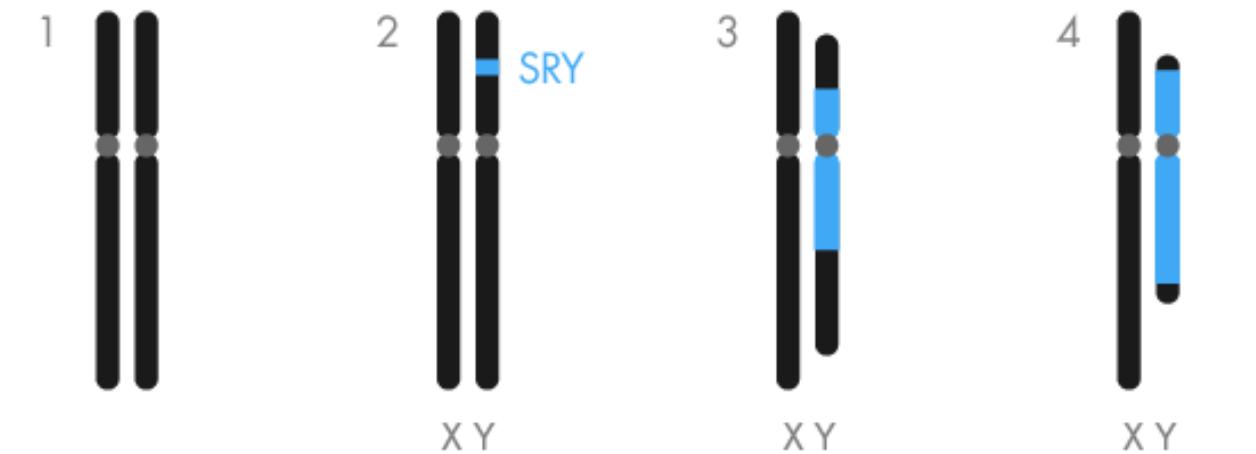


# WHY THE Y SHRINKS



Non-sex chromosomes swap bits of DNA every generation.

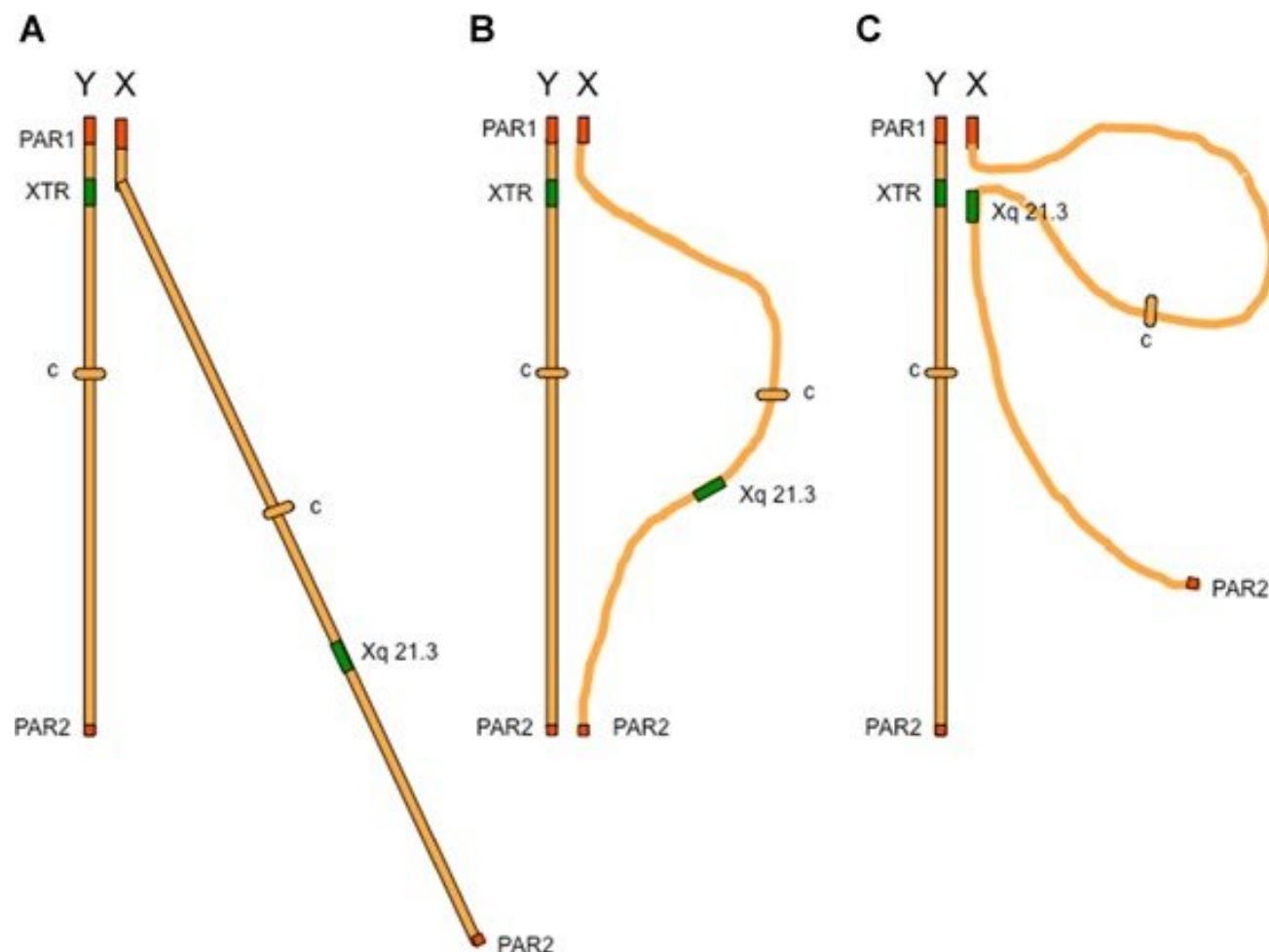
A random mutation creates the *SRY* gene, which triggers male development.

Over time, other sex-specific genes (blue) accumulate around *SRY*.

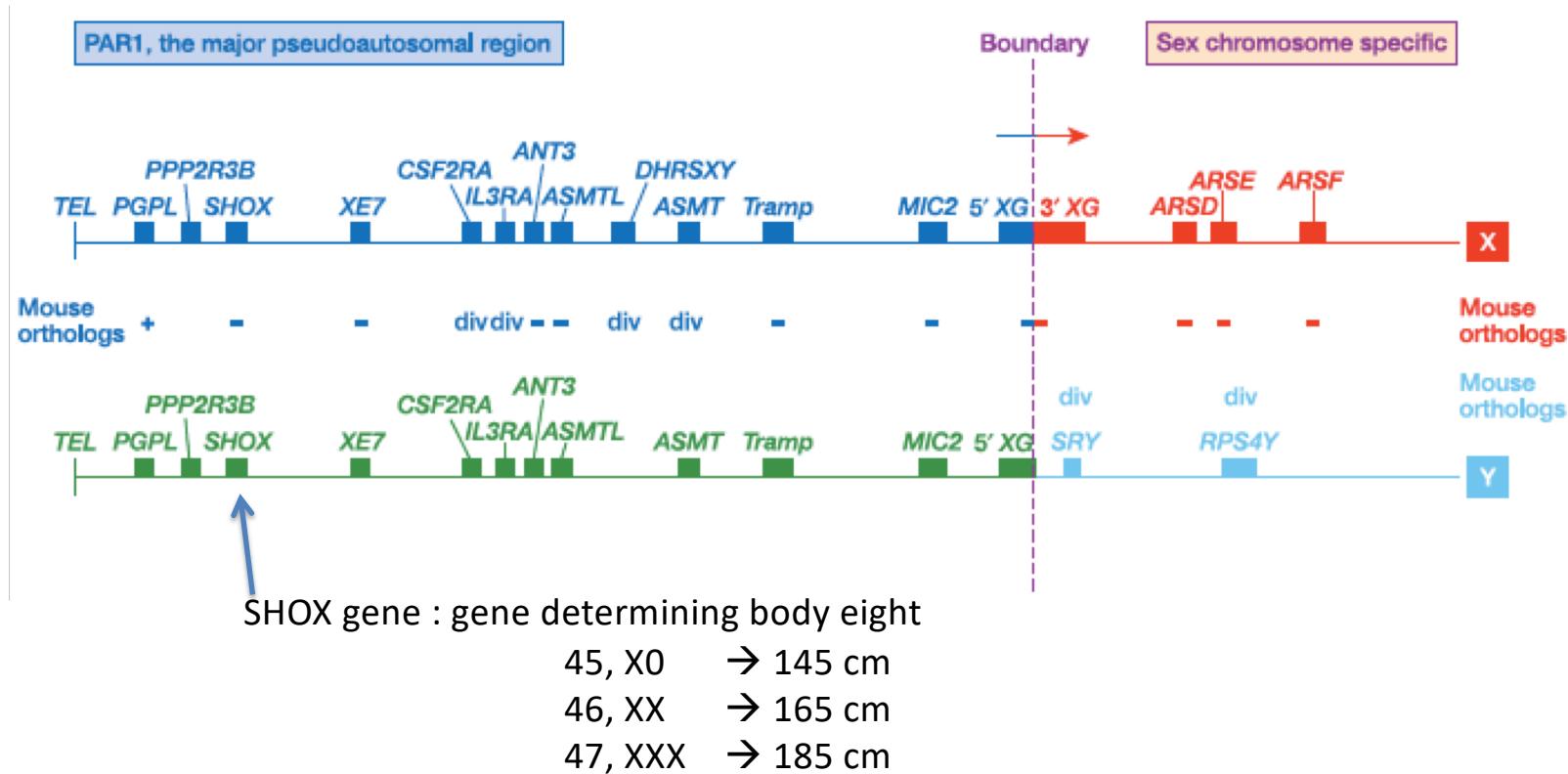
Now the X and Y have only a small stretch of DNA in common (black).

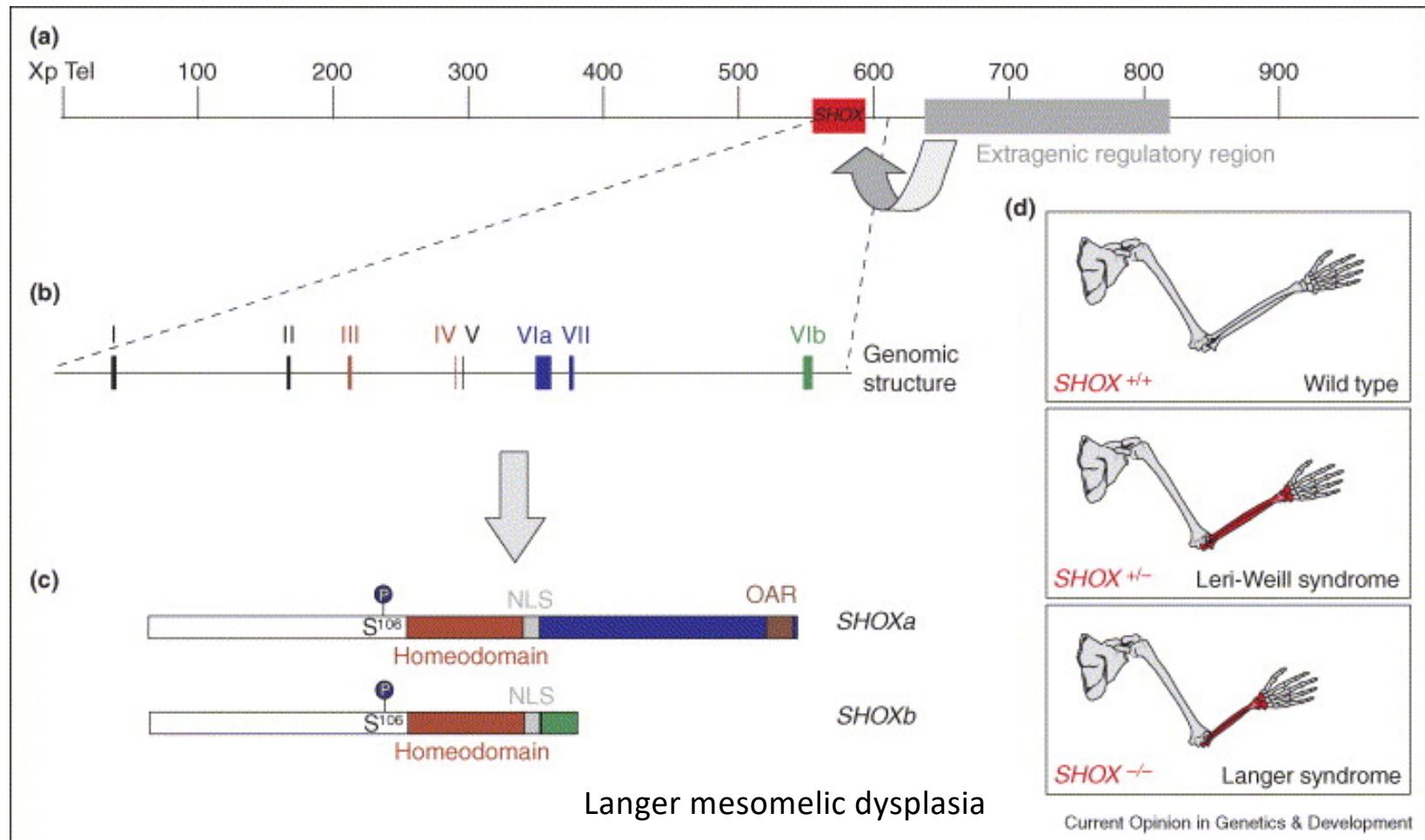
The X and Y chromosomes began life as a matched set of non-sex chromosomes. As sex-specific genes began clustering on the Y chromosome, pieces of the Y flipped around, preventing the X and Y from pairing. No longer able to swap material with the X, the Y couldn't repair itself and began to lose parts.

## Male meiosis

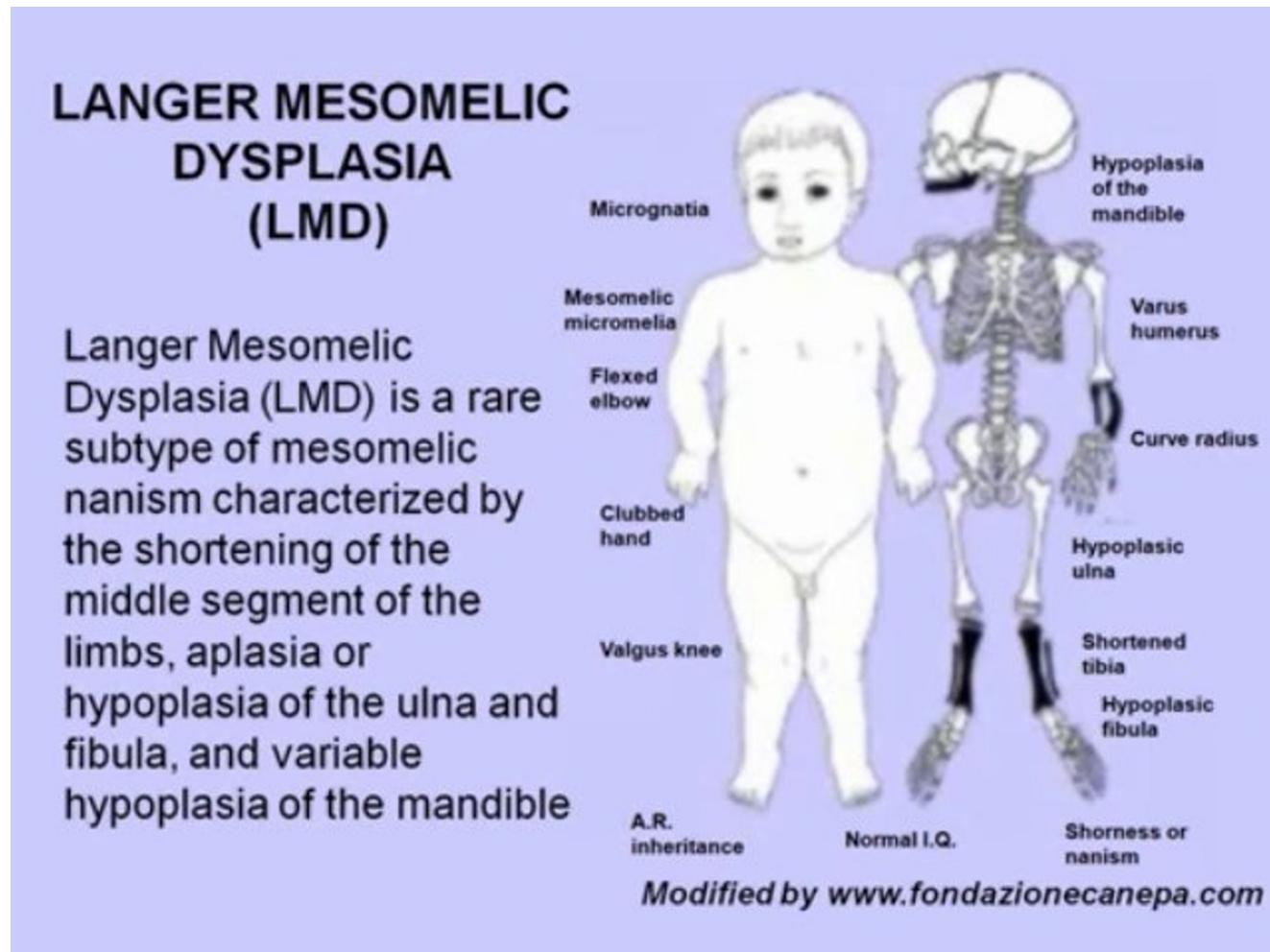


# Organization and evolutionary instability of the major human pseudoautosomal region (PAR1).

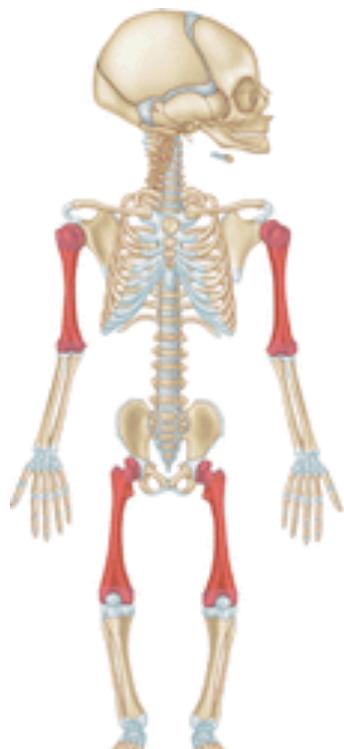




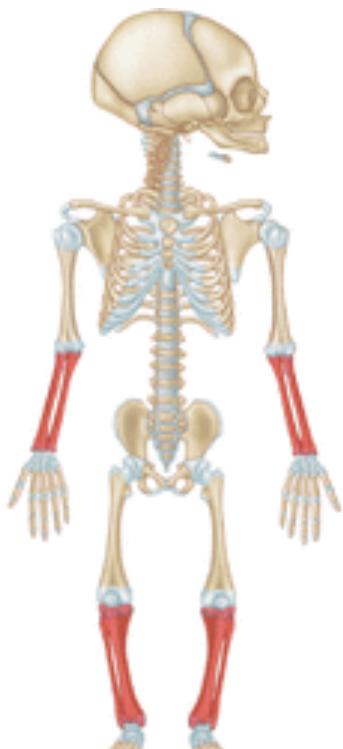
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## Mesomelic dysplasia: Langer type



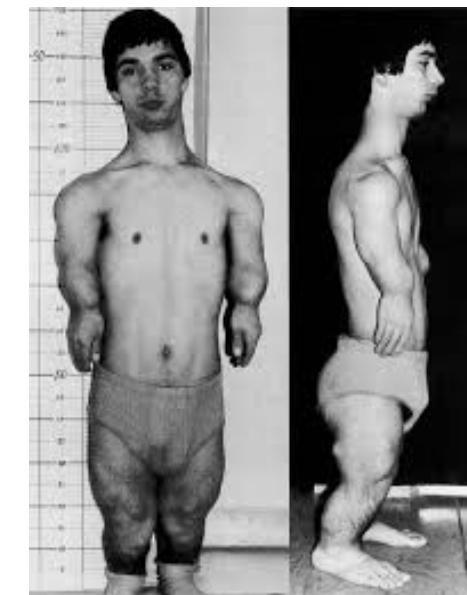
Rhizomelic



Mesomelic



Acromelic



Two patients with Langer type mesomelic dysplasia are reported. This is one of the rare but well differentiated and easily recognizable mesomelic dysplasias.

