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演題：**Cytoskeletal Forces Span the Nuclear Envelope to Coordinate Meiotic Chromosome Pairing and Synapsis**

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A mystery of sexual reproduction is how maternal and paternal chromosomes recombine and separate during meiosis to generate haploid gametes. Using genetic and cytological approaches, we are investigating how each chromosome finds and recognizes its unique homologous partner in the nematode *C. elegans*. We provide evidence that special regions on each chromosome, known as “Pairing Centers”, establish physical connections across the nuclear envelope to cytoplasmic microtubules and dynein to facilitate homolog pairing. Our results also suggest that generation of force is used to assess homology and to license subsequent chromosome interactions, including synapsis, during meiotic prophase.

