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Cyclin + CDK (MPF) - induce entry into meiosis in frog eggs
Maller and Lohka, 1988
Cyclin dependent Kinase Cdk: catalytic component Cdk: catalytic component













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- CDKs play an important role- a single one may rule the process, but tissue specificity is ensured by others
- Protein degradation is an important way of ensuring irreversibility
- Is there a minimal cell cycle? Manipulating the activity of a single CDK is able to drive it! Synthetic biology approaches may help us in these questions! Also comparative genomics.

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Are centrioles needed for cell division?

Flies without Centrioles

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• Importance of centrioles: their functions- Perhaps most important function is to make flagella/cilia- more to discuss in conference talk

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Summary

- Perspectives on the Cell Cycle and the ancestral machinery
- Importance of centrioles: their functions- ancestral function is likely to be flagella but more to discuss during conference
- Centrioles & Cancer: they may have several roles... but we know little at this point
- Centriole Biogenesis & Number Control: how PLK4
 plays an important role in triggering and regulating
 centriole number

