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Courtship song in Drosophila

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The function and overview of courtship song

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Courtship ritual and neural sex determination in Drosophila

Daisuke Yamamoto and Kosei Sato and Masayuki Koganezawa. (2014)



Elements of *Drosophila* male (left) and female (right) mating decisions Generation

Barry J. Dickson. (2008)

The discovery of courtship songs

> Science. 1962 Aug 31;137(3531):677-8. doi: 10.1126/science.137.3531.677.

Nature of the Sound Produced by Drosophila melanogaster during Courtship

H H Shorey

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Abstract

The wing vibrations of courting male Drosophila melanogaster Meigen produced pulsations of sound, with each pulse apparently caused by 1 to 2 cycles of wing movement. The average repetition rate at 25 degrees C was 29.8 pulses per second. The rate was dependent on temperature, increasing at 1.4 pulses per additional degree Celsius.



Oscilloscope records of the songs of males of *D. simulans*, *D. melanogaster*, and their hybrid



Table III. "Interpulse Intervals" in Courtship Song and Wingbeat Frequency in Flight of the Males of the Two Species and Their Hybrid

	$\rm Ipi~\pm SE$	Wingbeat frequency \pm SE (cycles/sec)	
D. melanogaster	34.6 ± 0.4	218.3 ± 2.4	
D. simulans	48.7 ± 1.2	252.7 ± 2.9	
\mathbf{Hybrid}	47.7 ± 1.2	$240.6~\pm~2.6$	

Florian von Schilcher and Aubrey Manning, (1975)

Courtship Song components of Males



Regulation of courtship song

- Female movement



Alexander R. Trott, et al., (2012)

How courtship song are regulated by female cues?



Why did we study courtship songs?



Courtship song in Drosophila melanogaster: a differential effect on male and female

The role of courtship song for female

— Copulation

and Controls ^a				
Male	Female	Fraction copulating	Percentage copulating*	
CS	CS	53/75	71 ^{<i>a.b</i>}	
rsd	CS	2/75	30	
CS (wingless)	CS	4/50	8	
rsd (wingless)	CS	1/50	2	
CS	rsd	69/75	$92^{a,d}$	
CS	rsd (BG)	67/75	89 ^b	
rsd	rsd	13/75	17°	
CS (wingless)	rsd	10/50	20^{d}	
rsd (wingless)	rsd	9/50	18	

Table I. Thirty-Minute Copulation Percentages of *rsd* Flies and Controls^o

Scott P. McRobert, Fred B. Sehnee and Laurie Tompkins, (1995)



Fanny Rybak, et al., (2002)



Comparison of the love song components of mature males





Motomichi Doi, et al., (2001)

How species-specific songs are detected and recognized, a goal that has yet to be achieved in any species.

The role of courtship song for female

— Locomotion

Experimental apparatus designed to study courtship song of Drosophila melanogaster



Solange Kowalski, Thierry Aubin, and Jean-René Martin., (2004)

MTA and MMD of *D. melanogaster* females for the two recording periods(with male)



How do courtship song affect female receptivity?



The role of courtship song for male(alone)



The role of courtship song for male

- Chaining behavior



Zhou C, et al., (2015)

Intersectional labeling of auditory neurons



Inactivation of second- and third-order auditory neurons reduced chaining responses to pulse song



Calcium responses of vPN1 neurons to courtship song



The role of pC1 dsx neurons in song perception



The aPN1-vPN1-pC1 pathway is functionally interconnected



The role of courtship song for male — Aggression



Female Drosophila sing a sex specific song during copulation



Peter Kerwin, et al., (2020)

Female copulation song decreases remating



Summary

- Courtship songs were mainly composed of pulse song and sine song, and its function is dominated by pulse song
- Courtship songs are involved in regulating a variety of behaviors, such as sexual behavior, aggression and locomotion
- > Female *Drosophila* sing a copulation song to reduce remating



Generation of Drosophila courtship song

Chen Jiangtao 2022/03/31

Content

1. How to **initiate** a courtship song?

Female stimulation; Motion feedback

2. How to **decide** a courtship song?

Neuronal control

3. How to **perform** a courtship song?

Motor control



1. How to **initiate** a courtship song?

Female stimulation; Motion feedback

Multiple sensory modalities control the initiation of courtship song



Sensory control of D. melanogaster sexual behaviors

Thomas O Auer et al. Curr Opin Neurobiol. 2016 Jun


将果蝇的运动分为: Dis--果蝇中心之间的距离 mFV/fFV--雄性/雌性前进速度 mLS/fLS和mRS/fRS--雄性/雌性横向速度和旋转速度 Ang1/Ang2--雌性/雄性航向与雄性/雌性中心之间的绝对角度



A novel assay to study *Drosophila* song behaviour



Philip Coen et al. Nature . 2014 Mar 13



Adam J Calhoun et al. Nat Neurosci . 2019 Dec



Male motion modulate song patterning circuits

(via either a copy of the motor commands or proprioceptive feedback from the legs)

Philip Coen et al. Nature . 2014 Mar 13

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Neuronal control



Ebru Demir et al. Cell. 2005 Jun

Anne C von Philipsborn et al. Neuron . 2011 Feb

P1 pIP10 С 600 Α в В 200 Α 30.0°C (n = 35) 29.0°C (n = 20) ٠ 31.5°C (n = 16) 31.5°C (n = 16) ▲ 33.0°C (n = 19) ▲ 33.0°C (*n* = 15) 150 hulses/min 500 pulses/min 00 50 rank rank Е 80 С D D 400 400 60 • TNT (n = 72) TNT (n = 57)• TNT (*n* = 71) • percentage of flies copulating percentage of flies copulating • TNT (*n* = 63) TNTⁱⁿ (n = 66) TNTⁱⁿ (n = 56) TNTⁱⁿ (n = 72)■ TNTⁱⁿ (*n* = 61) **₽**₽ A no fru^{FLP} (n = 8) ▲ no fru^{FLP} (n = 58) ▲ no fru^{FLP} (n = 72) 60 300 300 ▲ no fru^{FLP} (n = 63) pulses/min pulses/min 500 40 100 20 -100 0. 10 0 4 6 time [min] 8 1 2 0 rank 10 2 4 6 time [min] 8 0 rank

P1 and pIP10 neurons in the brain trigger song production

Anne C von Philipsborn et al. *Neuron*. 2011 Feb



Anne C von Philipsborn et al. Neuron . 2011 Feb



Descending pIP10 neurons may link the two song centers in a male-specific circuit

Anne C von Philipsborn et al. Neuron . 2011 Feb



A Schematic Circuit Underlying Male Love Song Production

Richard Benton. Neuron . 2011 Feb

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3. How to **perform** a courtship song?

Motor control





Silencing the hg1 Motoneuron in Males Specifically Impairs Their Ability to Generate Sine Song



Sexually Dimorphic Development of hg1 Is Required for Maximal Sine Song Amplitude





Inhibition of the ps1 Motoneuron Specifically Reduces Pulse Carrier Frequency and Amplitude

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Motor control: hg1运动神经元和hg1肌肉的性别二态性发育是雄蝇求偶歌正弦成分 表达所必需的; ps1肌肉, 其运动神经元对于脉冲求偶歌的特征很重要。

4. How to **finish** a courtship song?

THANKS!

Female responses to courtship songs Caihong Han 2022-03-31

Behavioral components of courtship in the female fly at different receptivity states



Aranha, M.M. and M.L. Vasconcelos, Curr Opin Neurobiol, 2018.

Courtship song response in female and comparison of the sound pathways in flies and mammals.



Aranha, M.M. and M.L. Vasconcelos, Curr Opin Neurobiol, 2018.

Kamikouchi, A. Neurosci Res. 2013

Phylogenetic relationships of Drosophila courtship songs across species



Sine song: a humming sound around 160 Hz

Pulse song: a species-specific 35ms inter-pulse interval (IPI)

IPI contributes to species recognition, and thus also has a significant impact on sexual selection.



aLN(al) and aPN1 mediate the detection of conspecific song in *D. melanogaster*



aPN1 response to pulse song in AMMC



Vaughan, Alexander G., et al., Curr Biol, 2014

GABAergic local interneurons suppress the song response of AMMC neurons



Yamada, D., et al. J Neurosci, 2018.

Rdl receptors in pC1 neurons modulate the experience-dependent song preference in females.



How does the courtship song signals female acceptance?

cVA sensitizes the responses of pC1 neurons to courtship song



Auditory inputs to female-specific vpoDNs controlling vaginal plate opening (VPO)



Auditory input to vpoDN to control VPO and receptivity



vpoENs and vpoINs promote and suppress, respectively, both VPO and receptivity.

vpoENs and vpoDNs are tuned to conspecific courtship song



vpoDNs integrate mating status and song



The female fly to mate or not to mate is largely determined by how the vpoDNs integrate signals from two direct synaptic inputs:

- 1, the vpoENs, which are selectively tuned to the conspecific male courtship song,
- 2、 the pC1 cells, which encode the mating status of the female.

How does the brain processes courtship song for rejection responses in females?

Ovipositor extrusion mediates rejection when performed by a mated female



Photoactivation of DNp13 neurons mediate ovipositor extrusion


DNp13 neurons receive auditory input from pC2l cells



Wang et al., 2020, Current Biology

Ovulation facilitates the ability of DNp13 neurons to trigger ovipositor extrusion







Article

Current Biology

Circuit and Behavioral Mechanisms of Sexual Rejection by *Drosophila* Females



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Highlights

- Mated Drosophila females extrude their ovipositors to reject courting males
- The DNp13 descending neurons are command neurons for ovipositor extrusion
- DNp13 neurons respond to male courtship song via pC2l auditory neurons
- Ovulation, triggered by a prior mating, enhances DNp13 motor output



Current Biology

Ovipositor Extrusion Promotes the Transition from Courtship to Copulation and Signals Female Acceptance in Drosophila melanogaster

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Highlights

- DNp13 activity induces full ovipositor extrusion
- Ovipositor extrusion is a response to the male courtship song
- Male licking an extruded ovipositor prompts copulation attempt
- Upon copulation attempt, receptive females retract the ovipositor to allow copulation





Licking and ovipositor extrusion together prompt male copulation attempt



A model of the auditory pathways involved in relay of song signals to modulate female receptivity.



Ishimoto, H. and A. Kamikouchi, Cell Mol Life Sci, 2021.

summary

- aPN1 mediate the detection of conspecific song in *D. melanogaster*.
- Female-specific vpoDNs neurons act as command-type neurons for vaginal plate opening to allow copulation.
- The DNp13 neurons respond to male song via direct synaptic input from the pC21 auditory neurons for ovipositor extrusion to reject the male.
- Licking and ovipositor extrusion together prompt male copulation attempt.
- GABAergic local interneurons suppress the song response of AMMC neurons

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