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## **Overtrimmed Cover Picture**

This note may clear up some confusion which may arise from a perusal of the cover illustration on the 13 July 1962 issue of Science. The drawing shows a portion of the follicular epithelium which surrounds a developing oocyte of Drosophila melanogaster. A corner of a follicle cell nucleus is shown, as are various cytoplasmic organelles including mitochondria and arrays of endoplasmic reticulum (enclosing lipoidal droplets). To the right of the basement membrane of the follicle cell lies a segment of the epithelial sheath (characterized by its smooth muscle fibrils) which encloses the follicle. To the right of this lies a longitudinally sectioned trachea. The magnification is 27,000. The confusion with respect to the caption arises from the fact that only the right-hand half of a larger drawing was used for the cover illustration.

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