models, a parental gene duplicates and causes redundancy in the genome. In the DDC model, redundancy allows for compensation of any single loss-of-function event, eventually causing the expression pattern of the ancestral gene to be segregated between both new gene copies in a complementary fashion. Assuming no protein-coding changes, the total output of duplicate gene copies is identical to the original gene – therefore the DDC model is a neutrally evolving process. In the EAC model, increased production in a specific tissue cannot occur within a single gene copy due to internal conflict. This conflict is resolved via the act of duplication, where functions are segregated between duplicate gene copies, allowing the output of these two genes to increase fitness. Note that the identity of duplicate gene copies may not be distinguished under the EAC and DDC models (symmetric), resulting in a random segregation of function. Under the (b) IAD model, an ancestral gene duplicates to increase production of the original protein in a single step. This increased dosage can potentially cause deleterious effects via misexpression or over-activity in multi-cellular organisms. Note that the identity of duplicate gene copies also cannot be distinguished in the IAD model (symmetric), resulting in a redundant segregation of function. Under the (c) ECD model, a parental gene fully duplicates into a distant region of the genome that is under the control of a pre-existing enhancer. By capturing this new interaction (d), this duplication increases tissue-specific production of the original protein in a single step. Notice that the clearly identifiable parental gene copy remains unaltered and thus all original function is retained, while the duplicate copy acts only to increase protein expression in a single tissue.

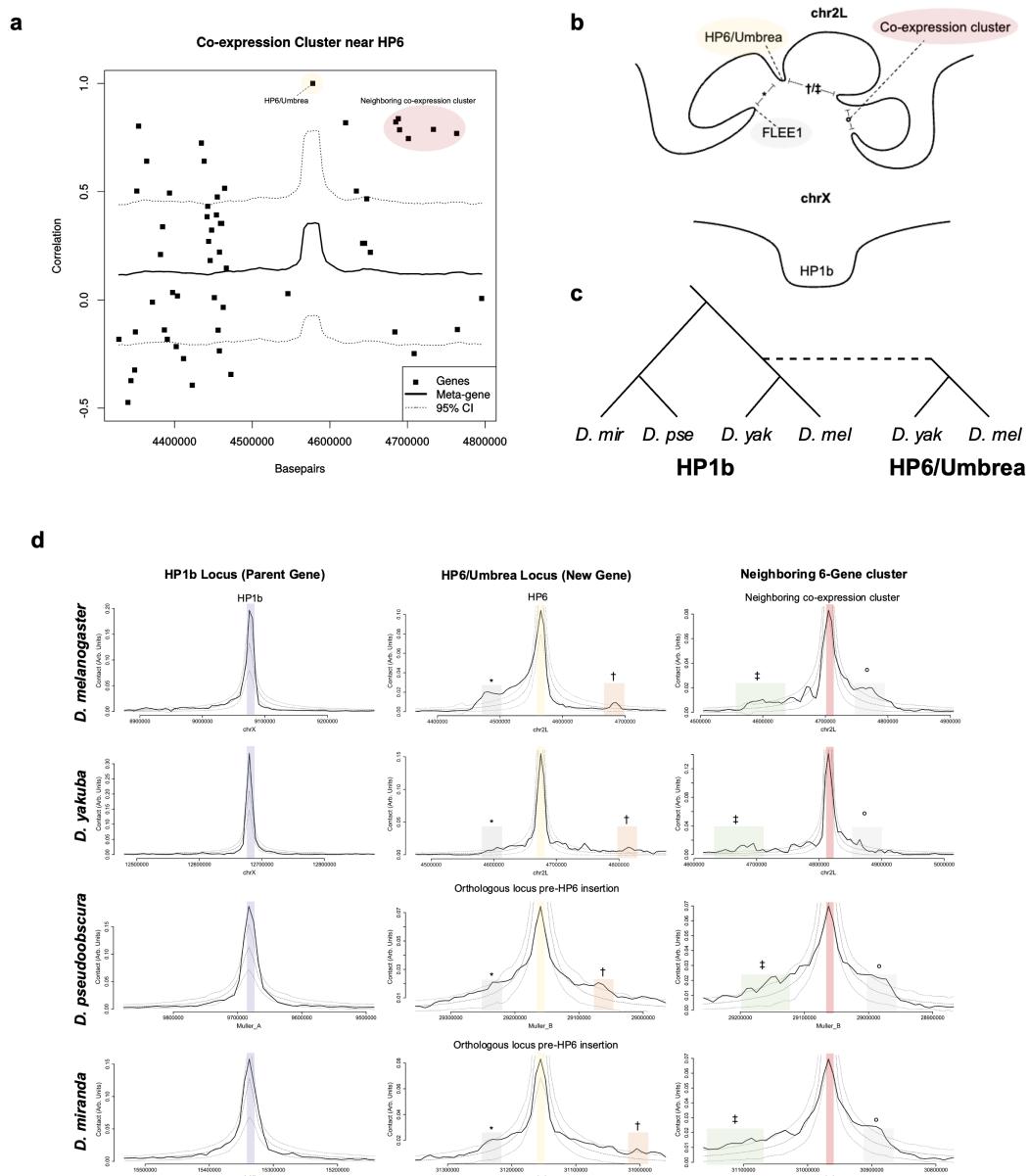


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1002 **Figure 2. Asymmetrically duplicated new genes evolve via enhancer capture.** (a) Using new-gene/parent-gene  
1003 pairs for genes evolving via distal duplication in *D. melanogaster*, the tissue specificity index  $\tau$  is calculated and  
1004 plotted above, demonstrating that new genes evolving via distal duplication have higher tissue specificity than  
1005 parental genes. (b) Shown are parent/neighbor tissue co-expression patterns for new genes in *D. melanogaster*  
1006 which have duplicated either more than 500kb away or between chromosomes. Tissue co-expression (Spearman  
1007 correlation coefficient) between new gene/parental gene pairs is plotted on the vertical axis while maximal tissue  
1008 co-expression between new gene/neighboring genes pairs is plotted on the horizontal axis. Vertical and horizontal  
1009 lines indicate median co-expression value of all distally duplicated new genes presented here. Genes that evolved  
1010 via enhancer capture are expected to have low parental co-expression and high neighboring co-expression and  
1011 should thus be present in the lower right quadrant. (c) While a new gene's essential function is equally likely to be  
1012 partitioned between either parent or new gene under prior models, new genes evolving via enhancer capture are  
1013 unlikely to have essential functions, as the expression of the new gene will only augment existing expression of the  
1014 parental gene, leaving the original essential function intact. Comparing the ratio of new essential to new non-  
1015 essential genes (29:36, 44.6%) in quadrants I-III to the ratio of new essential to new non-essential genes in quadrant  
1016 IV showing high neighboring/low parental co-expression (5:17, 22.7%) shows that new genes likely evolve via  
1017 regulatory capture (2.18 fold enrichment,  $p=0.0055$ , 2D K-S test). (\*) denotes HP6/Umbrea)

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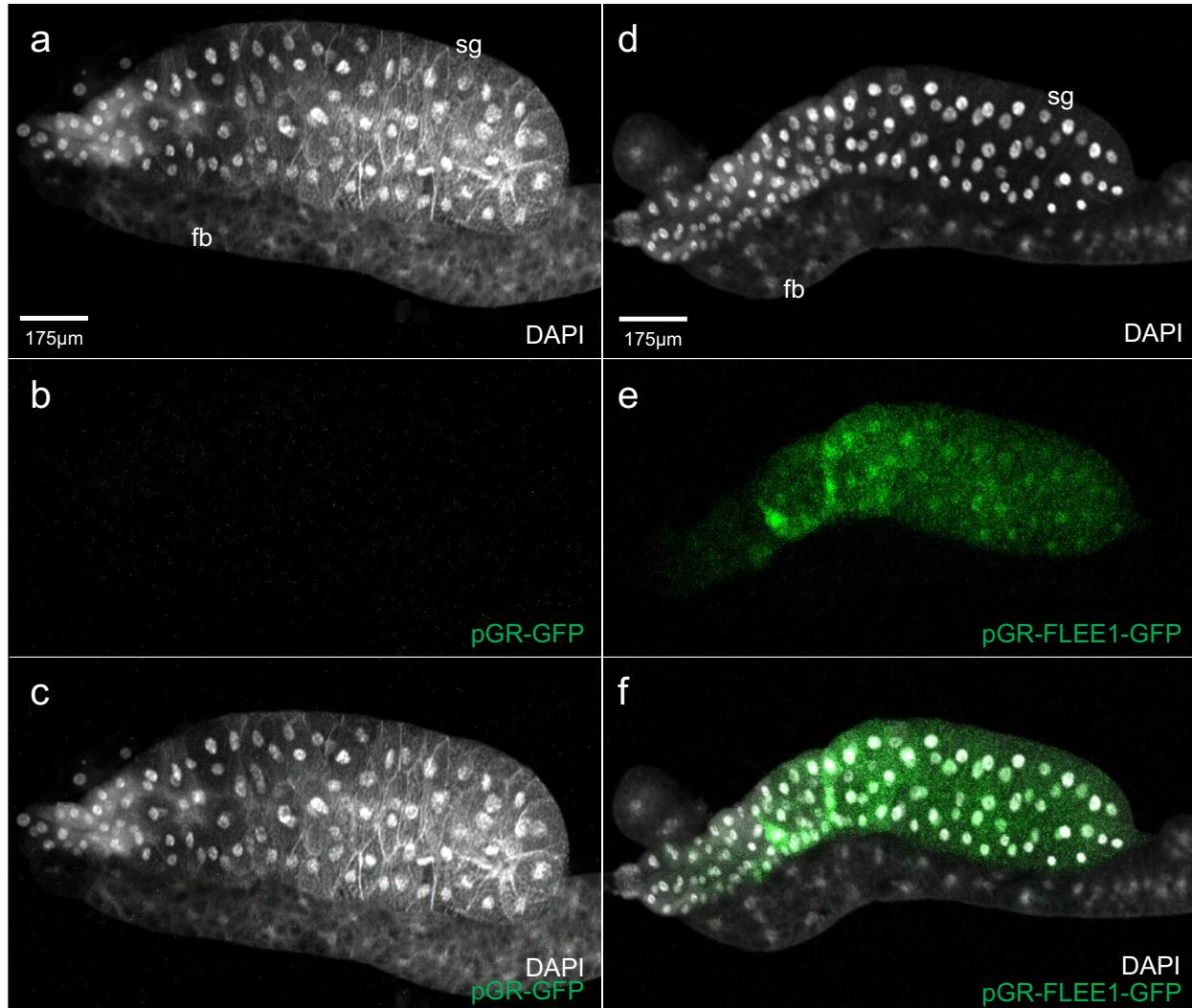


**Figure 3. HP6/Umbrea likely evolved via enhancer capture.** (a) *HP6/Umbrea* is a new gene in *D. melanogaster* that arose from a full duplication of *HP1b* into an intronic region of *umpy*, migrating from chromosome X to 2L. *HP6/Umbrea*'s well characterized, step-wise protein evolution suggests that amino-acid substitutions were unlikely to have driven the duplicate gene copy to fixation. (b) A comparison of ChIP-Seq/ChIP-Chip markers for primed (H3K4me1) and active (H3K27ac) enhancers between embryonic S2 (no/low *HP6/Umbrea* expression) and whole L3 larvae (high *HP6/Umbrea* expression) tracks shows strong activation of a larval enhancer in a 100kb intronic region of *umpy* that is, aside from *HP6/Umbrea*, devoid of protein coding genes.



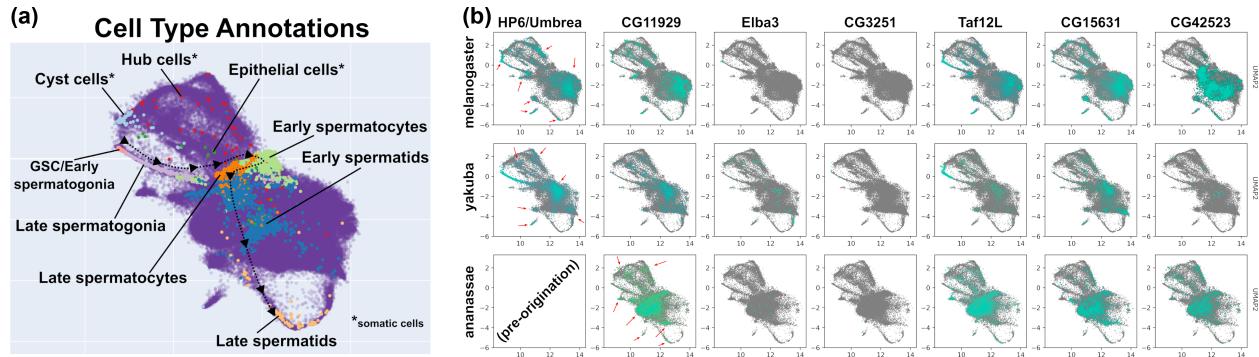
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**Figure 4. HP6/Umbrella co-expression is associated with conserved chromosomal looping that pre-dates its insertion.** (a) Tissue co-expression analysis between *HP6/Umbrella* and neighboring genes reveals the presence of a co-regulated cluster of 6 neighboring genes. Note absence of other genes within *dumpky*'s intronic regions. (b) Two in-group species, *D. melanogaster* and *D. yakuba* (div. ~ 6mya), contain *HP6/Umbrella*, while two out-group species, *D. pseudoobscura* and *D. miranda* (pse-mir div. ~ 4mya, pse-mel div. ~ 25mya), pre-date *HP6/Umbrella*'s insertion (~ 12-15mya). (c) Cartoon legend illustrating features in (d). Not drawn to scale. (d) Hi-C data tracks for in-group (*D. mel*, *D. yak*) and out-group (*D. pse*, *D. mir*) species are shown for the parental gene *HP1b* (left column) *HP6/Umbrella*'s insertion site (middle column) and the co-regulated 6-gene cluster (right column), with a 95% confidence interval generated from genomic sampling plotted in dotted lines. On the vertical axis is contact in arbitrary units, and on the horizontal axis is genomic coordinates centered on the viewpoint location. Conserved feature (\*) shows that *HP6/Umbrella*'s insertion site loops with the active larval enhancers contained in *dumpky*'s intronic gene-desert. Conserved features (†) & (‡) show that *HP6/Umbrella*'s insertion site reciprocally loops with the co-regulated 6-gene cluster. Conserved feature (°) shows that the co-regulated gene cluster loops across the entire 6-gene cluster.



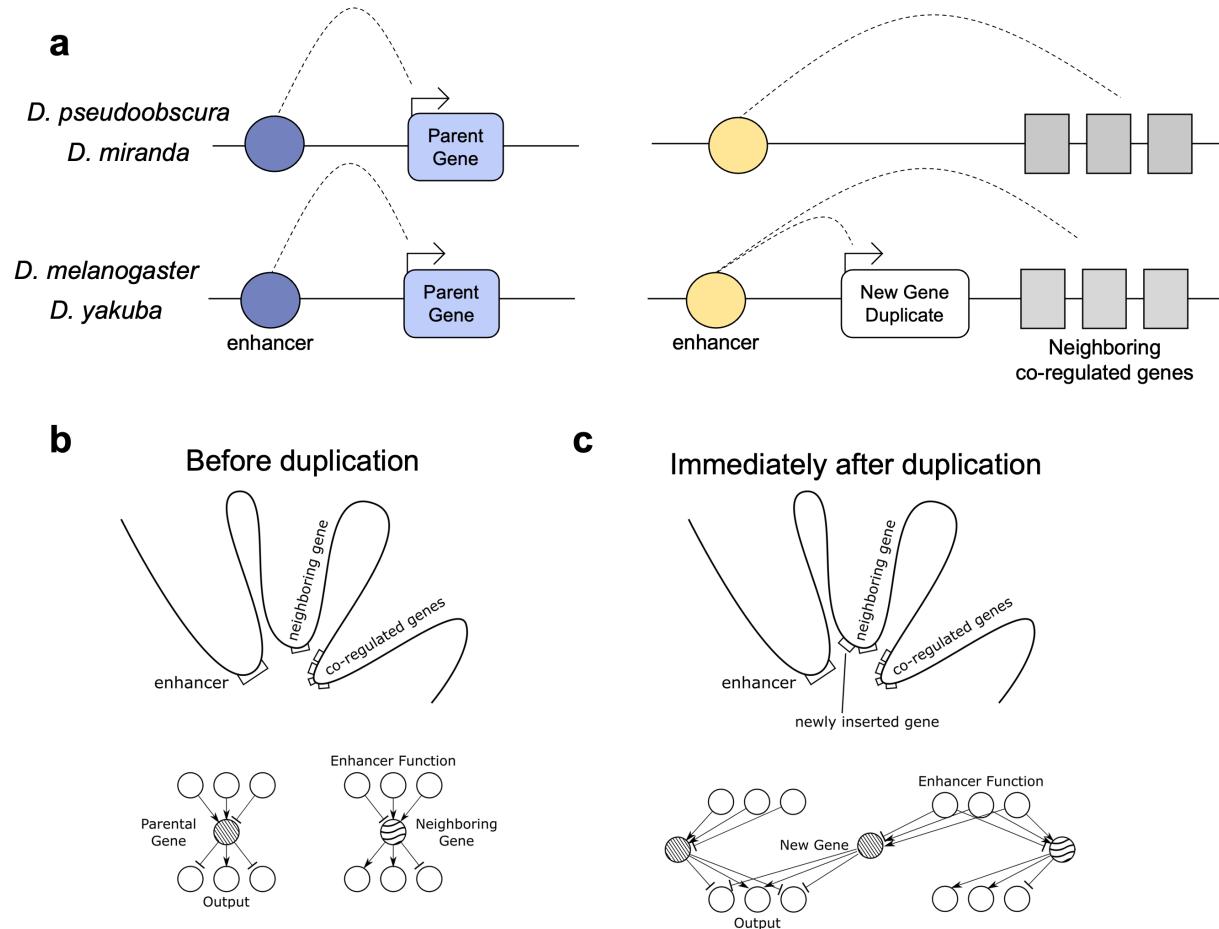
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**Figure 5. FLEE1 encodes a larval, salivary gland enhancer.** Green, GFP. White, DAPI (DNA). sg = salivary gland. fb = fat body. The FLEE1 putative enhancer was tested for enhancer activity in third instar larvae using the pGreenRabbit reporter vector. (a-c) Basal GFP reporter expression from an empty reporter vector in a third instar salivary gland and fat body. (d-f) GFP reporter expression directed by FLEE1 in the salivary gland, with minimal expression in the fat body.



**Figure 6. Regulation of *HP6/Umbrea* locus is ancestral.** scRNA-Seq data from *D. melanogaster*, *D. yakuba* (both containing *HP6/Umbrea*) and *D. ananassae* (pre-dating *HP6/Umbrea* origination) are mapped to the same manifold and visualized. **(a)** Pre-existing data from and their corresponding labels from prior studies were included, allowing for precise identification of somatic (cyst, hub, and epithelial cells) and developmental (germline stem cell (GSC)/early spermatogonia, late spermatogonia, early and late spermatocyte, and early and late spermatid) cell type clusters both within and across species. The developmental trajectory of spermatogenesis is indicated using lines and arrows. **(b)** Expression data from *HP6/Umbrea* and the co-expression cluster of genes are plotted for all three species. While the bulk of expression in early spermatids is generally conserved within and across species for *HP6/Umbrea* (when present), *CG11929*, *Taf12L*, and *CG15631*, finer cell type-specific expression patterns (red arrows) are also conserved for these genes within each species, indicating conservation of co-regulation pre-dating the insertion of *HP6/Umbrea*. Furthermore, low levels of GSC/early spermatogonia-restricted expression of *Elba3* and *CG3251* are also conserved across species. Interestingly, *CG42523* shares the same cell type-specific expression patterns as *CG11929*, *Elba3*, and *CG15631* in *D. ananassae*, but diverges in expression both in *D. yakuba* and *D. melanogaster*.

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**Figure 7. The 3D organization of the genome allows for rapid rearrangement of genetic networks.** Panel (a) depicts a cartoon illustration of the action of the larval enhancer on the neighboring cluster of co-regulated genes as well as the future insertion site of *HP6/Umbrea*. Preceding insertion of *HP6/Umbrea*, the larval enhancer was in contact with both *HP6/Umbrea*'s neighboring gene as well as with the co-regulated 6-gene cluster. (b, c) This looping structure remains conserved following *HP6/Umbrea*'s insertion, allowing for a rapid recombination of elements upstream of *HP6/Umbrea*'s neighboring gene (i.e., larval enhancer) with elements downstream of *HP6/Umbrea*'s parental gene (i.e., *HP1b*'s protein function). A sample gene interaction network, both pre- & post- duplication, is also depicted above. Note that the parental gene and neighboring gene's original interactions remain intact, preserving previous function.

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1136 **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

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1138 **Prior Models and Genomic Symmetries**

1139 The first models describing new gene evolution proposed that all new genes likely evolve  
1140 via duplication-based mechanisms (1, 2), including: the duplication, divergence, complementation  
1141 (DDC)/sub-functionalization model (3), the escape from adaptive conflict (EAC) model (4), the  
1142 innovation, amplification, and divergence (IAD) model. To address how a duplicate, redundant  
1143 gene copy may rise to fixation, these models all assume multiple functions for any studied gene.  
1144 In the DDC (sub-functionalization) model, symmetric (identical) copies of a duplicated gene lose  
1145 function in complementary fashion, resulting in retention of duplicate gene copies with separate  
1146 but complementary functions. While the DDC model allows each duplicate copy to possess a  
1147 subset of the parental gene's original functions, the EAC model allows for increased optimization  
1148 of one or more of the original parental gene's functions that are partitioned to each paralogous  
1149 copy. The EAC model assumes internal genetic conflict within the parental gene preventing  
1150 simultaneous optimization of its multiple functions, and duplication thus allows for the resolution  
1151 of this evolutionary constraint, conferring a selective advantage in both parental and new genes.  
1152 While the DDC and EAC models can explain how prior gene functions can be partitioned amongst  
1153 duplicate copies, these models both assume that newly evolved duplicated genes can only retain  
1154 pre-existing, essential functions from their parental genes and thus fail to describe a mechanism  
1155 for how truly novel gene function emerges. In contrast, the IAD model proposes that changes in  
1156 selection pressures may favor the increased expression of a given gene with an auxiliary function.  
1157 This provides a selective advantage for increased gene dosage through an increase in gene copy  
1158 number. Following the initial increase of auxiliary function through gene amplification,  
1159 subsequent relaxation of selection pressure will allow for changes to accumulate on the various  
1160 copies, allowing the new copies to diverge and potentially gain a new function (5). While the IAD  
1161 model provides a solution for Ohno's dilemma for gene family expansions in microbial organisms  
1162 while encountering environmental changes (6), the model cannot be applied to metazoans due to  
1163 often conflict effects for same genes in different tissues or cells.

1164 A key factor missing in these previous models is the effect of chromosomal and regulatory  
1165 context on a gene duplicate's function and spatiotemporal expression. In the DDC, EAC and IAD  
1166 models, the evolution of new gene duplicates is assumed to occur in a regulatory-independent  
1167 context and do not describe how the regulatory sequences may shape the evolution of a new gene  
1168 duplicate. Here, we explain how the regulatory context can promote neofunctionalization of newly  
1169 duplicated genes through the enhancer-capture divergence (ECD) model. In the ECD model, the  
1170 duplication of a pre-existing gene into a new regulatory context through a preexisting 3-  
1171 dimensional (3D) genome structure results in unique expression pattern from that of its parent  
1172 gene controlled by a combination of regulatory elements from both the native and new contexts.  
1173 The single-step evolutionary process of ECD thus allows for rapid neofunctionalization and is  
1174 dependent on the regulatory architecture of the three-dimensional eukaryotic genome.

1175 Similar to the IAD model, the ECD model first proposes that selective pressures change for the  
1176 increased expression of a pre-existing (parental) gene within a specific tissue or set of tissues. To  
1177 achieve this, there are two possible scenarios: 1) the evolution of a new enhancer in the parental  
1178 gene's locus, either through duplication or substitution, or in the case of the ECD model, 2) the  
1179 duplication of the parental gene into a distal region of the genome that is already under the control  
1180 of a pre-existing, tissue-specific enhancer. While the first scenario is possible, this would require  
1181 multiple neutral *de novo* substitutions or insertions to generate one or more necessary transcription

1182 factor binding sites that fix within a population and modulates the expression of the new gene  
1183 duplicate without disrupting parent gene's expression pattern.

1184 In the second scenario under *enhancer capture*, the duplication of the parental gene into another  
1185 regulatory environment under the control of a pre-existing, tissue-specific enhancer is a solution  
1186 that requires far fewer genomic changes and can occur in a single step. As the new selection  
1187 pressures recur, the duplicate copy that is under new regulatory control will increase in frequency  
1188 in the population, allowing it to fix. If the selection pressures change such that the increased tissue-  
1189 specific expression of the new gene is no longer advantageous or compensatory mutations appear  
1190 in the original parent locus, selective pressures will relax on the new gene copy allowing for  
1191 *divergence*. While loss of the new gene copy by drift or negative selection is one possible fate, if  
1192 the duplicate gene copy is at high enough frequency within a population, substitutions may  
1193 accumulate and result in the gain of new, tissue-specific function.

1194 There are several distinctions between the ECD model and previously classic models of gene  
1195 duplication. First, the DDC, EAC and IAD models do not consider the effect of the pre-existing  
1196 regulatory and chromosomal environment on a new, distally duplicated gene. Second, compared  
1197 to the DDC and EAC models but like IAD, the ECD model is a single-step process in which the  
1198 initial duplication event provides a selective advantage. However, unlike IAD, a duplicate gene  
1199 copy can immediately integrate into a tissue-specific regulatory network separate from that of its  
1200 parent under ECD, providing a fast evolutionary solution to "Ohno's Dilemma." A final and  
1201 critical distinction between the ECD model and previous classical models, to address the dilemma,  
1202 is that they explain the evolution and retention of different classes of gene duplications. The  
1203 previous models are symmetric models of duplication-based evolution which assume that the  
1204 original parental gene function is randomly partitioned or entirely retained between identical  
1205 duplicate copies, making parent and new gene copies indistinguishable from one another. A similar  
1206 genomic symmetry is also seen in tandem duplications, where duplicate copies cannot be  
1207 definitively identified as the "parent" or "new" gene copy through synteny. As a result, the DDC,  
1208 EAC, and IAD models provide reasonable mechanistic explanations for why a large number of  
1209 duplicate gene copies are retained, applying particularly well to tandem and other symmetric gene  
1210 duplications. However, these previous models do not consider the role of regulatory and  
1211 chromosomal context on newly evolved, asymmetric duplicates and thus cannot explain the  
1212 origination of a large number of evolutionarily important genes.

1213 Genes evolving under ECD are asymmetric, as the parental gene remains in its original locus  
1214 while the new copy resides in a distal region of the genome under the control of a different, pre-  
1215 existing regulatory context. This genomic asymmetry allows for clear distinction between parent  
1216 and new gene copies through synteny. A similar asymmetry is also seen in protein and regulatory  
1217 function, where the parent gene retains its entire function and spatiotemporal expression pattern,  
1218 while the auxiliary tissue-specific function and expression pattern is restricted to the new gene  
1219 copy. The asymmetry of both 1) distinguishable gene identity and 2) segregation of expression  
1220 and function is a key feature of the ECD model that distinguishes it from the DDC, EAC and IAC  
1221 models, and allows for clear identification of genes that evolved under enhancer capture and the  
1222 application of genomic tests regarding retention of essential gene function. We utilize these  
1223 features of the ECD model to show a statistical enrichment of distally duplicated genes that have  
1224 evolved via enhancer capture-divergence within *Drosophila melanogaster*. Under the ECD model,  
1225 we predict that newly evolved genes will be enriched for two elements: 1) we predict high degrees  
1226 of co-expression with neighboring genes combined with low co-expression with its parent gene  
1227 and 2) we predict that genes evolving under ECD should originate as non-essential, as all essential

1228 function should be asymmetrically retained by the parent gene while the auxiliary, non-essential  
1229 function is retained in the new copy. As the ECD process can occur in a single step in a 3D world  
1230 of genome, we also predict that the enhancer capture process should be a key mechanism for the  
1231 evolution of distally duplicated genes alongside the DDC, EAC, and IAD models due to its rapid  
1232 evolvability. This is supported by the observation that gene duplication occurs more frequently  
1233 than point mutation (5, 6), where ECD requires fewer genomic alterations than the *de novo*  
1234 evolution of a new enhancer via substitution.

1235 Under the IAD model, a full duplication of the parent gene function and expression pattern  
1236 drives the duplicate copies to fixation as it provides the most evolvable solution to new conditions.  
1237 In contrast, under the enhancer capture-divergence model, a copy of the parent gene duplicates  
1238 into a region of the genome containing an active enhancer(s) that modulates the new gene copy's  
1239 expression in a tissue-specific manner. Alternatively, the new gene may duplicate into an inactive  
1240 region of the genome containing unbound transcription factor binding sites, thus activating a  
1241 previously inert non-coding sequence into a *de novo* enhancer.

1242 Compared to the tissue-specific nature of genes evolving under the ECD model, genes evolving  
1243 under the IAD model are over-expressed in all tissues, as they are assumed to take on the parent  
1244 gene expression pattern. We therefore predict that enhancer capture will be more dominant than  
1245 the IAD model for asymmetrically duplicated genes within multicellular organisms, as it avoids  
1246 the potentially deleterious effects of increased dosage in multiple tissues resulting from full  
1247 duplication. However, we stress that the IAD model is likely to drive the evolution of a large  
1248 number of tandem duplicates as well as a subset of asymmetrically duplicates where the  
1249 recruitment of pre-existing regulatory elements is unlikely. This increase in fitness caused by the  
1250 combined output of the new and parental genes thus drives the new gene copy to fixation,  
1251 providing an alternate resolution to Ohno's Dilemma than the IAD model. Once the tissue-specific  
1252 selection for the new gene is relaxed, the new gene may then begin to diverge, accumulating  
1253 substitutions.

1254 Some classes of new genes will continue to evolve under the IAD, DDC, and EAC models.  
1255 However, the relationships of new genes with their parent genes and neighboring genes differ in  
1256 expression between those evolving under those previous models and our ECD model, allowing for  
1257 direct testing of the ECD mechanism as a driver of newly evolved genes. Under the DDC or EAC  
1258 models, the tissue expression patterns of parental and new genes are complementary, resulting in  
1259 low co-expression between parental and new gene copies ("parental co-expression"). Since new  
1260 gene evolution under the DDC and EAC models is assumed to occur in a regulatory-independent  
1261 context, the tissue expression patterns of the new gene and its neighboring genes should have no  
1262 relationship, resulting in random co-expression between the new gene and its neighboring gene  
1263 ("neighboring co-expression"). Under the IAD model, genes and their upstream regulatory  
1264 sequences are fully duplicated, which predicts a high co-expression between the parent and new  
1265 gene copies, while the new gene copy and its neighboring genes should have low co-expression.  
1266 In the enhancer capture-divergence model, the parent gene is predicted to be more broadly  
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1268 of one or more tissue-specific enhancers. Here, parental genes are expected to have broad tissue  
1269 expression patterns, while new genes have expression patterns with high tissue specificity,  
1270 resulting in low parental co-expression. On the other hand, since the new gene becomes regulated  
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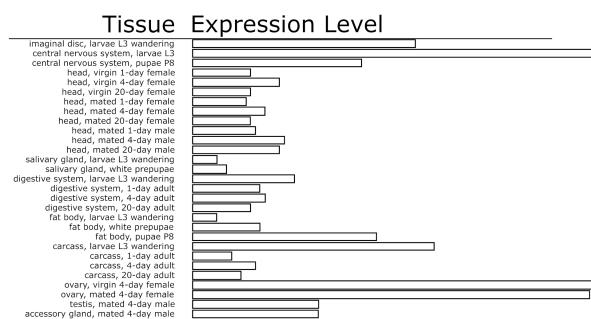
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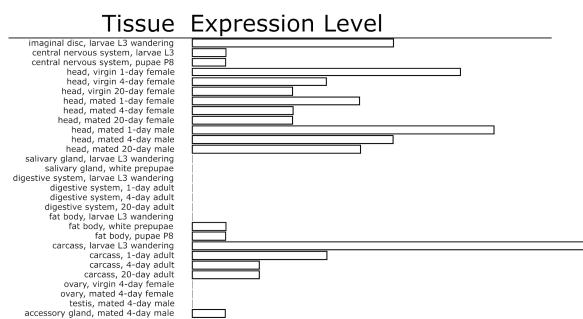
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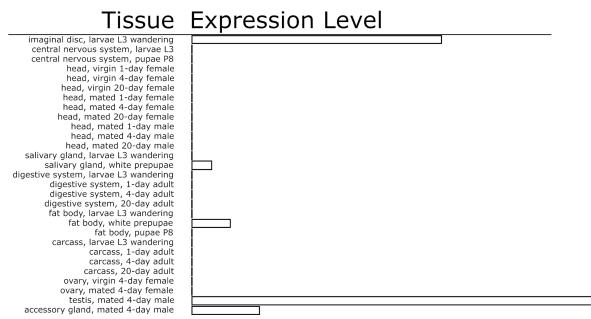
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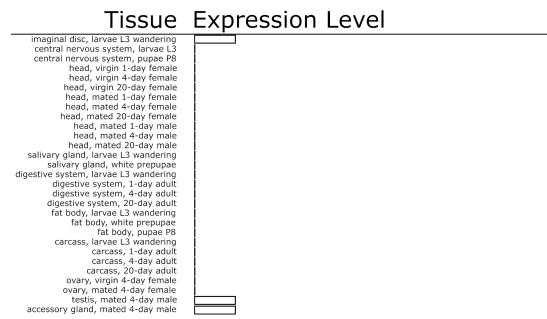
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## HP6/Umbrea



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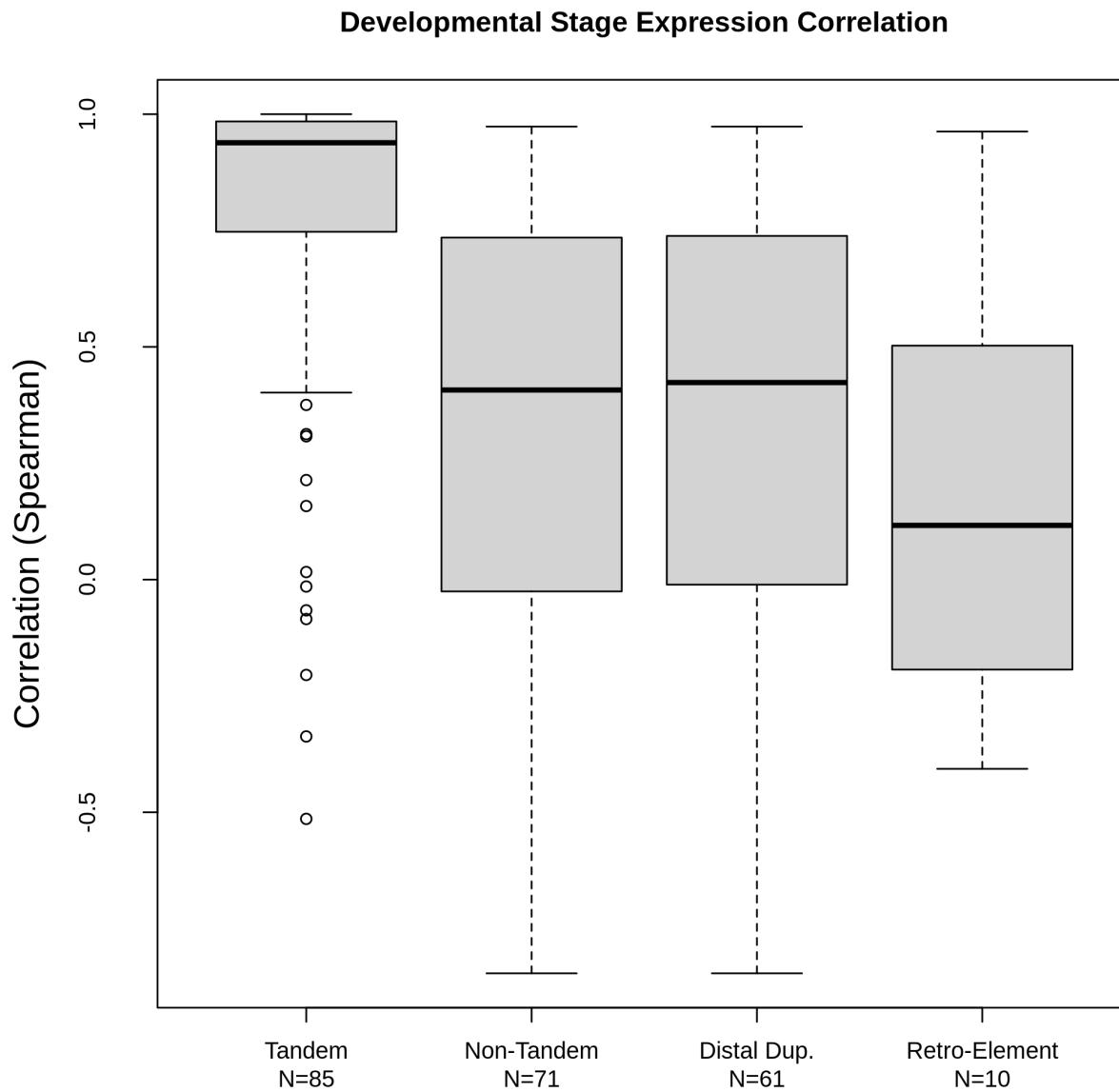


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1289 **Figure S1. Expression patterns of HP6/Umbrea and other genes.** Unlike the broad expression pattern of parental  
 1290 gene *HP1b*, the tissue expression pattern of *HP6/Umbrea* is stereotypical of new gene expression patterns, with high  
 1291 tissue specificity, restricted in this case to primarily the imaginal discs, larval salivary glands, and male reproductive  
 1292 organs. While *HP6/Umbrea* was inserted into an intronic region of the larger gene *dump*, *HP6/Umbrea*'s expression  
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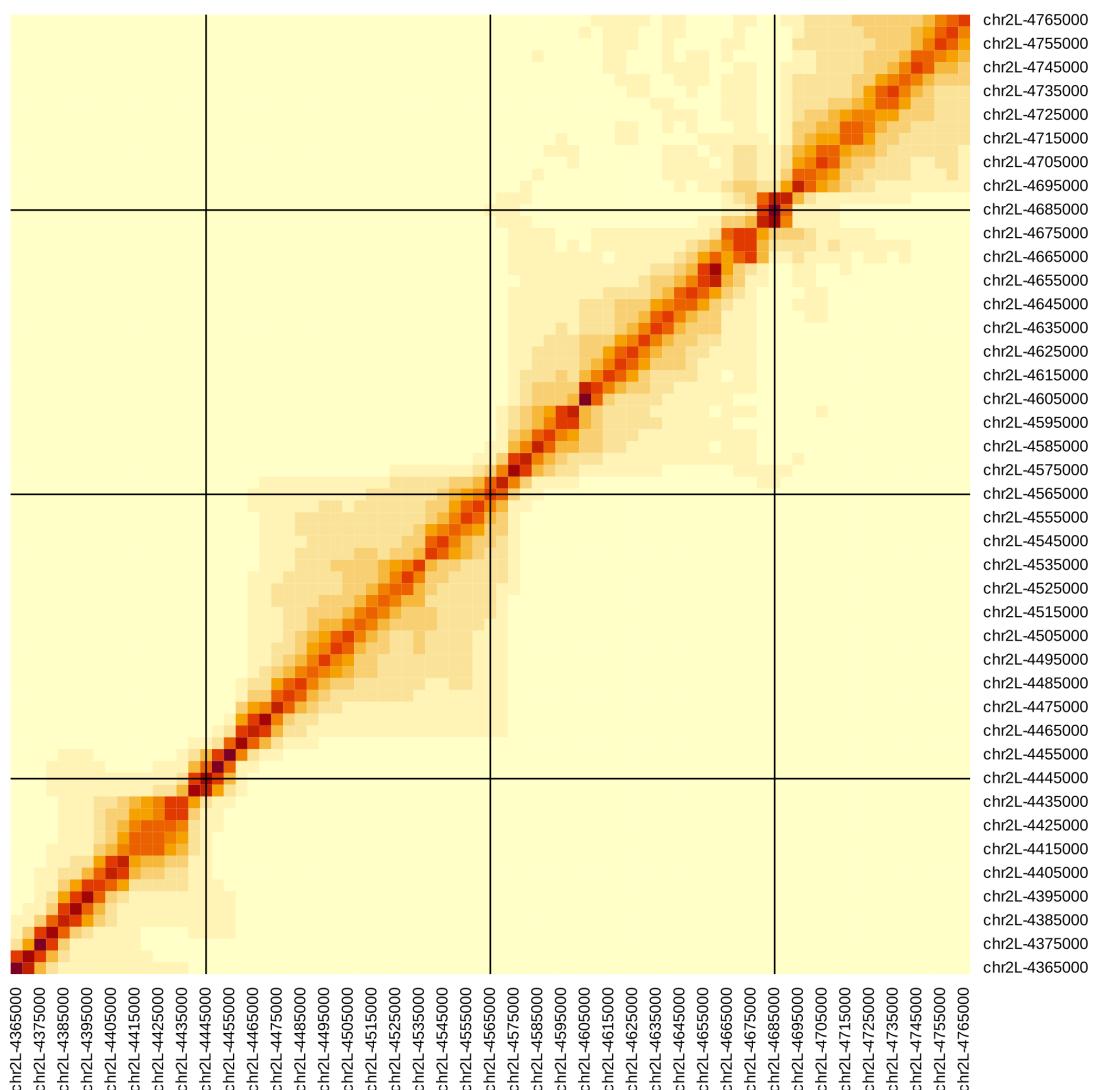
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**Figure S2. Enhancer Capture-Divergence drives regulatory neo-functionalization of new duplicate genes.**  
Parental and new gene co-expression for new duplicate genes arising by tandem, distal duplicates, retro-transposons, and non-tandem (distal + retro-transposons) duplicates were calculated using gene expression data for 30 developmental stages in *D. melanogaster* (“developmental co-expression”). The development co-expression of non-tandem duplicates was significantly lower than the developmental co-expression of tandem duplicates ( $p=3.45 \times 10^{-10}$ ) as well as distal duplicates and retro-transposons alone (distal:  $p=8.99 \times 10^{-9}$ , retro-transposition:  $p=5.41 \times 10^{-3}$ ). These combined results demonstrate how Enhancer Capture-Divergence is a significant driver of regulatory neo-functionalization in new duplicate genes, which cannot be explained by symmetric models of new duplicate gene evolution.

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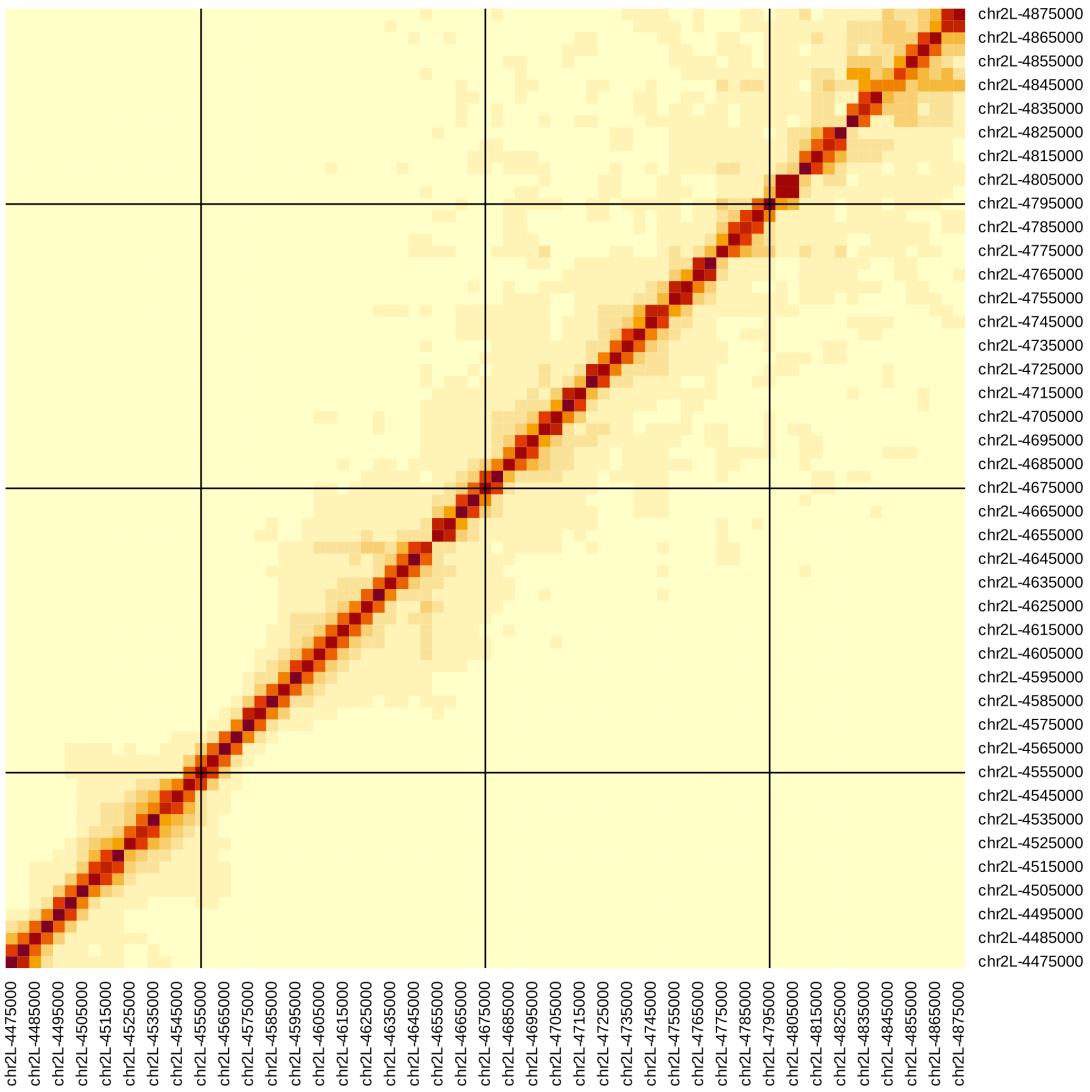


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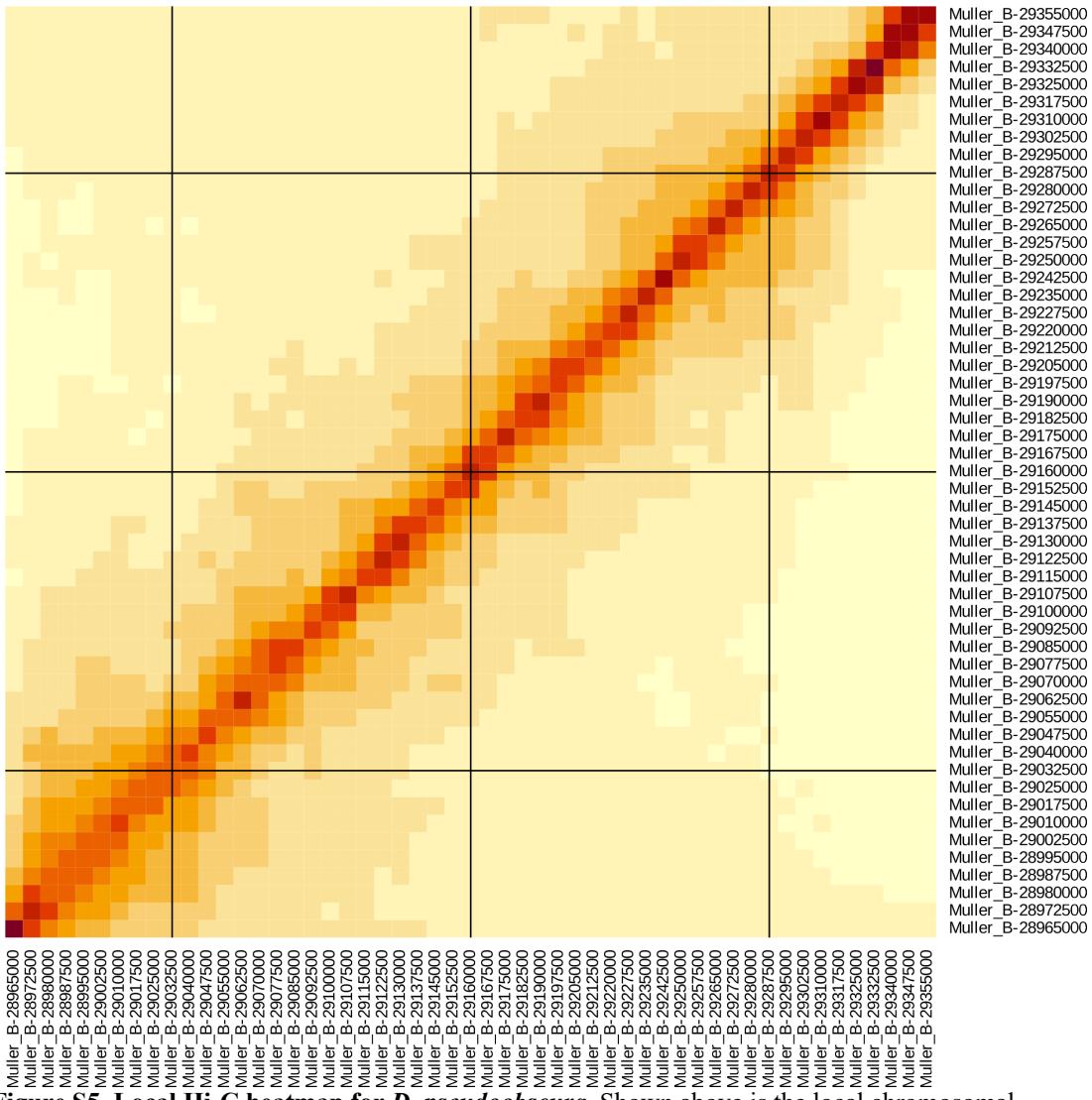
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**Figure S3. Local Hi-C heatmap for *D. melanogaster*.** Shown above is the local chromosomal configuration of chromosome 2L in the vicinity of *HP6/Umbrea* (chr2L:4570000, center).

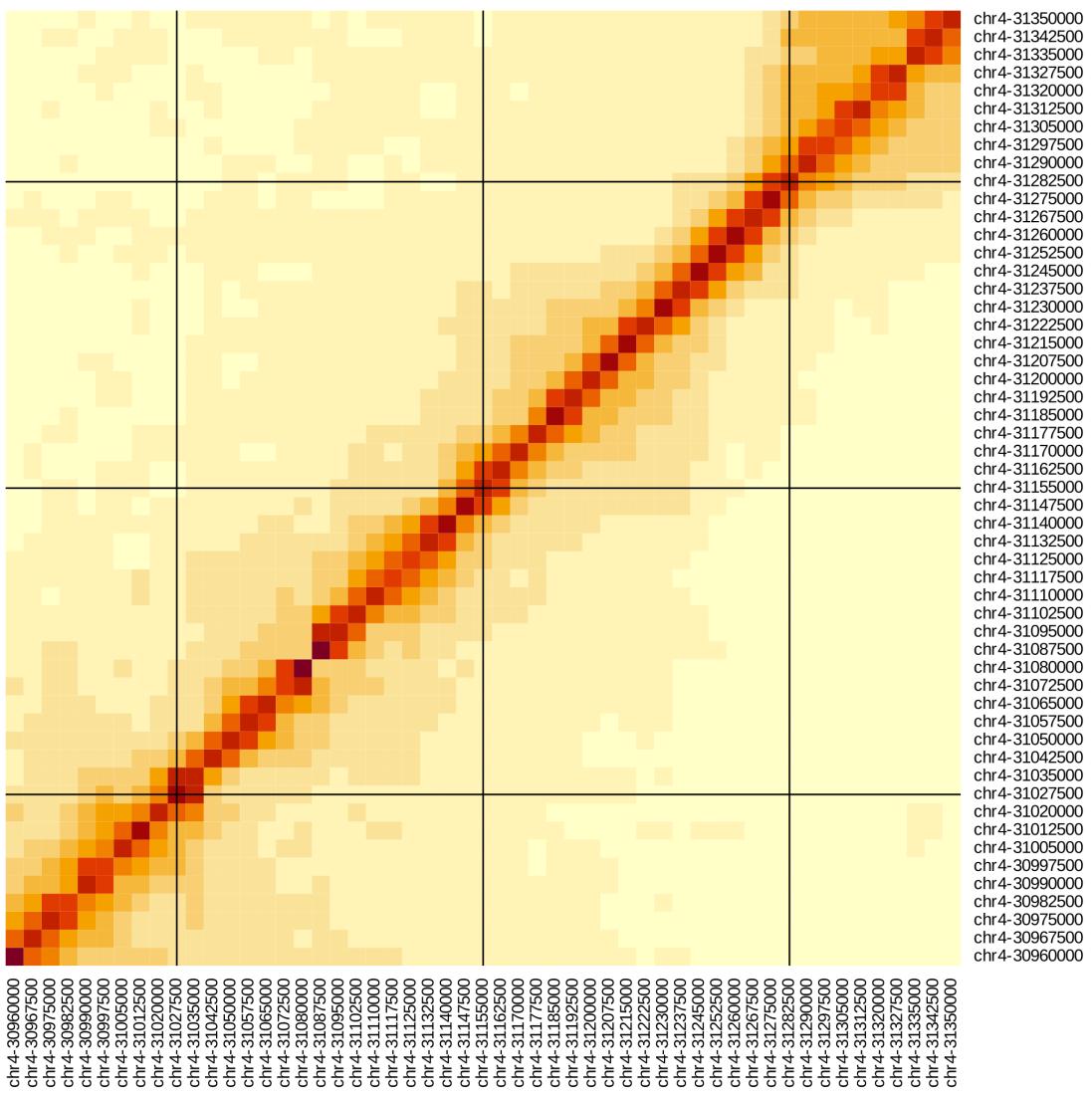


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**Figure S4. Local Hi-C heatmap for *D. yakuba*.** Shown above is the local chromosomal configuration of chromosome 2L in the vicinity of *HP6/Umbrea* (chr2L:4680000, center).



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1315 **Figure S5. Local Hi-C heatmap for *D. pseudoobscura*.** Shown above is the local chromosomal  
1316 configuration of Muller Element B in the vicinity of *HP6/Umbrea*'s future insertion site (Muller  
1317 B:29165000, center). Note a large-scale chromosomal inversion event occurred between *D. melanogaster*  
1318 and *D. pseudoobscura* (not shown).

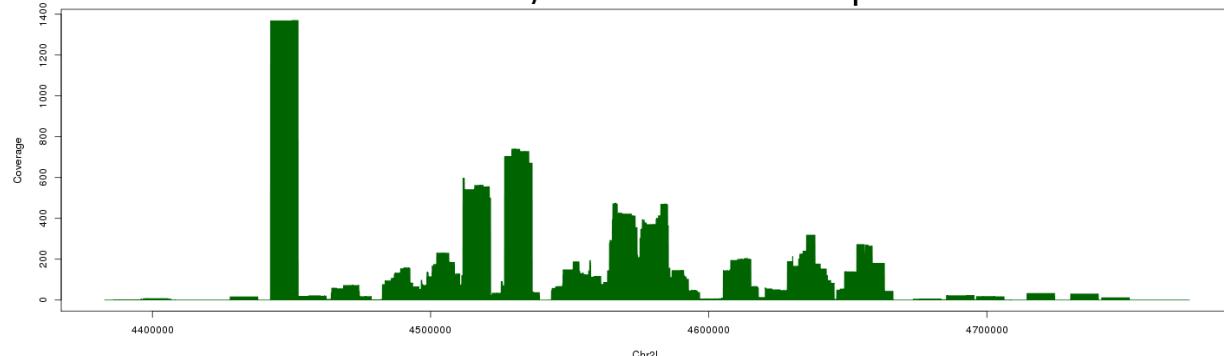


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**Figure S6. Local Hi-C heatmap for *D. miranda*.** Shown above is the local chromosomal configuration of chromosome 4 in the vicinity of *HP6/Umbrea*'s future insertion site (chr4:31160000, center).

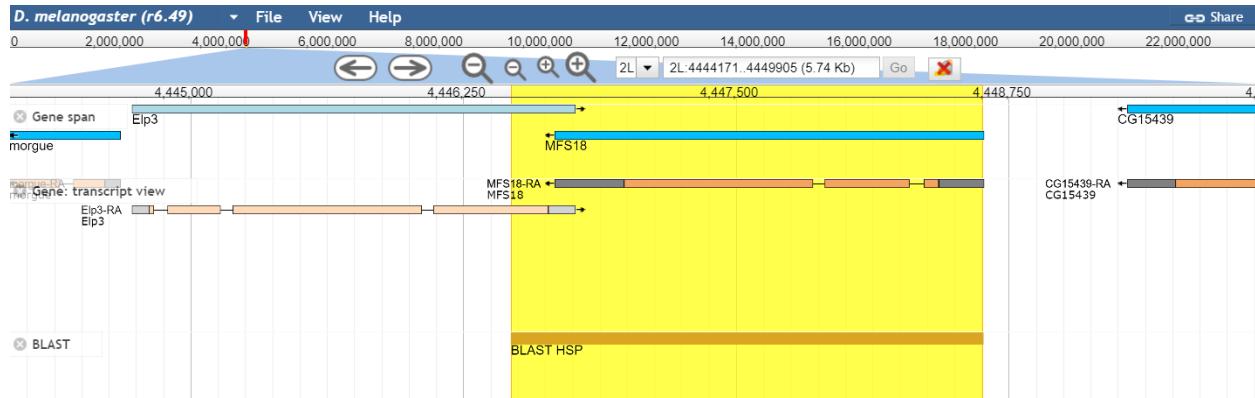
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### HP6/Umbrea 4C-Seq

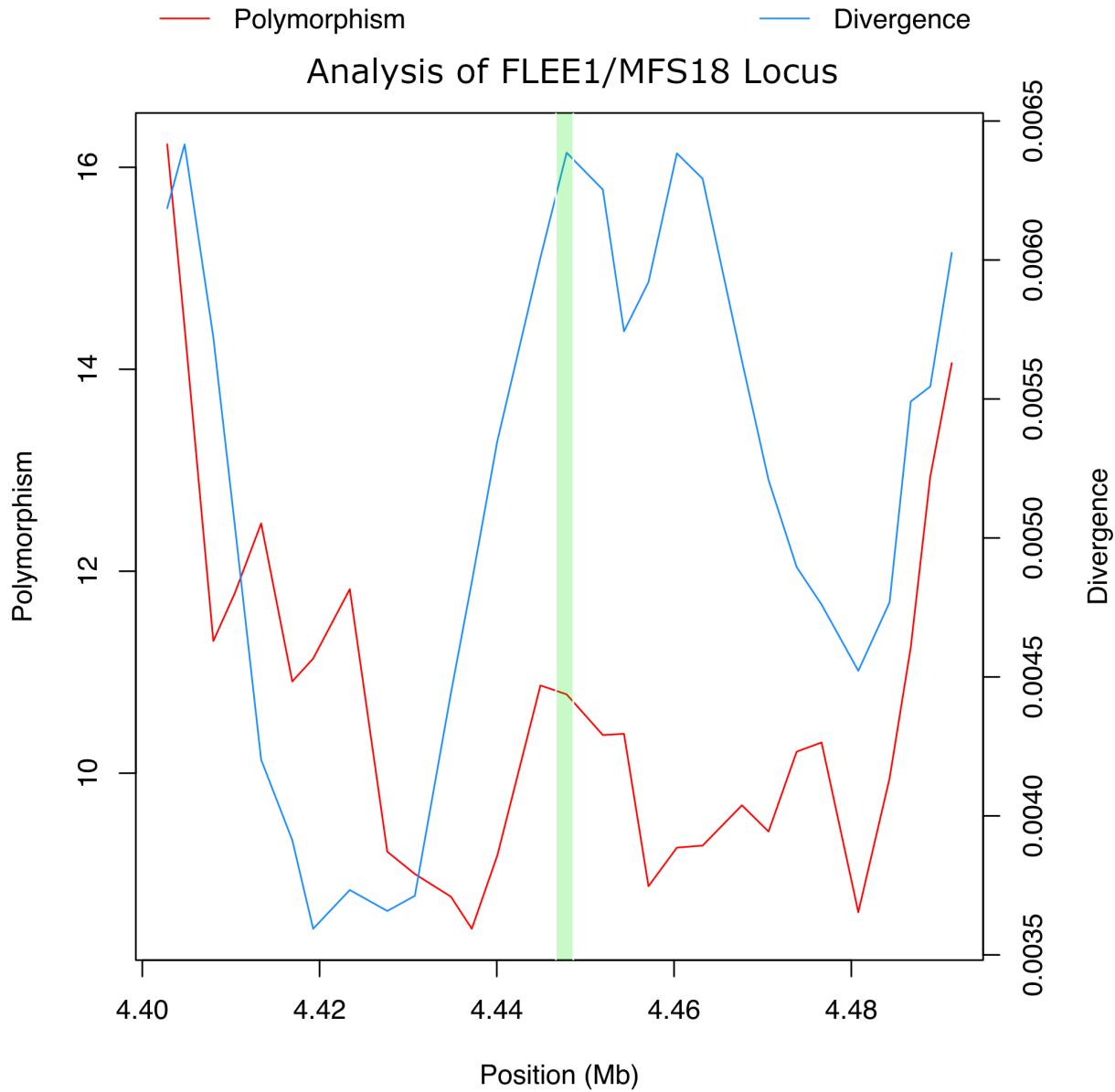


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**Figure S7. 4C-Seq in *D. melanogaster*.** Shown above are raw read coverage results from 4C-Seq derived from *D. melanogaster* larval tissue with self-self interactions removed, centered on HP6/Umbrea. The strong peak on the left shows the location of FLEE1.



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1330 **Figure S8. FLEE1 is located within exonic sequence.** The FlyBase gene track and transcript view for FLEE1  
1331 shows that it is contained nearly entirely within the coding sequences of *MFS18* and *Eip3* on chromosome 2L.  
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1334 **Figure S9. Polymorphism and divergence in FLEE1/MFS18 locus.** Polymorphism and divergence calculations  
1335 on chromosome 2L with a 2.5kb window, with the *MFS18* locus highlighted in green, show how the relative number  
1336 of polymorphisms is low when compared to sequence divergence.  
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1338 **File S1. Sequence for FLEE1 enhancer.** Sequence for the cloned FLEE1 element in FASTA format.  
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1374 **Table S1. Co-expression and essentiality data for newly evolved distal duplicates.** Data for each new  
 1375 gene/parent gene pair with parental coexpression, maximal neighboring coexpression, and essentiality data reported.  
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CG33459	CG30090	0.510544	0.170643	essential
CG5372	CG8095	0.533216	0.100566	essential
CG3347	CG17440	0.690522	0.917109	essential
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CG17802	CG17806	0.754936	0.754936	essential
CG30395	CG15040	0.564165	0.503847	essential
CG8664	CG5107	0.739614	-0.02909	essential
CG4477	CG18223	0.991723	0.87925	essential
CG4907	CG13978	0.473646	0.90807	essential
CG31509	CG31508	0.568805	0.351047	essential
CG33109	CG16826	0.863108	0.855139	essential
CG5609	CG31508	0.568805	0.025656	essential
CG4259	CG3117	0.310205	0.370675	essential
CG6289	CG6663	0.896926	0.896926	essential
CG1736	CG9327	0.476144	0.31898	essential
CG2826	CG13686	0.611623	0.840596	essential
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CG11597	CG32505	0.294694	0.434793	essential
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CG11466	CG4486	0.755441	0.854113	essential
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CG31791	CG31801	0.858564	0.726142	essential
CG32588	CG33252	0.770768	0.809965	essential
CG15527	CG2998	0.546119	0.011347	essential
CG13686	CG2839	0.727607	0.652654	essential
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CG15636	CG7041	0.818182	0.087641	non_essential

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1378 **Movie S1. Live GFP expression.** Video of live larvae with FLEE1 under the control of an enhancer-reporter  
1379 vector. Expression is seen restricted to the larval salivary glands. (MovieS1.mp4)