

other initial media.

One hundred eye-antennal discs isolated from Oregon-R larvae yielded about 4×10^5 single cells, whereas one hundred wing discs from the same strain produced about 4.5×10^5 cells. One hundred eye-antennal discs from Bar larvae yielded about 3×10^5 cells by the same procedure.

When single cell suspensions each containing 10^5 cells in 0.3 ml medium were introduced into tightly covered micro-beakers, rotated on a gyratory shaker for 24 hours at 100 rpm at 28°C, tissue-like cell aggregates were reconstituted in the center of the micro-beakers. Cell aggregates obtained from eye-antennal disc cells of the Oregon-R strain had an average diameter of 0.6 mm, whereas eye-antennal disc cells from the Bar strain formed smaller and looser aggregates of an average diameter of 0.4 mm. In the staining preparations of the aggregates ommatidium-forming cells formed some cell clusters, which were separated and sorted out from those of antenna-forming cells.

Wing disc cells from the Oregon-R strain formed after 24 hours of rotation aggregates of 0.5 mm in diameter which showed a characteristic structure different from that of eye-antennal disc cells. The differences in histogenesis and organogenesis of different imaginal discs are now further studied.

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effects of hydrogen fluoride on *D.*
melanogaster.

Wild type (Oregon-R) *D. melanogaster* males were subjected to hydrogen fluoride gas and crossed to untreated Oregon-R virgin females and to tester virgin females of the genotype Pm dp b/Cy sp²; Sb/D CxF. Salivary gland chromosomes smears of the F₁ larvae from the first cross indicated the presence

of chromosomal aberrations such as duplications, deficiencies and inversions. The second cross has been used to determine the induction of subvital, semi-lethal and lethal mutations on the second chromosome.

Abrahamson, S., W. C. Kiriazis and E. M. Sabol. Dept. of Zoology, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Wisconsin. A Storage Effect of Ethyl Methane Sulfonate (EMS) on the Induction of Translocations in *Drosophila Sperm*.

Experiments were performed to determine the effect of EMS, a monofunctional alkylating chemical, on the induction of translocations, including mosaic translocations, in fresh mature sperm and stored mature sperm.

Oregon-R males aged for 5-6 days were fed a 0.0125 M solution of EMS for 24 hours (following procedures of Lewis and Bacher). These males were mated to bw/bw;e/e ♀♀ for 24 hours and then discarded. The females were allowed to lay eggs for 2 more days, and then transferred to non-yeasted media. After 10 more days the females were transferred back to yeasted media and allowed to lay for 3 days. Progeny obtained from the first three days of egg laying were products of fresh mature sperm; progeny recovered from the last brood were products of stored mature sperm. The F₁ males containing the treated chromosomes (wild-type males) were mated singly to bw/bw;e/e ♀♀. The F₂ cultures were screened for translocations. Six to ten wild-type males from each normal F₂ culture, those not exhibiting translocations, were further tested for mosaic translocations by single pair matings with bw/bw;e/e ♀♀.

One Y-2 translocation was recovered from 271 fertile cultures from fresh mature sperm. Although only 20 vials were fertile in the stored mature sperm test, three 2-3 translocations were recovered, giving a translocation frequency of 0.15. This is a remarkable increase over the translocation frequency of 0.004 obtained in the fresh mature sperm test.

No mosaic translocations were recovered after testing 6-10 males from each of 110 F₂ normal cultures from fresh sperm nor from the 17 aged sperm cultures. However, two other kinds of mosaics were observed in the stored sperm test. Among the progeny of the 6 males from F₂ normal culture #7 two of these vials showed that bw/bw ♂♂ & ♀♀, bw/bw;e/e ♂♂ & ♀♀, and +/+ ♀♀ all