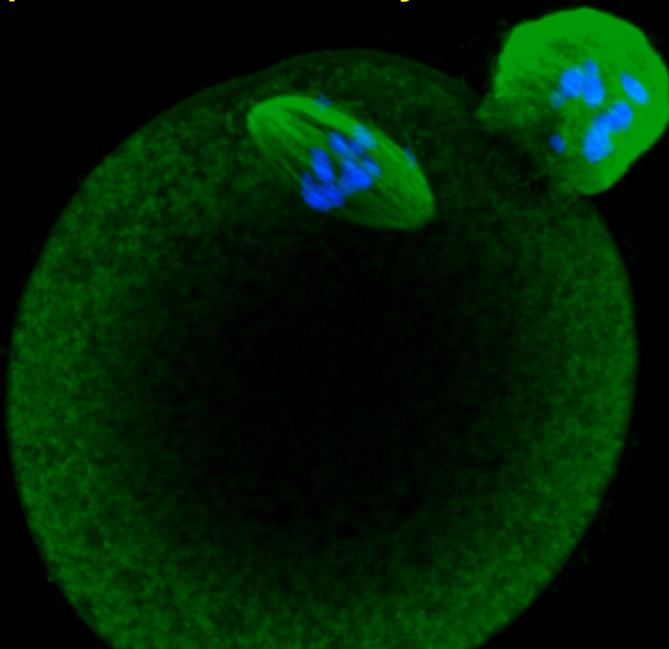


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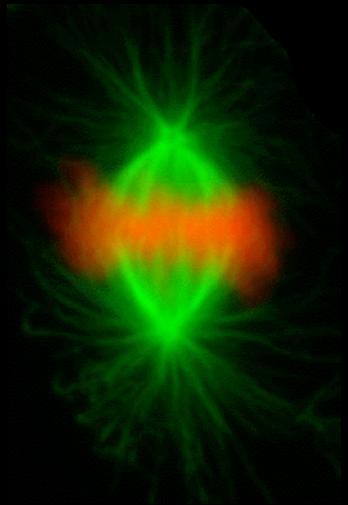
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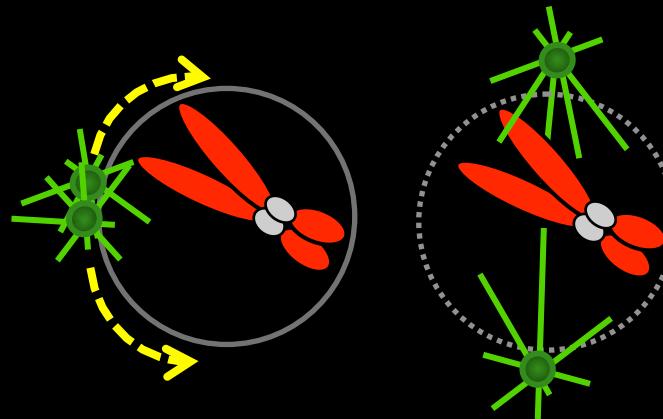


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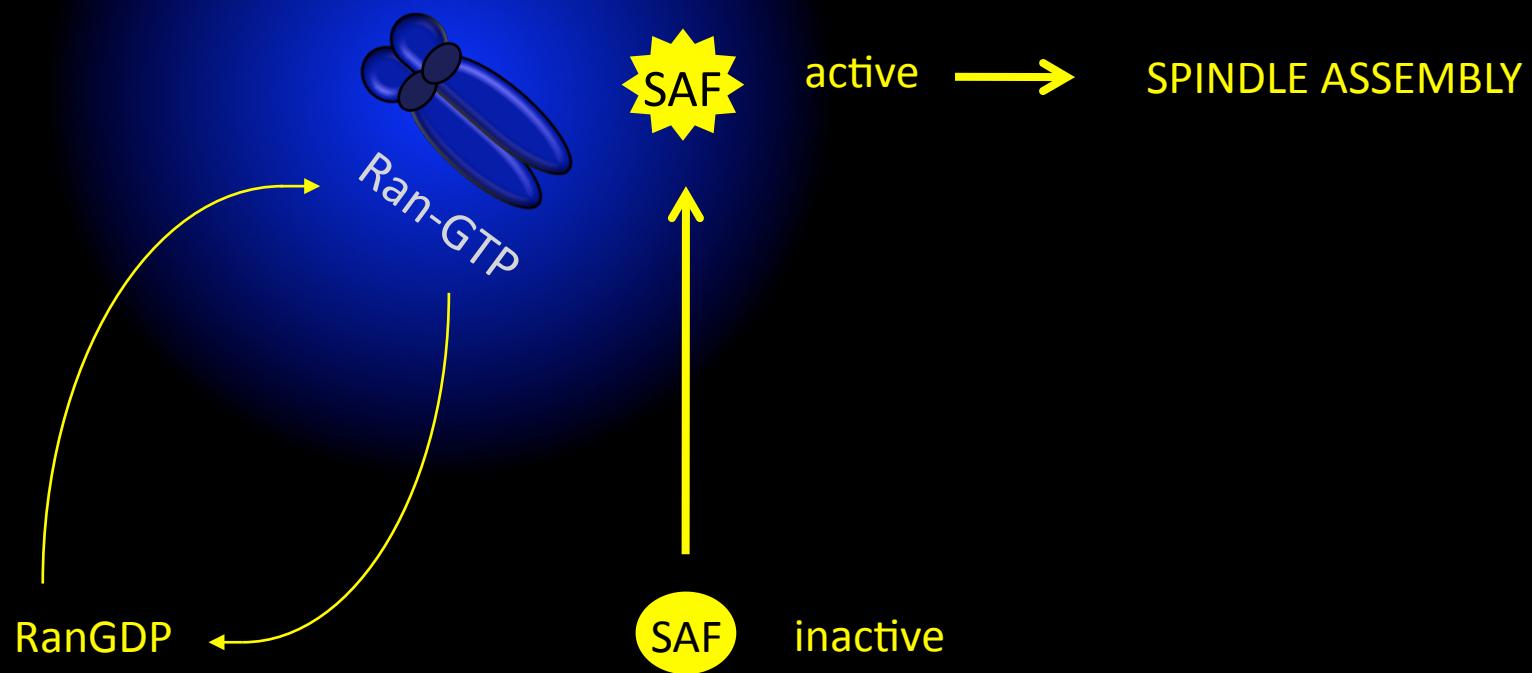
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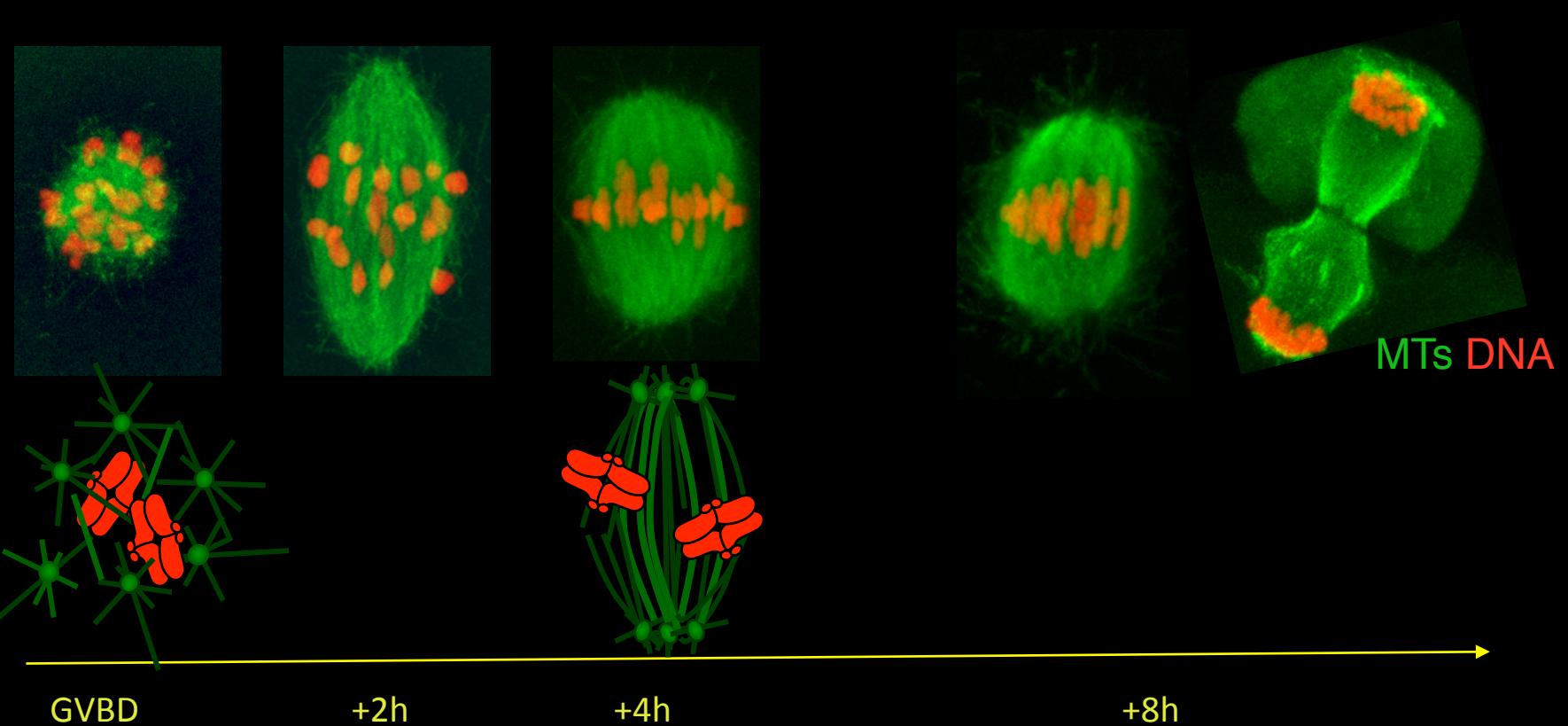
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Chromosomes, Ran-GTP and Spindle Assembly Factors activation

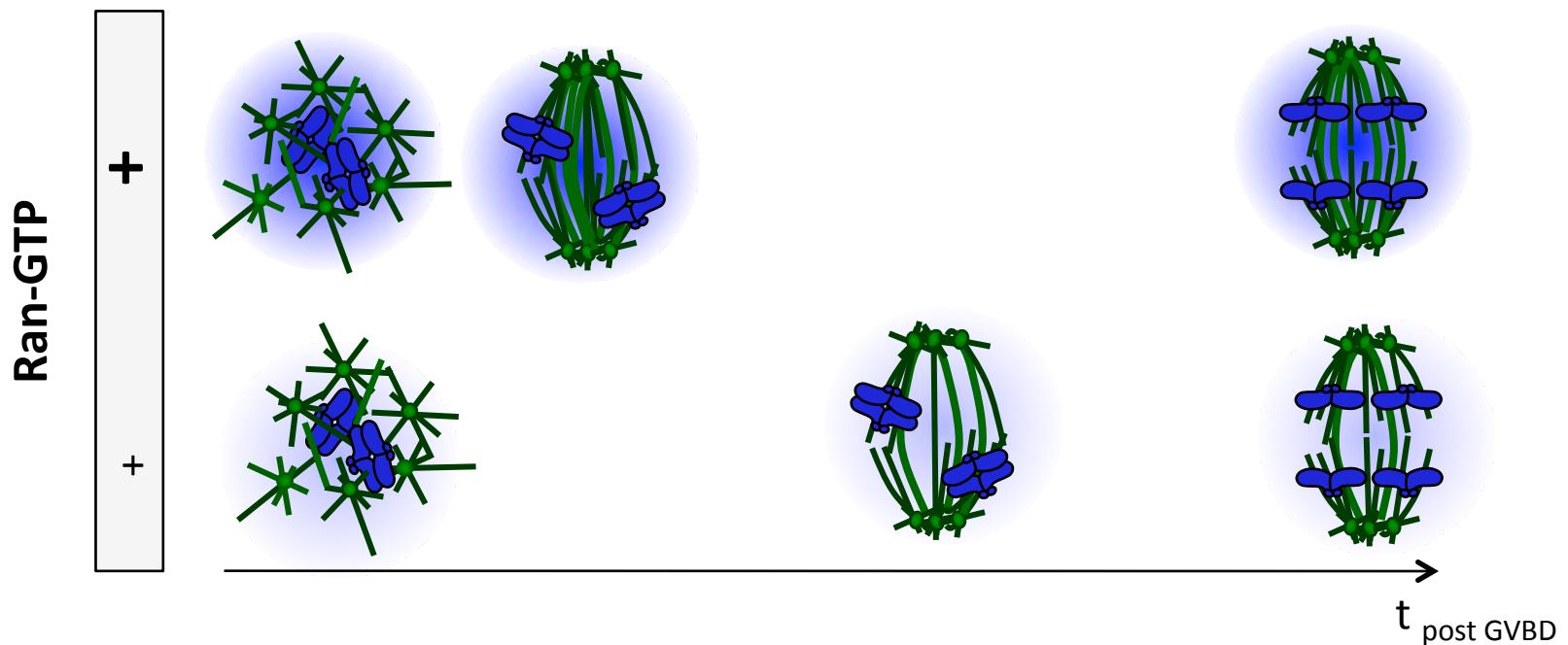


Meiosis I acentriolar spindle assembly



- How is bipolarity set-up in the absence of centrioles ?
- How do Chromosomes participate in this process?

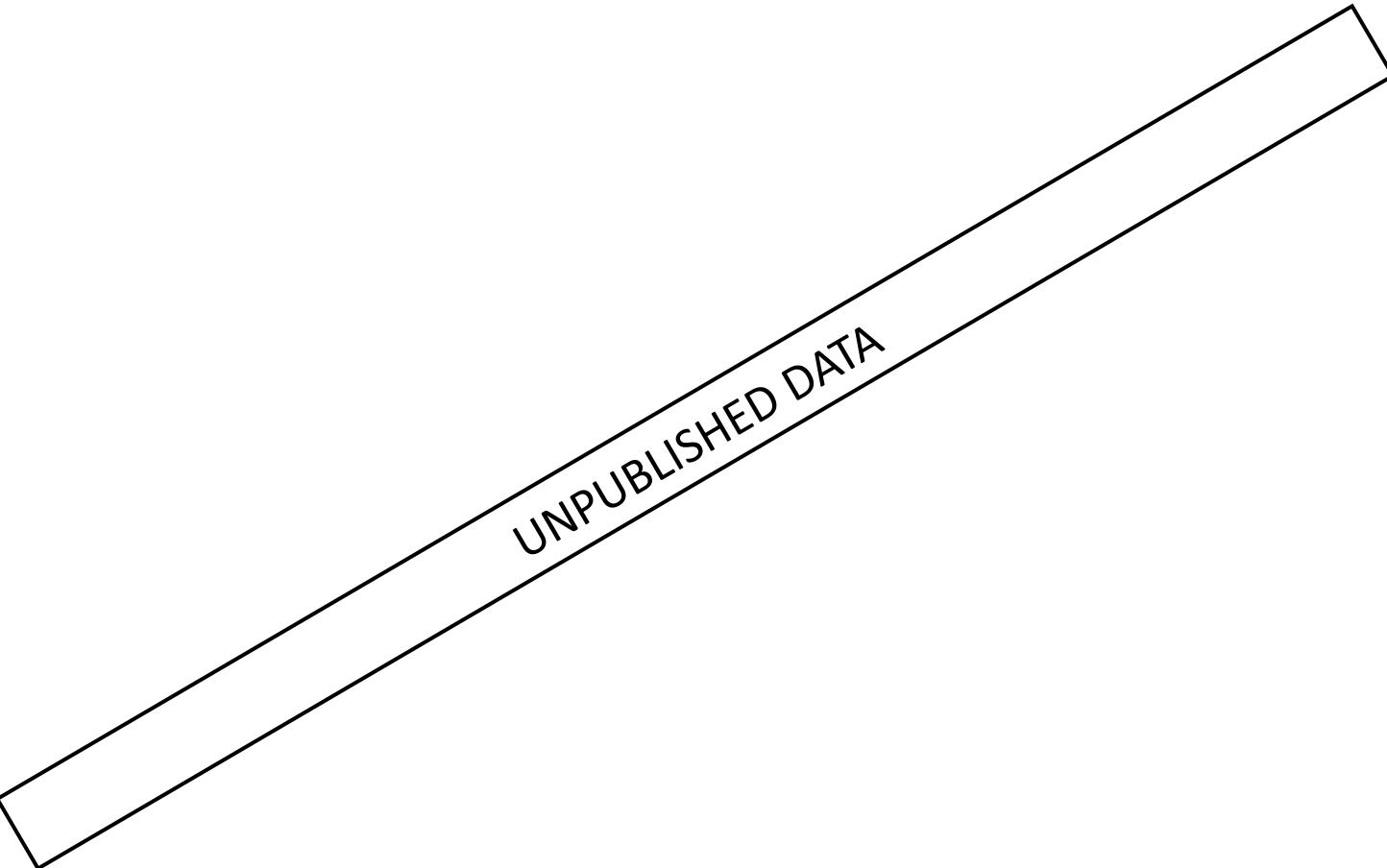
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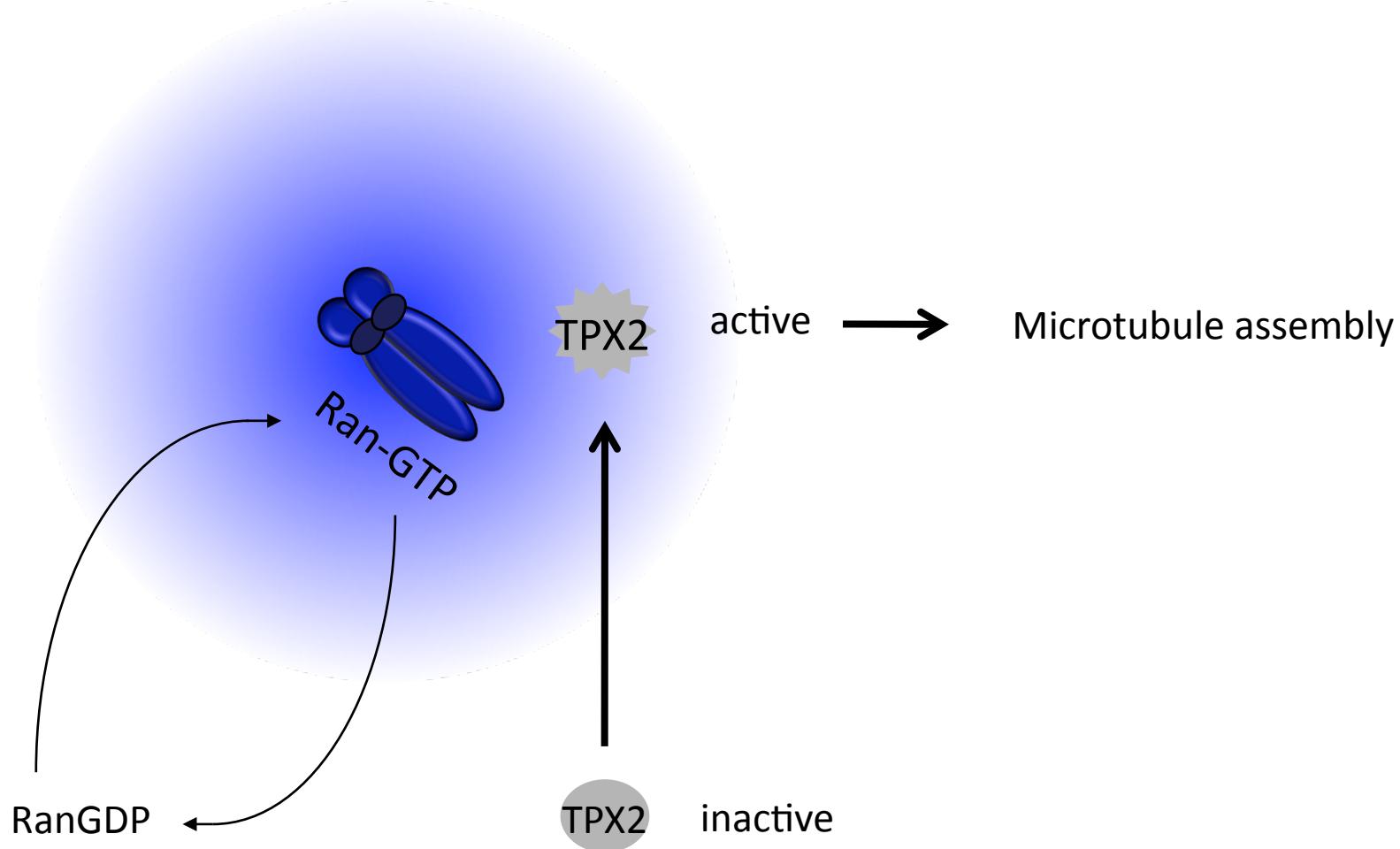
Ran-GTP target(s) involved in spindle bipolarization?

... HURP (Hepatoma Up-Regulated Protein)
a mitotic Ran-GTP target required for chromosomes congression



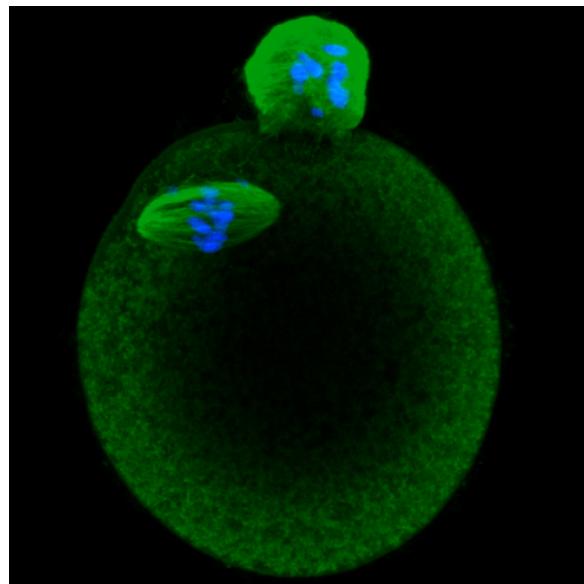
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TPX2 is a Ran GTP dependant microtubule nucleator

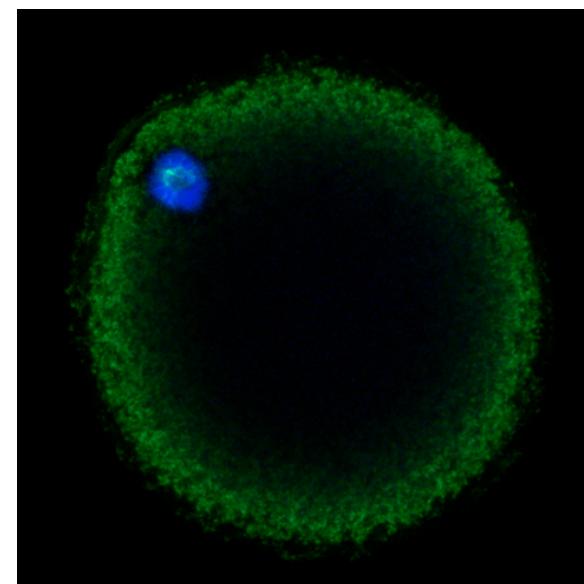


**TPX2 depletion induces
a dramatic reduction in microtubule density and spindle collapse**

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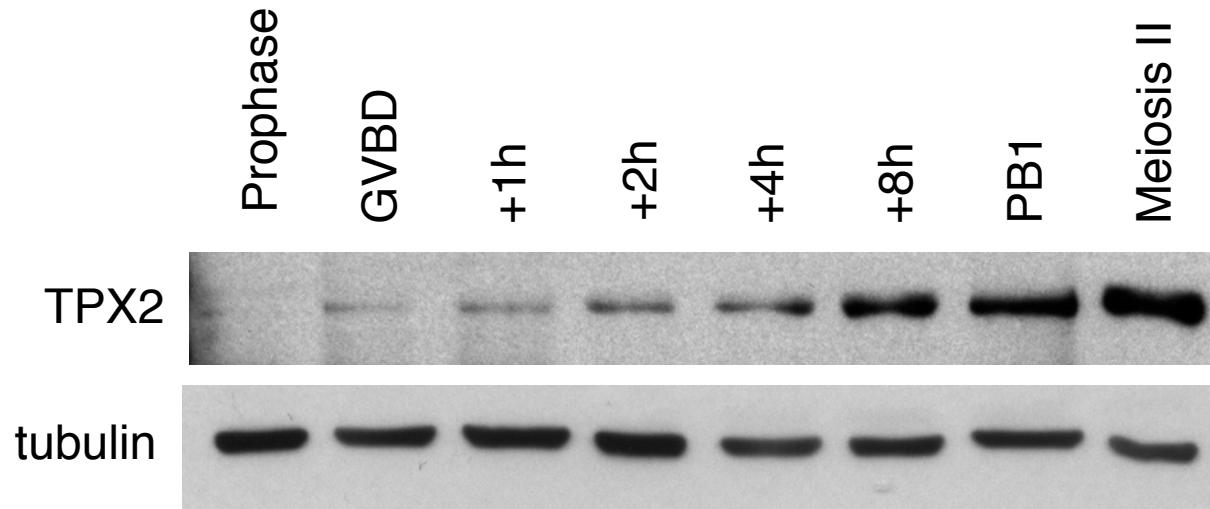


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TPX2 accumulates progressively during meiotic maturation



TPX2 partially compensates Hurp deficiency during Meiosis I delay

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