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Analysis and annotation of the transcriptional regulatory sequences of higher eukaryotes: the point of view from the wet lab

Après-midi thématique séquences de régulation transcriptionnelle

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Jean Imbert

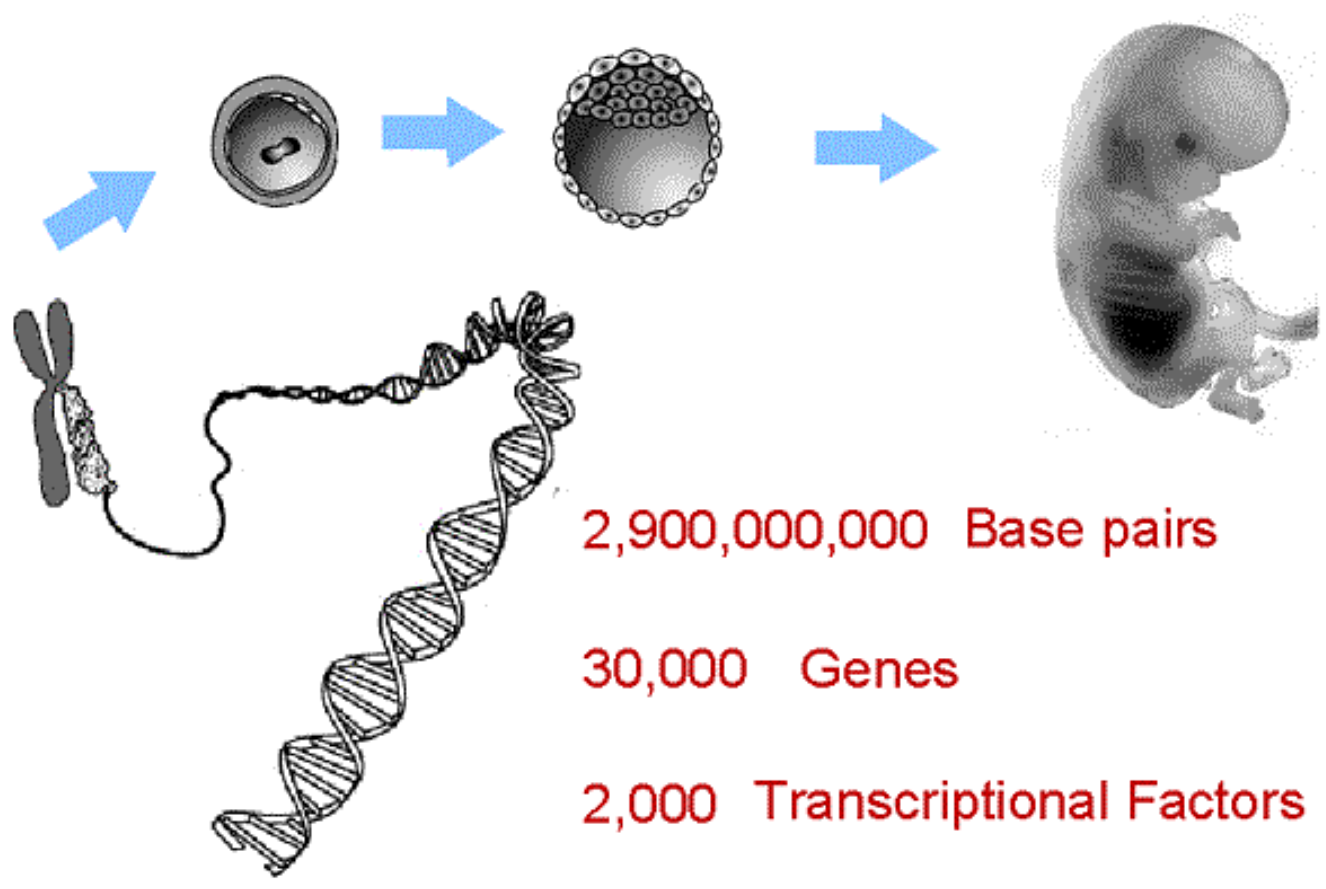
Equipe Régulations Transcriptionnelles



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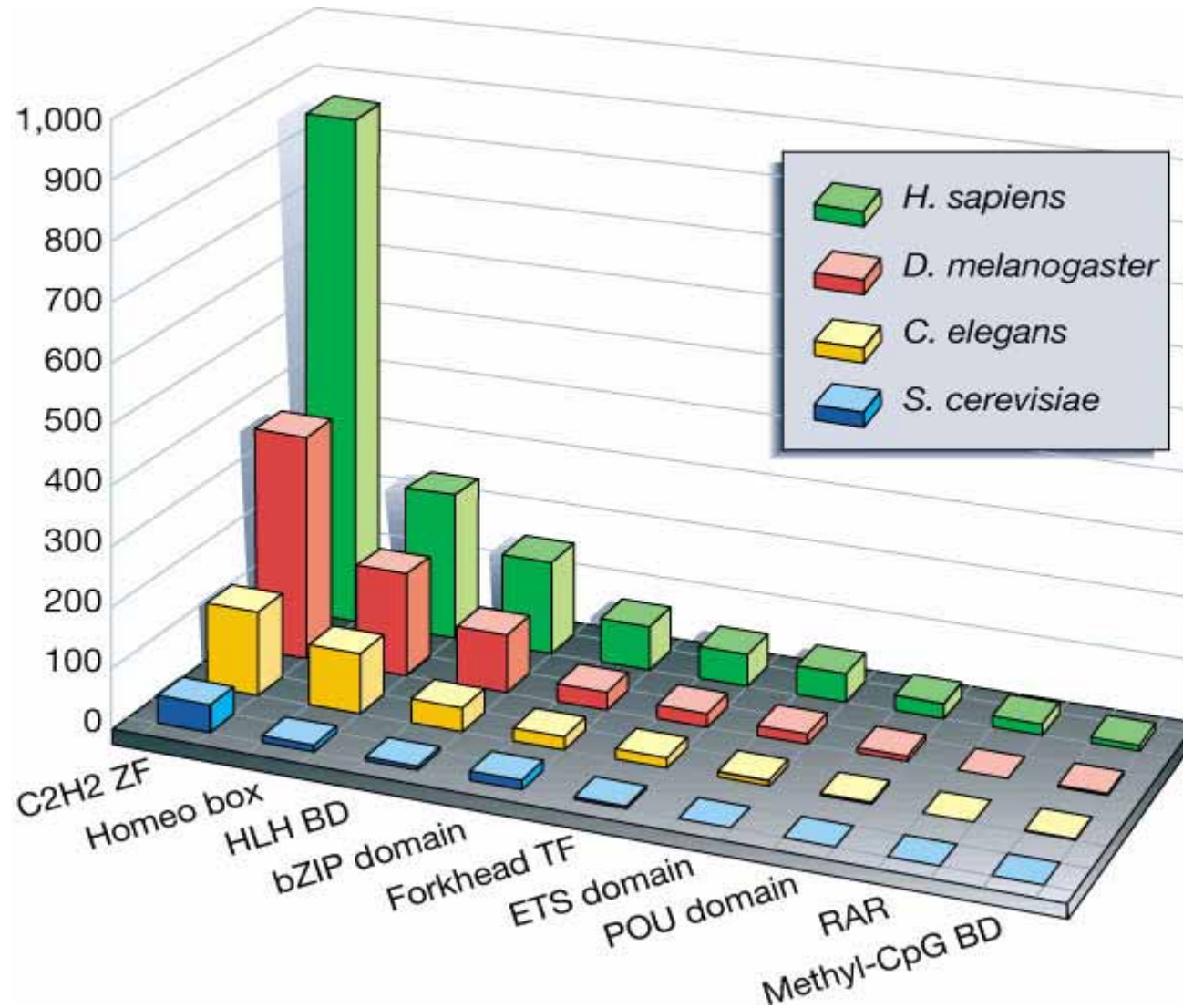
Si vous aviez des doutes sur l'intérêt de la chose...

The Human Genome



From Bing Ren, Laboratory of Gene Regulation, Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research, UCSD

Genome-wide comparison of transcriptional activator families in eukaryotes



C2H2 zinc fingers are found in 2% of all human genes, and they are by far the most abundant class of DNA-binding domains found in human transcription factors.

From Tupler R, Perini G, Green MR. *Nature* 409: 832-833, 2001.

Cancer Associated Transcription Factors

NAME	CANCER TYPE	NAME	CANCER TYPE
<i>AL5Q31</i>	acute lymphoblastic leukemia	<i>NFKB1</i>	Acute lymphoblastic leukemia
<i>ASCL1</i>	small cell lung cancer (SCLC)	<i>NFKB2</i>	B-Cell lymphoma
<i>BCL3</i>	B-cell leukemia	<i>PAX3</i>	alveolar rhabdomyosarcoma
<i>BCL6</i>	B cell lymphoma	<i>PAX5</i>	B-Cell lymphoma
<i>CBFB</i>	myeloid leukemia	<i>PAX7</i>	alveolar rhabdomyosarcoma
<i>CBL</i>	pre-B and pro-B cell lymphomas	<i>PBX1</i>	leukemia
<i>CTNNB1</i>	Colon cancer	<i>RARA</i>	AML
<i>DEK</i>	Leukemia, acute nonlymphocytic	<i>REL</i>	Diffuse large cell lymphoma
<i>ERG</i>	Acute myeloid leukemia (AML)	<i>RELA</i>	Diffuse large cell lymphoma
<i>ETS1</i>	erythroblastosis	<i>RUNX1</i>	Leukemia, acute myeloid
<i>ETS2</i>	erythroblastosis	<i>SPI1</i>	acute murine erythroleukemia
<i>ETV6</i>	AML	<i>STAT3</i>	Leukemia
<i>FOS</i>	murine osteosarcoma	<i>TAL1/SCL</i>	T cell leukemia
<i>FKHR</i>	rhabdomyosarcoma	<i>TAL2</i>	T cell leukemia
<i>GAS41</i>	Glioma	<i>TCF3</i>	Acute leukemias
<i>GLI</i>	Glioma	<i>BLIMP1</i>	B-cell non-Hodgkin lymphoma
<i>HOX11</i>	Leukemia	<i>E2F1</i>	Murine Reproductive tract sarcomas
<i>IRF2</i>	AML	<i>IRF1</i>	AML
<i>IRF4</i>	multiple myeloma	<i>MAX1</i>	prostate adenocarcinoma
<i>JUN</i>	murine osteosarcoma	<i>PML</i>	Acute promyelocytic leukemia
<i>LMO2</i>	Acute T-cell leukemia	<i>RB1</i>	retinoblastoma
<i>LYL1</i>	T-cell leukemia	<i>SMAD3</i>	colorectal cancer
<i>MAF</i>	multiple myeloma	<i>SMAD4/DPC4</i>	pancreatic carcinoma; juvenile polyposis
<i>MLL</i>	AML	<i>TFE3</i>	renal cell carcinoma
<i>MYB</i>	Leukemia	<i>TP53</i>	Colorectal cancer and other types
<i>C-MYC</i>	Lymphoma, Breast Cancer, lung cancer	<i>WT1</i>	Wilms tumor
<i>N-MYC</i>	neuroblastoma	<i>ZF9/KLF6</i>	prostate cancer

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Comment définir un gène et ses séquences régulatrices ?

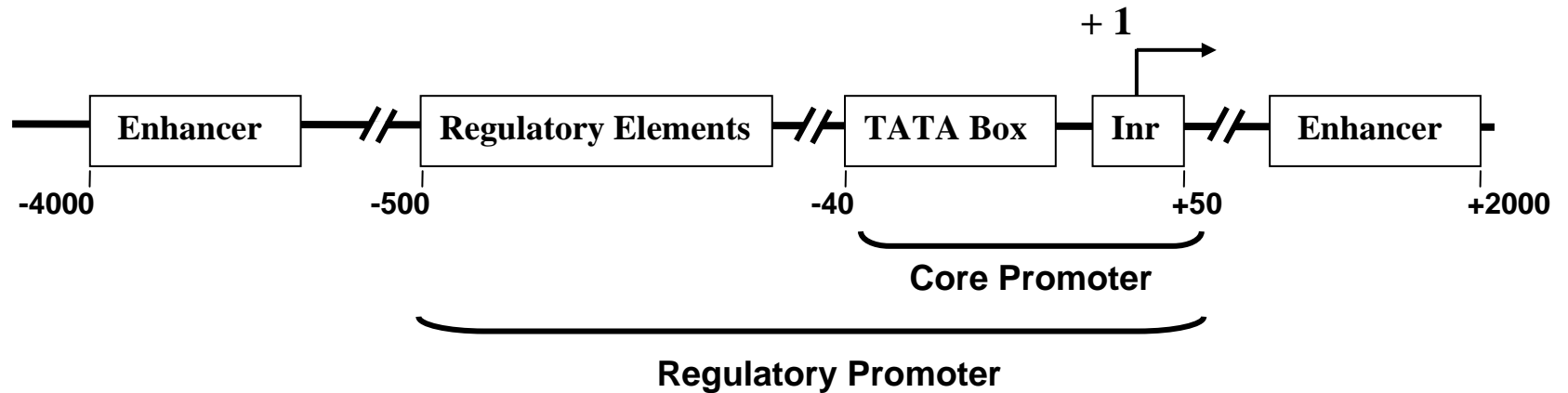
CORE PROMOTER



TATA Box: TATAAAA (about 25 base pairs upstream of the start point)

Initiator (Inr): PyPyCA \blacktriangle PyPyPyPyPy

MODEL OF TYPICAL GENE PROMOTER AND REGULATORY REGIONS



***cis*-acting regulatory elements**

From Pennacchio, L. A. and E. M. Rubin. 2001. Genomic strategies to identify mammalian regulatory sequences. Nat. Rev. Genet. 2:100-109.

Promoter: Sequence of DNA near the 5' end of a gene that acts as a binding site for RNA polymerase and from which transcription is initiated.

Enhancer: Control element that elevates the levels of transcription from a promoter, independent of orientation or distance.

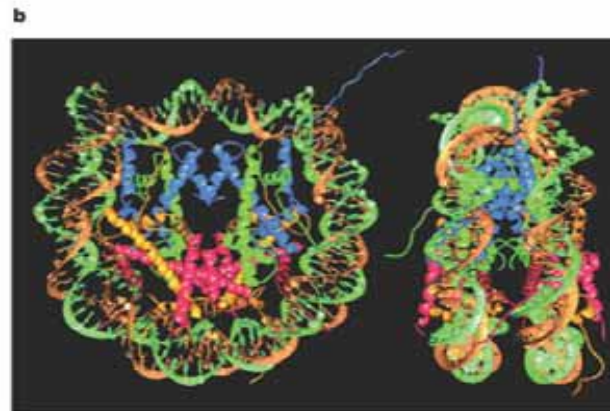
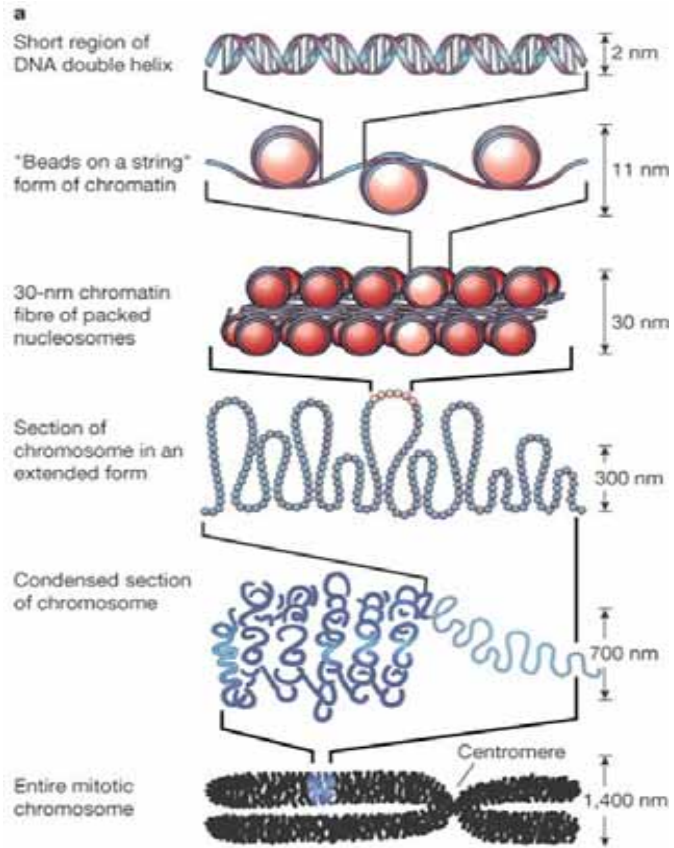
Locus control region (LCR): Confers tissue-specific temporally regulated expression of linked genes. LCRs function independently of position, but they are copy number dependent and open the nucleosome structure so that other factors can bind. LCRs affect replication timing and origin usage.

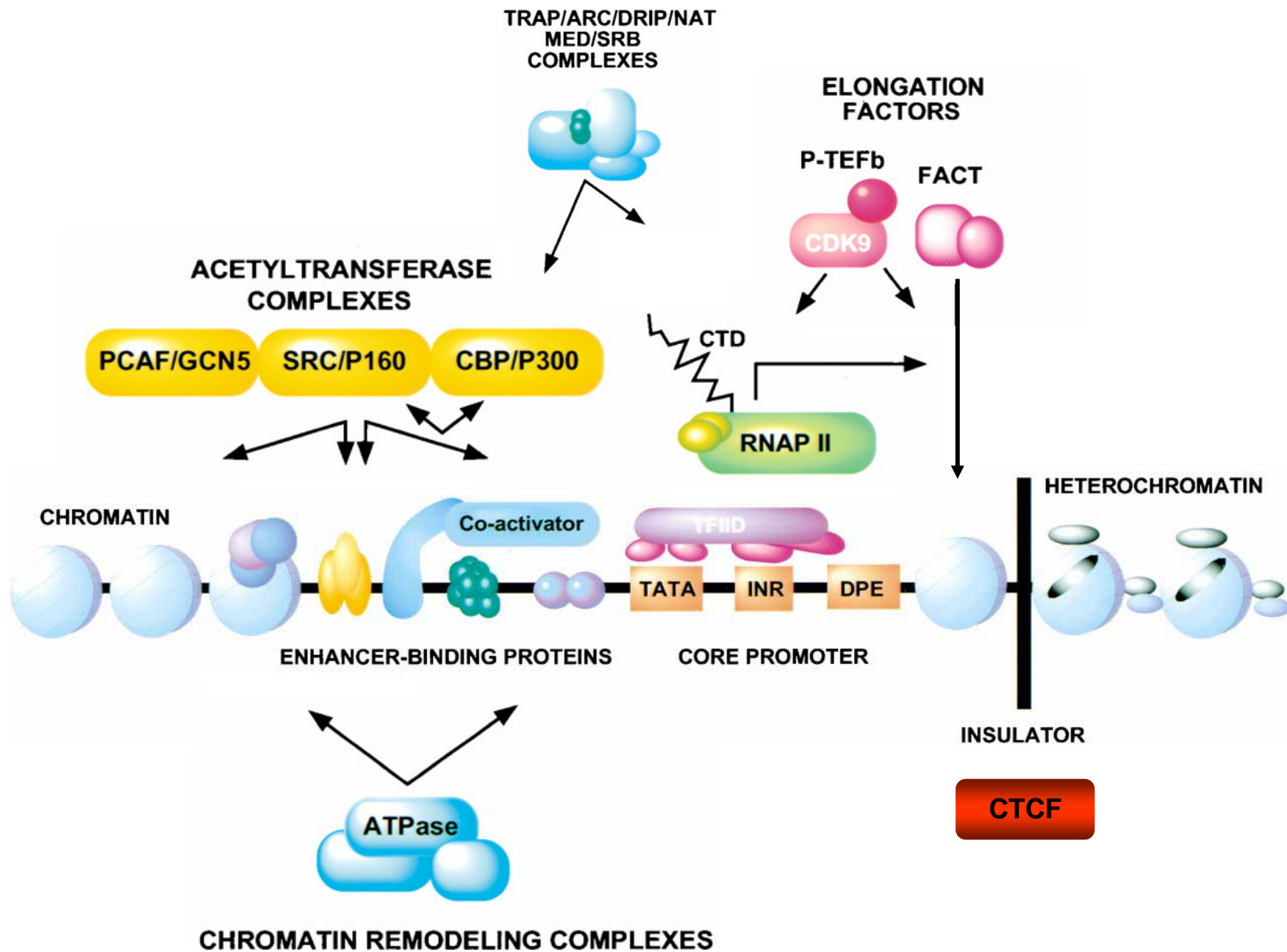
Boundary element/insulator: DNA sequence that prevents the activation or inactivation of transcription by blocking the effects of surrounding chromatin.

Silencer: Control element that suppresses gene expression independent of orientation or distance.

Matrix attachment region (MAR)/scaffold attachment region (SAR): DNA sequence that binds the nuclear scaffold and can affect transcription. These elements probably form higher-order looped structures within chromosomes and influence gene expression by separating chromosomes into regulatory domains.

Ça se complique encore...





Modified from Jones and Kadonaga, Genes Dev. 14:1992-1996, 2000.

Human Genome

Lander et al. (2001) Nature 409: 860-921

Table 21 Characteristics of human genes

	Median	Mean
Internal exon	122 bp	145 bp
Exon number	7	8.8
Introns	1,023 bp	3,365 bp
3' UTR	400 bp	770 bp
5' UTR	240 bp	300 bp
Coding sequence (CDS)	1,100 bp 367 aa	1,340 bp 447 aa
Genomic extent	14 kb	27 kb

x 35 k genes

Human Genome size : 3 Gb

Primary transcripts (pre-mRNA) : 1 Gb

Intergenic DNA: 2 Gb 2,000,000 probes at 1 kb resolution

Prediction of promoting regions (1st exon) ?

TOOLS FOR THE IDENTIFICATION OF REGULATORY SEQUENCES AND THEIR COGNATE TRANSCRIPTION FACTORS

1. Identification and characterization of regulatory sequences

- Gene reporter assays: transient or stable transfection (CAT, Luciférase, SEAP, GFP, β -gal, etc.)
- *In vitro* transcription assay
- Sequencing, database mining (web: TESS, Euk. Pr. Database, TRANSFAC, MATINSPECTOR, TFSEARCH, etc.)
- Animal or cellular models: enhancer trap, enhancer knock-in, minichromosomes, etc.

2. Identification and characterization of specific transcription factors (TFs)

- EMSA and sequels: UV-crosslinking, pull-down assay using biotynilated oligonucleotide
- Footprint detection:
 - * *in vitro* : nucleases (DNAse I hypersensitivity, S1 nuclease, Mmase) or chemical compounds
 - * *in vivo* : genomic footprinting, Chromatin ImmunoPrecipitation (ChIP) and sequels

3. TFs physical and functional interactions

- Transfection and biochemistry
- ChIP-on-chip

L'analyse des séquences....

Promoter Regulatory Elements: Features and Facts

- Degenerate sequence motifs
- Length: 6 to 20 bp
- Low complexity (8-12 bits)
- Binding sites of transcription factors
- Excess of binding sites over binding proteins in the nucleus
- Most in vitro binding sites not functional in vivo
- Some in vivo binding sites also not functional
- Regulatory potentials depends on cooperative effects between multiple elements

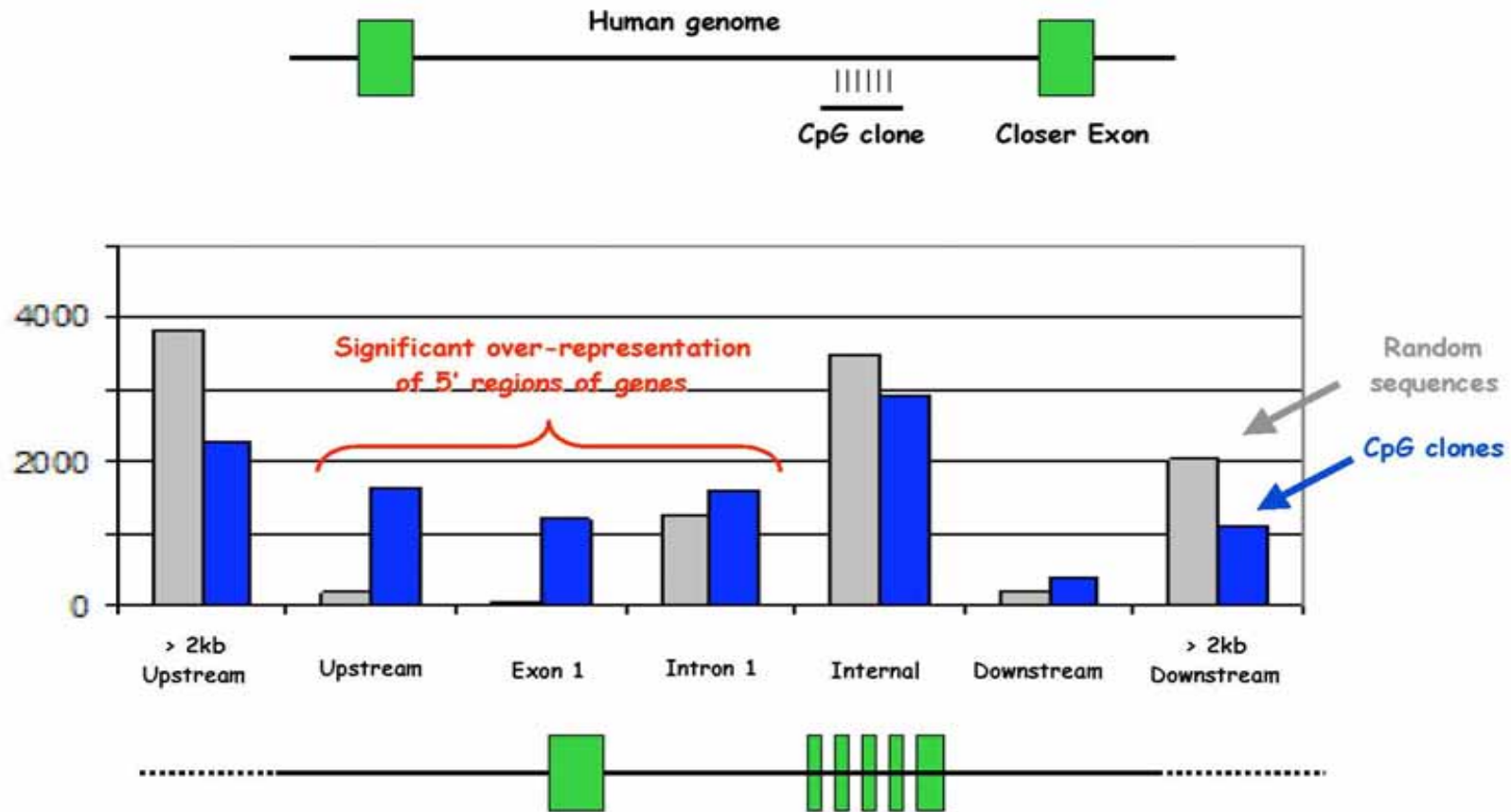
CpG islands

- CpG dinucleotides are present at 20% of predicted frequency
- CpG islands: >200 bp long, >50 %G+C, CpG >0.6 predicted
- CpG islands account for 1% of the genome
- 29,000 CpG islands are predicted in the human genome
- ~60% of known genes have a CpG island near 5' end
- CpG island microarrays are promoter- and regulatory region-enriched arrays

29,000 CpG islands are predicted in the human genome

Weinmann et al. (2002) *Genes & Dev.* 16:235-244
Oberley et al. (2004) *Methods Enzymol.* 376:315-334

CpG Island Localization



Regulatory information is encoded in the DNA...

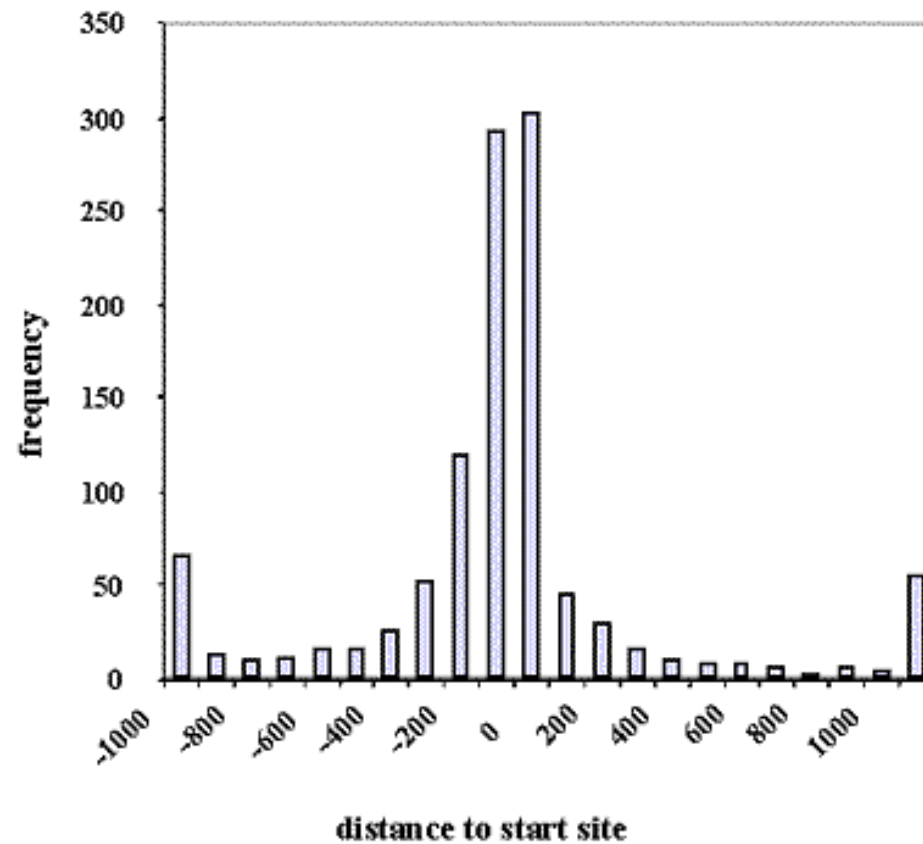


... and can be uncovered by phylogenetic footprinting

Source: Kellis et al. and Lander, Nature 423: 241-54 (2003)

From Julia Zeitlinger - Whitehead Institute, UC Davis, USA

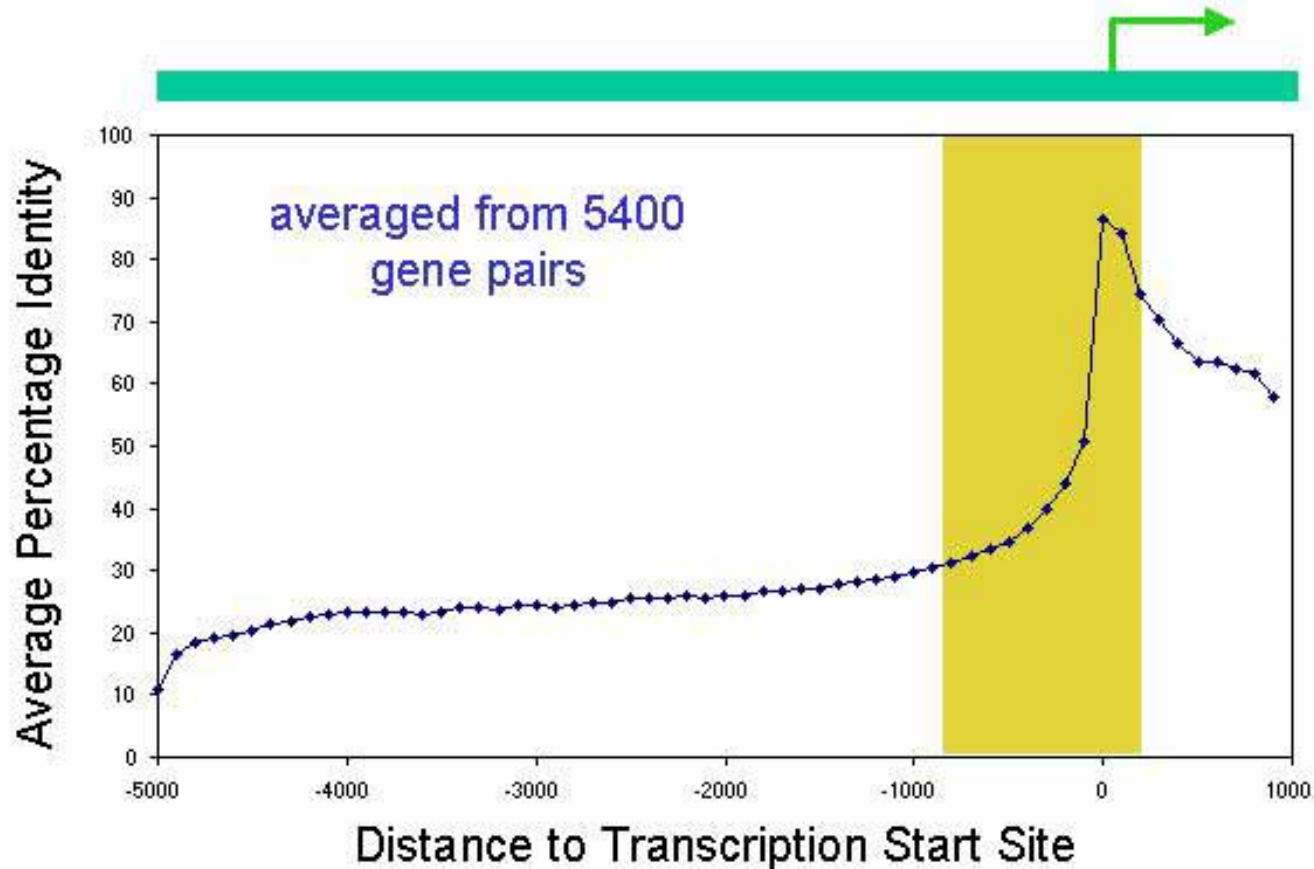
Transcription Factors Tend to Bind to Proximal Promoter Regions



Source: *TransFAC*

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Gene promoter regions are highly conserved between human and mouse orthologs



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Mais quelles sont les limites d'un gène ?

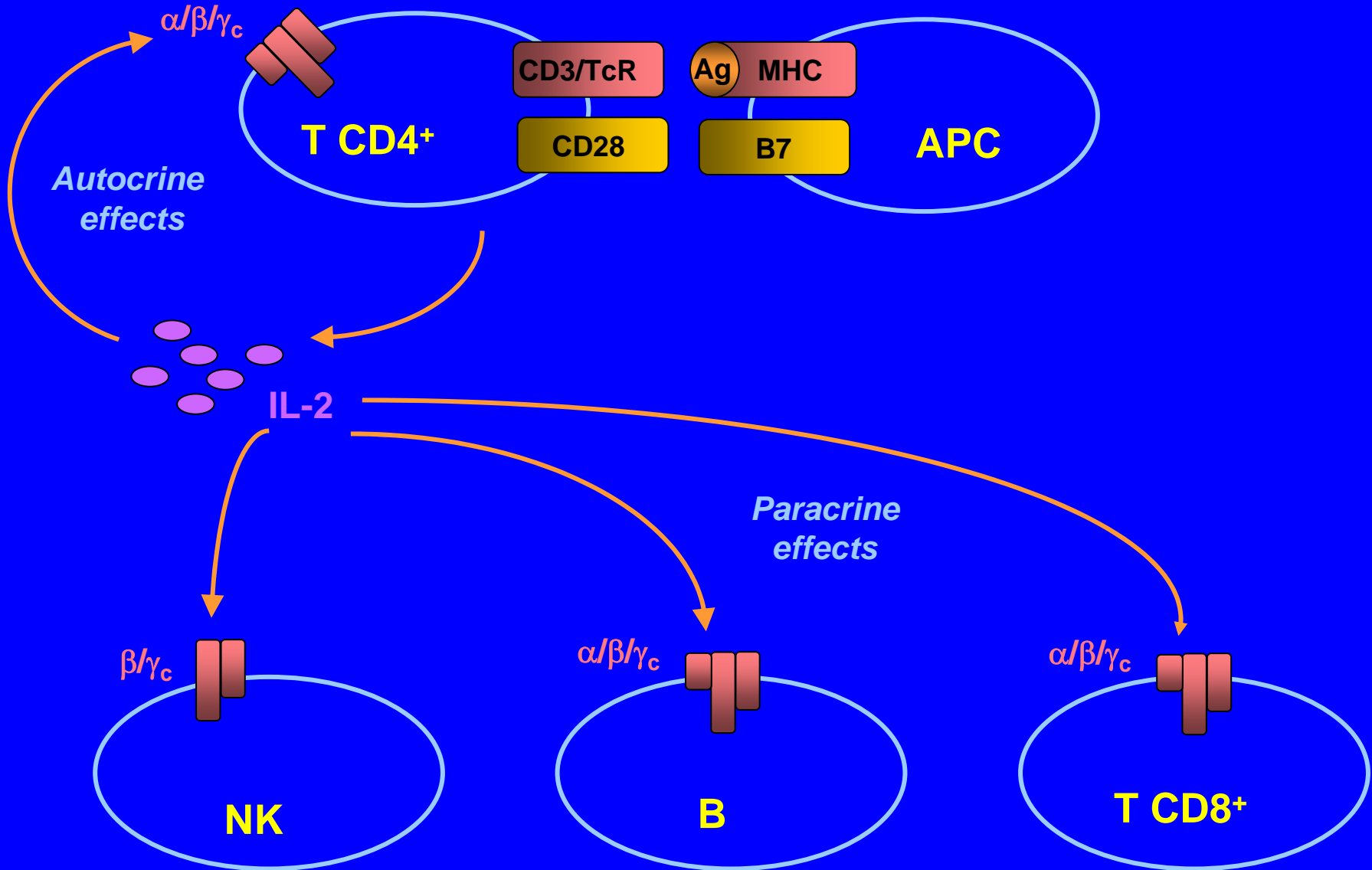
Some examples....

Control of CD25/IL-2R α gene transcription

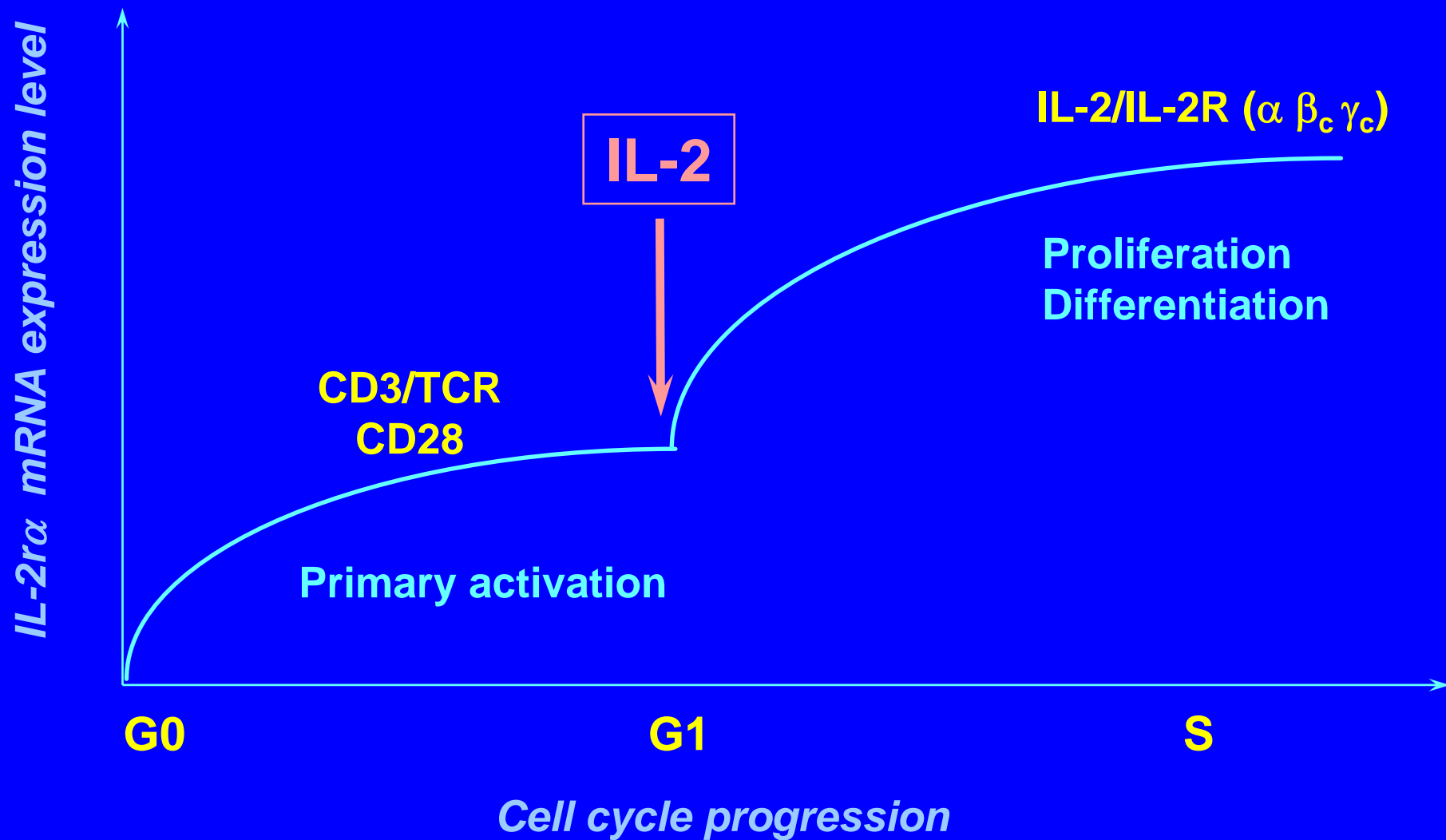
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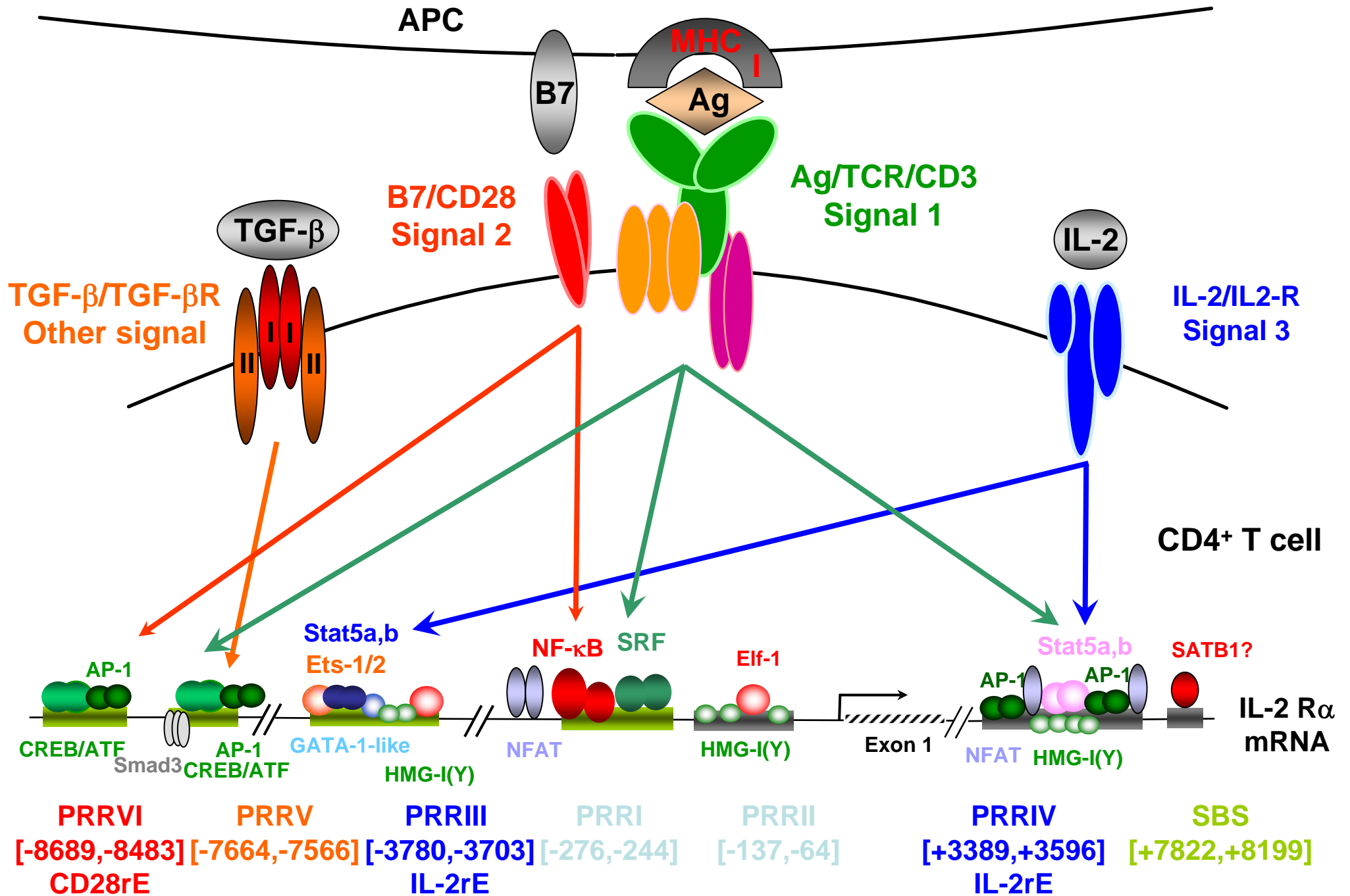
Both integrated and differential regulation of components of the IL-2/IL-2 receptor system.
Cytokine Growth Factor Rev, online doi:10.1016/j.cytogfr.2006.07.003, 2006.

Primary Activation



CD25/IL-2R α GENE TRANSCRIPTION DURING T CELL ACTIVATION







Available online at www.sciencedirect.com



Cytokine & Growth Factor Reviews 17 (2006) 349–366



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Survey

Both integrated and differential regulation of components of the IL-2/IL-2 receptor system

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Abstract

Interleukin-2 was discovered in 1976 as a T-cell growth factor. It was the first type I cytokine cloned and the first for which a receptor component was cloned. Its importance includes its multiple actions, therapeutic potential, and lessons for receptor biology, with three components differentially combining to form high, intermediate, and low-affinity receptors. IL-2R α and IL-2R β , respectively, are markers for double-negative thymocytes and regulatory T-cells versus memory cells. γ_c , which is shared by six cytokines, is mutated in patients with X-linked severe-combined immunodeficiency. We now cover an under-reviewed area—the regulation of genes encoding IL-2 and IL-2R components, with an effort to integrate/explain this knowledge.

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Keywords: IL-2; IL-2 receptor; Transcription; γ_c ; XSCID

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REFERENCE 1
AUTHORS Cross,S.L., Feinberg,M.B., Wolf,J.B., Holbrook,N.J., Wong-Staal,F. and Leonard,W.J.
TITLE Regulation of the human interleukin-2 receptor alpha chain promoter: activation of a nonfunctional promoter by the transactivator gene of HTLV-I
JOURNAL Cell 49 (1), 47-56 (1987)
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REFERENCE 2
AUTHORS Cross,S.L., Halden,N.F., Lenardo,M.J. and Leonard,W.J.
TITLE Functionally distinct NF-kappa B binding sites in the immunoglobulin kappa and IL-2 receptor alpha chain genes
JOURNAL Science 244 (4903), 466-469 (1989)
PUBMED [2497520](#)
REFERENCE 3
AUTHORS Lin,B.B., Cross,S.L., Halden,N.F., Roman,D.G., Toledano,M.B. and Leonard,W.J.
TITLE Delineation of an enhancerlike positive regulatory element in the interleukin-2 receptor alpha-chain gene
JOURNAL Mol. Cell. Biol. 10 (2), 850-853 (1990)
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TPA
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50 annotated features, including 6 regulatory regions
and **44** functional regulatory elements with their cognate
transcription factors
20 references (originally 28...)

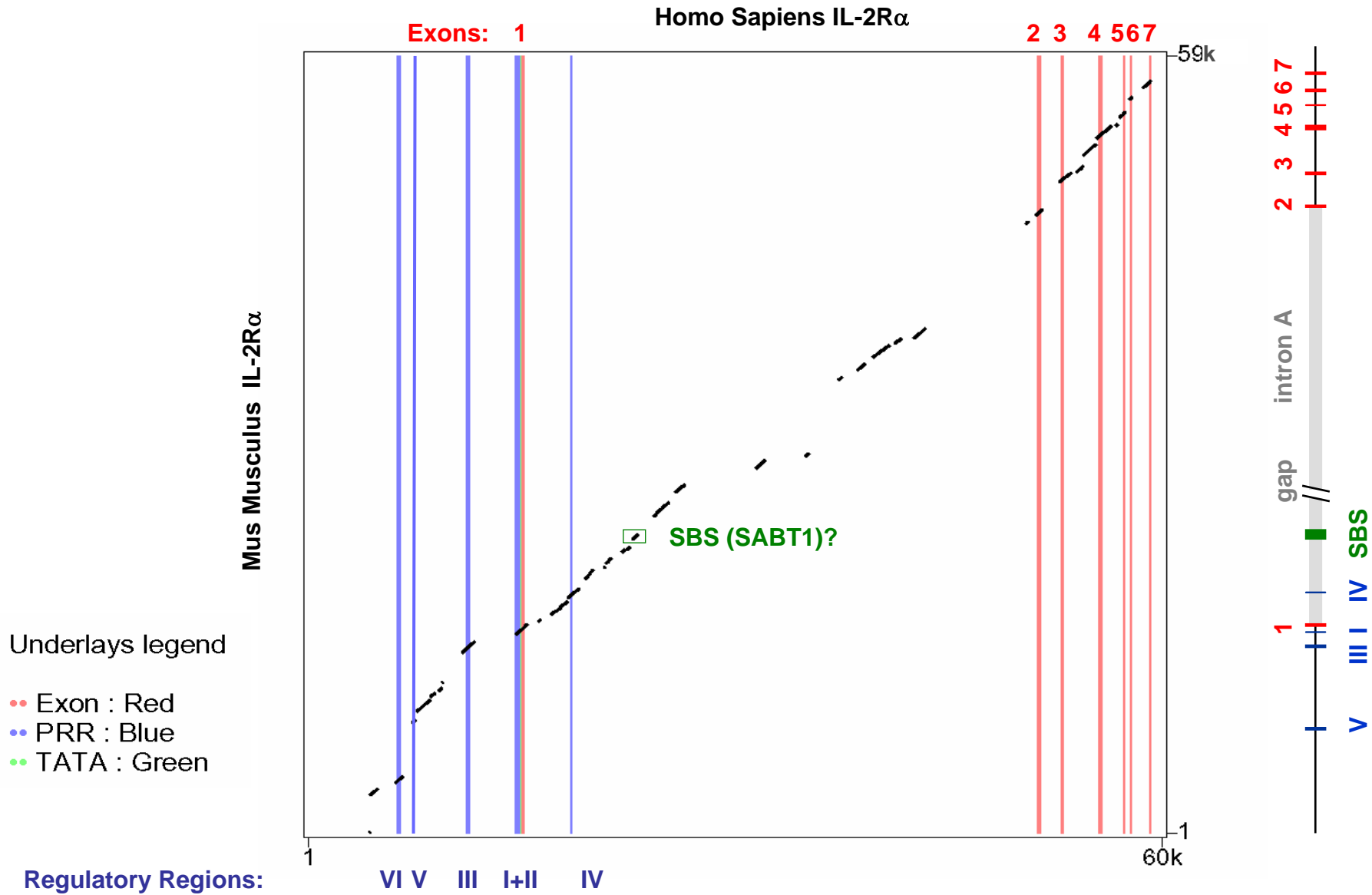
**Phylogenetic footprinting:
two species comparison**

PipMaker

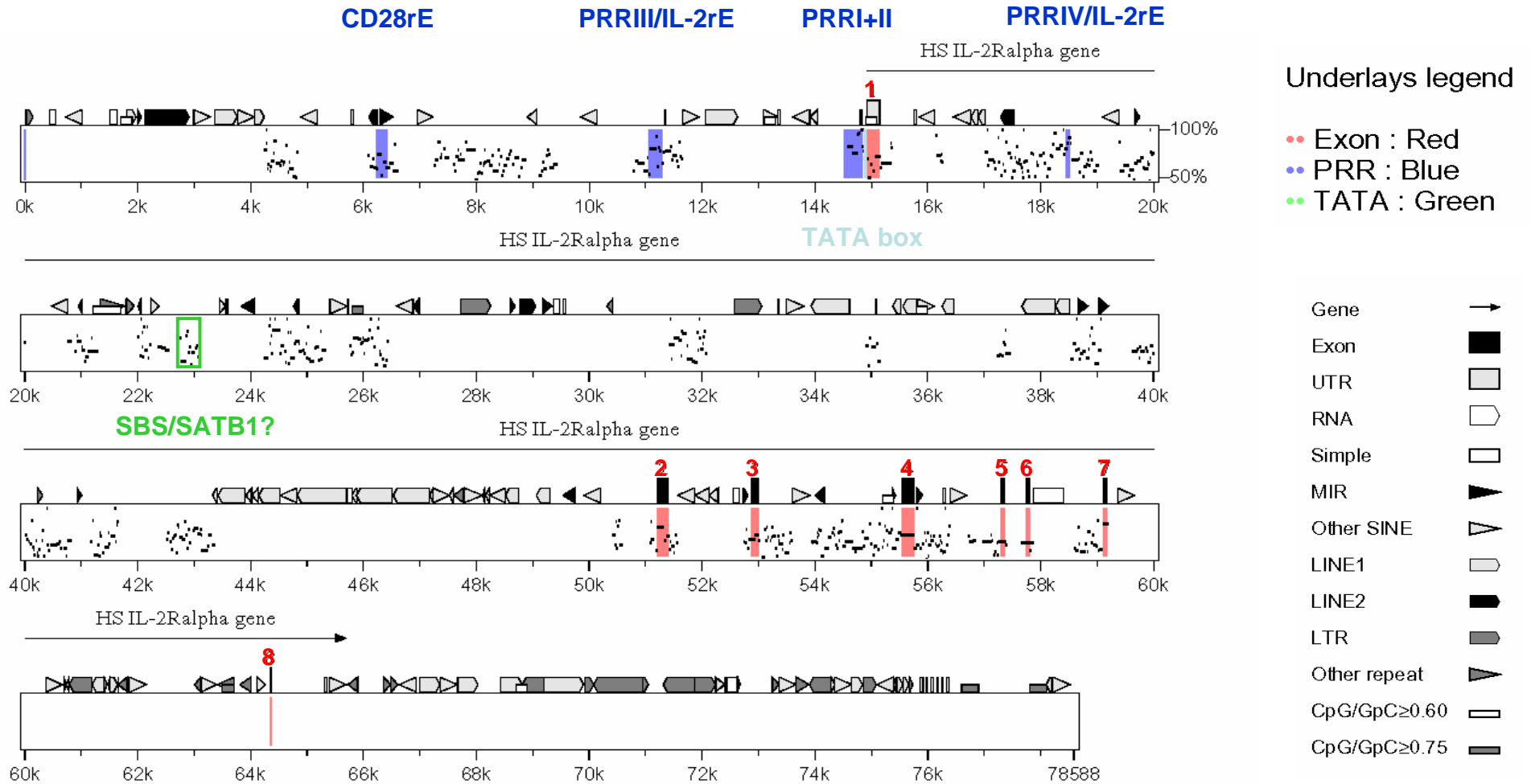
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Homo Sapiens/Mus Musculus IL-2R α locus dotplot comparison



Percent Identity Plot (PIP) of Homo Sapiens and Mus Musculus IL-2R α locus



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In Vivo Footprinting

- 1) Methylation of guanines (major groove) and to a lesser extent of adenines (minor groove) by DMS on living cells
The level of methylation is affected by protein binding to DNA
- 2) Genomic DNA extraction
- 3) Cleavage of methylated residues by piperidine
- 4) LMP-PCR amplification of the region to be analyzed
Last amplification cycles performed with a ^{32}P -labeled primer
- 5) Analysis of the PCR products on sequencing gel

The GASd/EBSd motif is the only putative regulatory element within PRRIII modified *in vivo* in response to an IL-2-dependent induction in human T lymphocytes

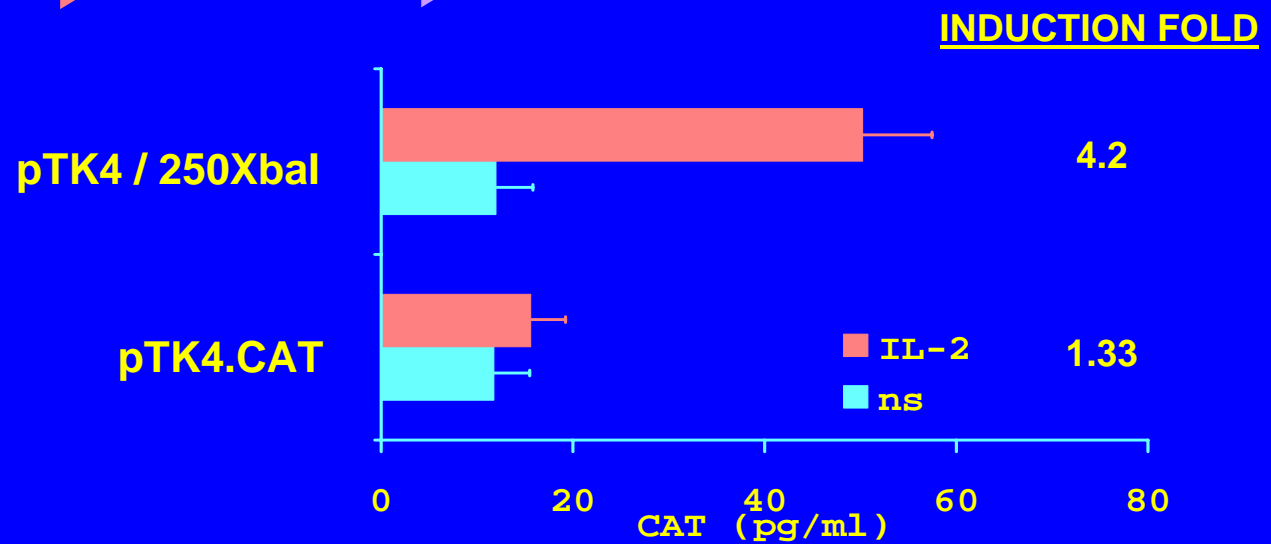
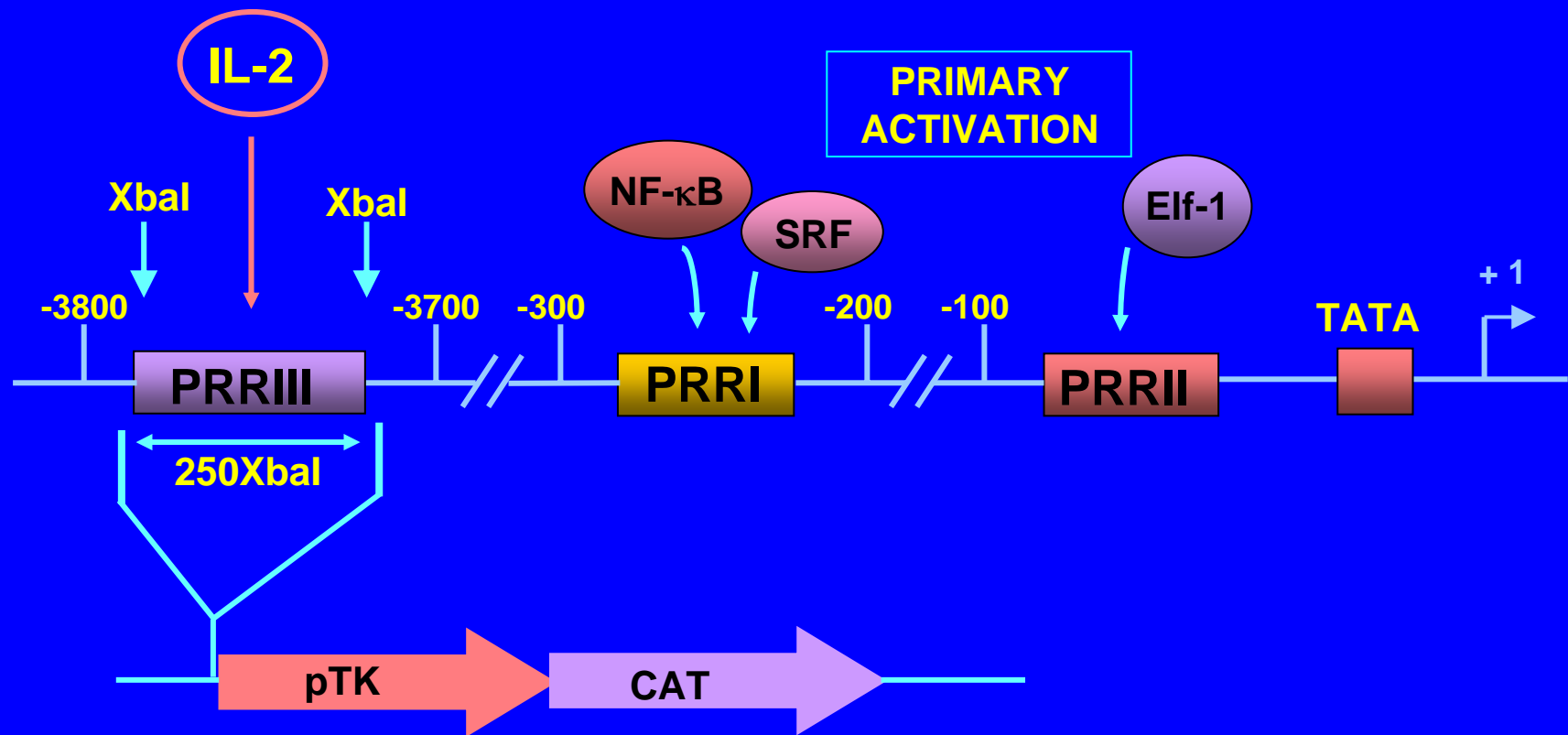
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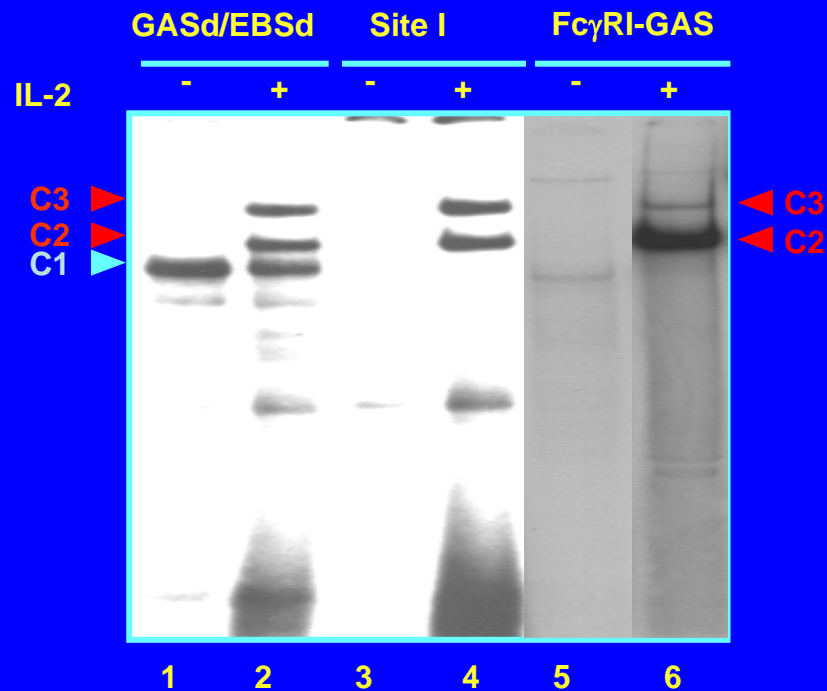
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Gene reporter assay



Electrophoretic Mobility Shift Assay (EMSA)

**Inducibles complex C2 and C3 are GAS-specific
Constitutive complex C1 is EBS-specific**



CD25/IL-2R α GASd/EBSd EMSA probe:

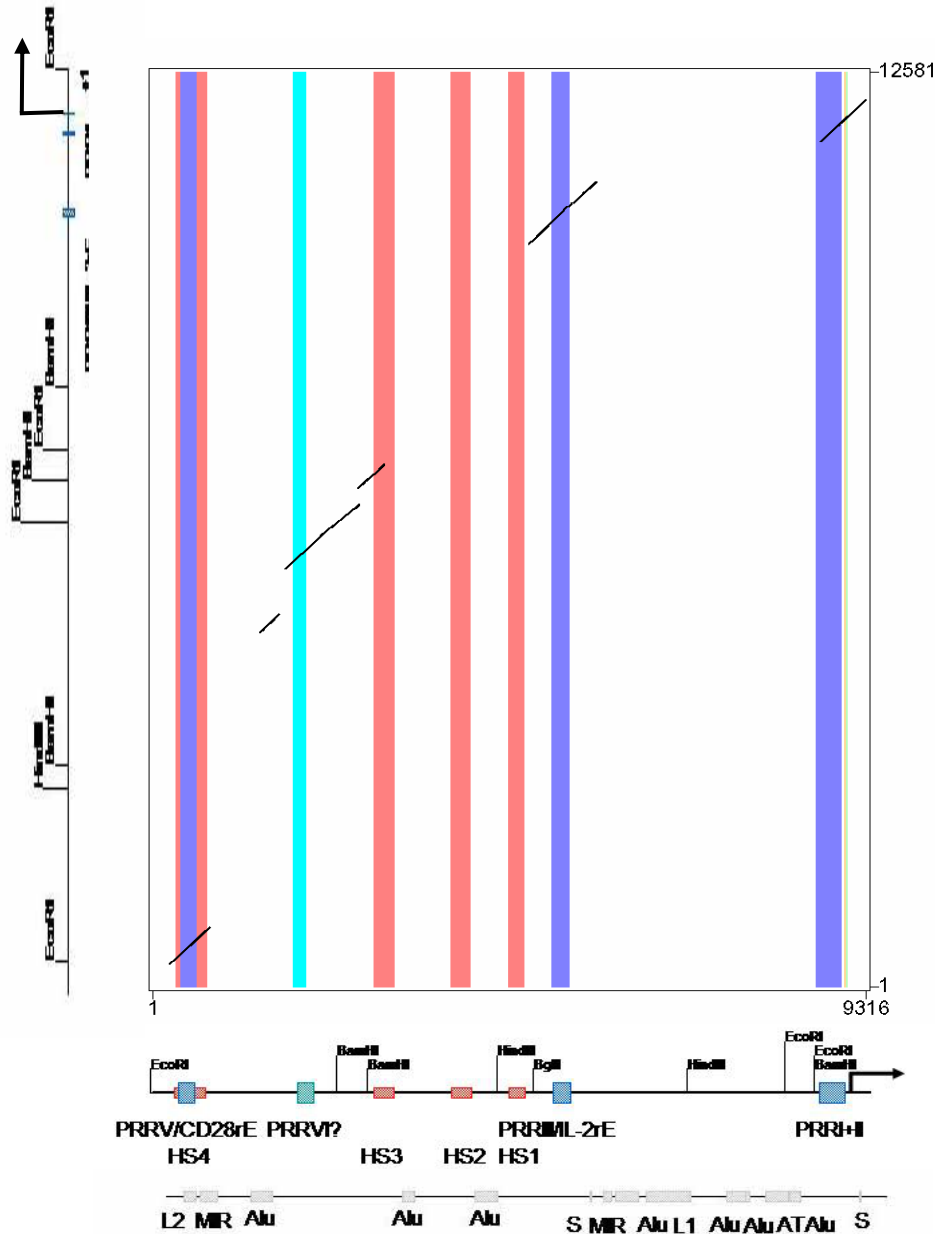
GASd
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AAAGAAGATCCTTCATGG
EBSd

Mouse site I

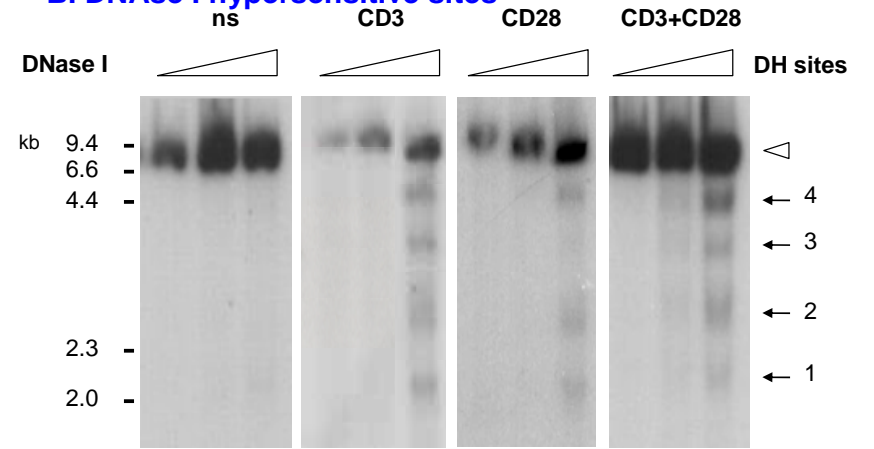
TTTCTTCTGAGAAGTACC
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Phylogenetic footprinting and DNase I hypersensitive site mapping

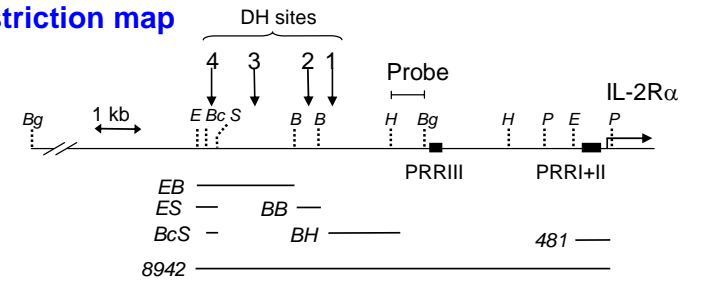
A. Homo Sapiens/Mus musculus CD25/IL-2R α gene



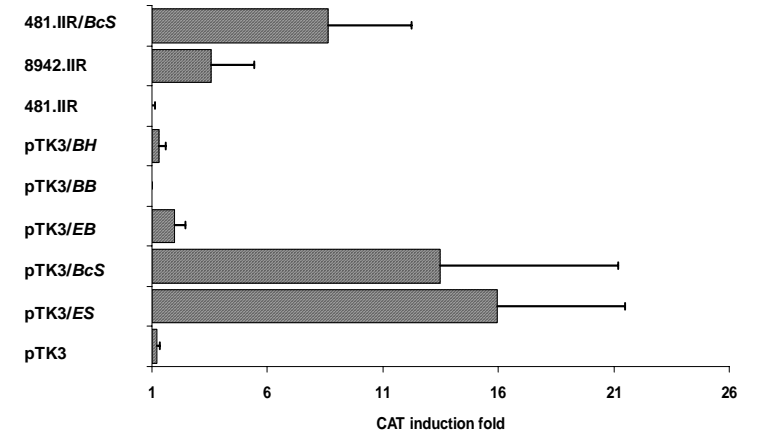
B. DNase I hypersensitive sites



C. Restriction map

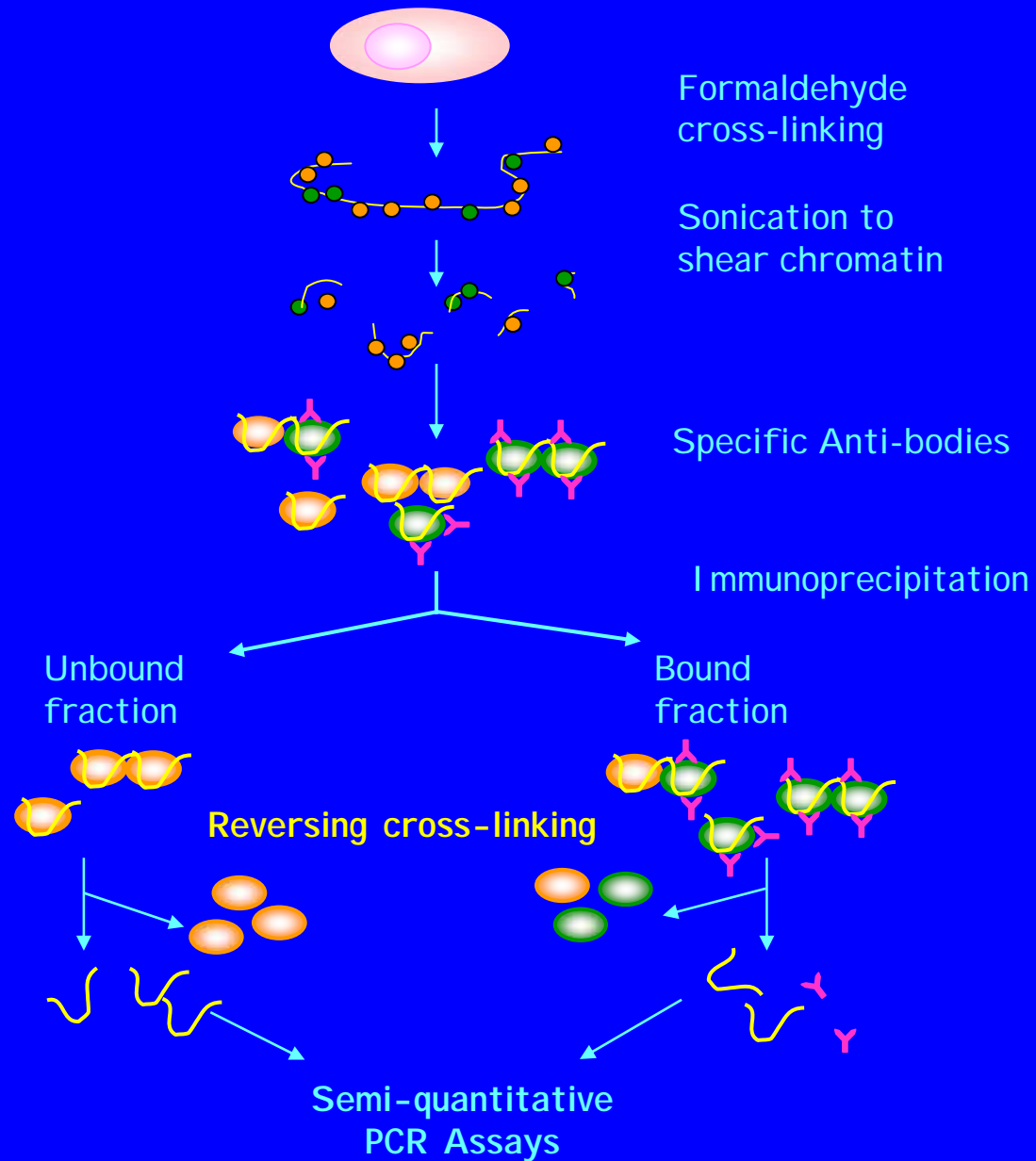


C. Gene reporter assays



Chromatin Immunoprecipitation ChIP Assay

Chromatin immunoprecipitation (ChIP)



Cela ne marche pas toujours...

A Well-Conserved but not Functional Candidate for a CD28 Responsive Enhancer

Comparison of two nucleotidic sequences:

Sequence 1 : cons4HS

Sequence 2 : cons4mus

resetting to DNA matrix
 LALIGN finds the best local alignments between two sequences
 version 2.0u4 Feb. 1996

Please cite:

X. Huang and W. Miller (1991) Adv. Appl. Math. 12:373-381

Comparison of:

(A) cons4HS

(B) cons4mus

using matrix file: DNA, gap penalties: -16/-4

79.6% identity in 201 nt overlap; score: 612

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                                NF-ATp
                                10    20    30    40    50    60
cons4H CATAGTGGATTTTGGTTTTCCACGGGACCCCTGTGCCCTTGTCTAGTAGAACTGGTGGA
      : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : :
cons4m CATAGTGGATTCTGGTTTTCCACAGGACCC-----TGTCTAGTAAAACCTAGTGGA
                                10    20    30                                40    50
                                NF-κB/CD28RC  CREB  Ets
                                70    80    90    100    110    120
cons4H AATTACAAACTGCAGAAATTCAACTCAGTGCCGCAATAACAGGATGCACCTGTAGATTTC
      : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : :
cons4m AATTACAAGCTG-AGAAATTCAGCCTTTGCCACAATAACAGGATGCACCTGTAGATTTC
                                60    70    80    90    100    110
                                GAS
                                130    140    150    160    170    180
cons4H GTAGAATTAGCAGCAGCATTCTTTCAATACCAGTTTGAGAGAAATAACCCTGTTTGCATA
      : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : :
cons4m ACAGAATTAGCTGCTGTCTTCTCTTAACGCCAATTTGAGAGAAAGAAGCCTGTTTGTCTG
                                120    130    140    150    160    170

                                190    200
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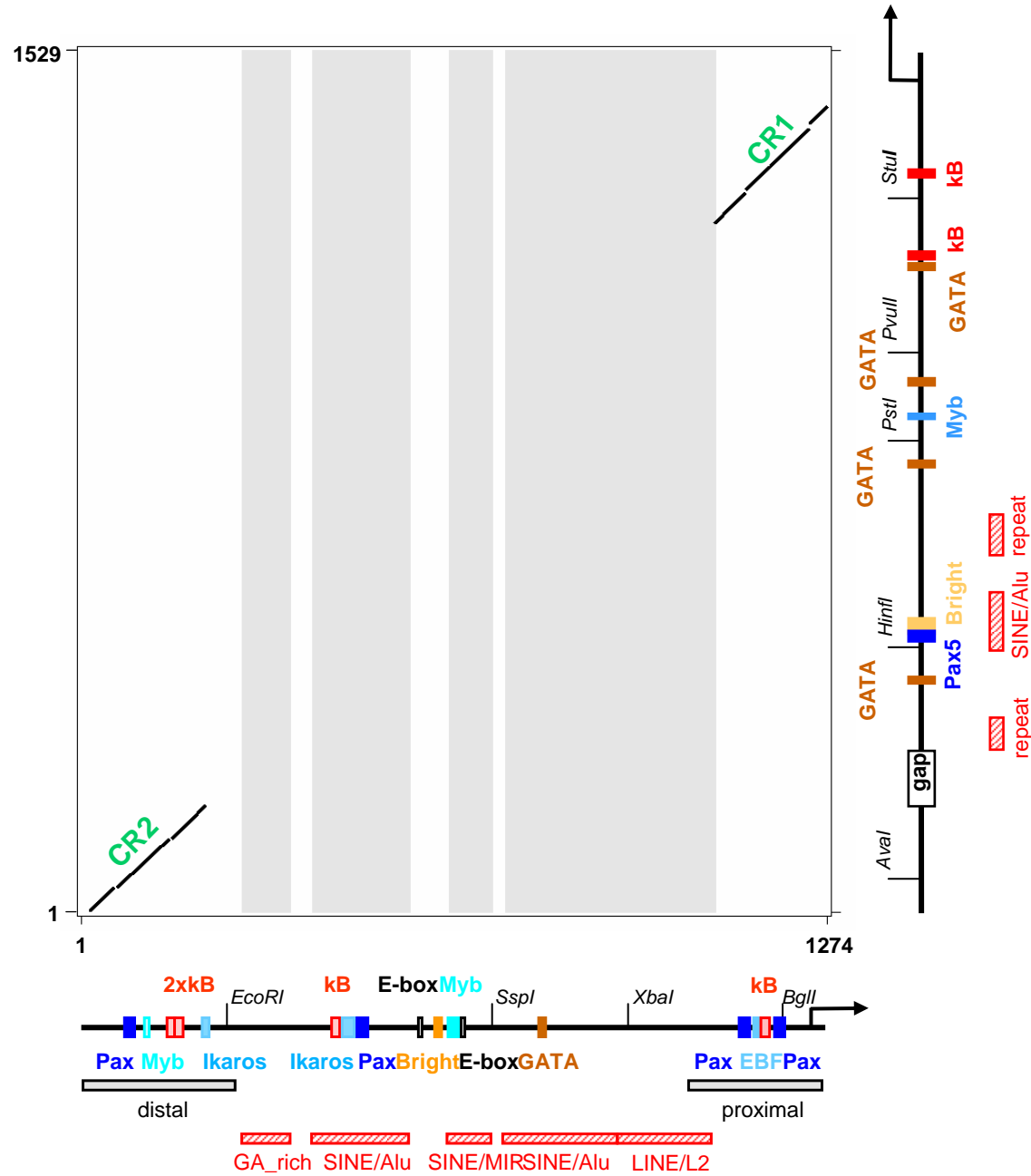

Et il y a des surprises...

Parfois on peut aller très vite de l'ordinateur à la pailasse...

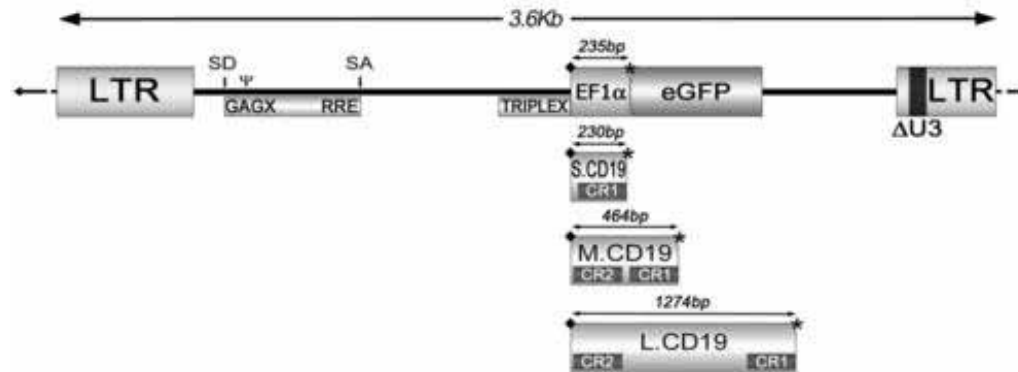
Selection of CD19 B-cell specific regulatory sequence and design of CD19-GFP lentiviral vector

Moreau, T., F. Bardin, J. Imbert, C. Chabannon, and C. Tonnelle. 2004. Restriction of transgene expression to the B-lymphoid progeny of human lentivirally transduced CD34+ cells. Mol.Ther., 2004, in press.

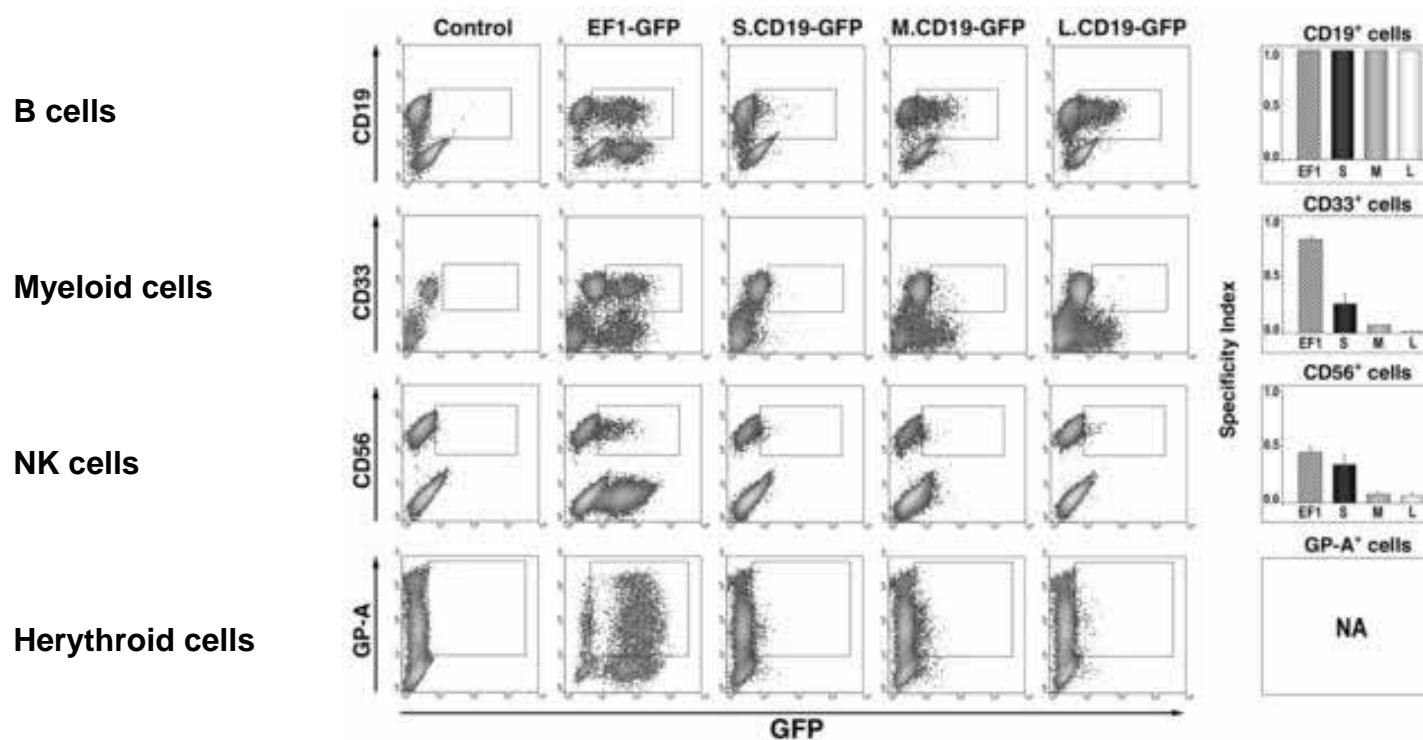
Computational analysis of homologies between Human and Mouse CD19 gene 5' regions



A. Recombinant CD19-GFP lentiviral vectors



B. GFP expression in the progeny of transduced CD34⁺ progenitor cells differentiated in vitro

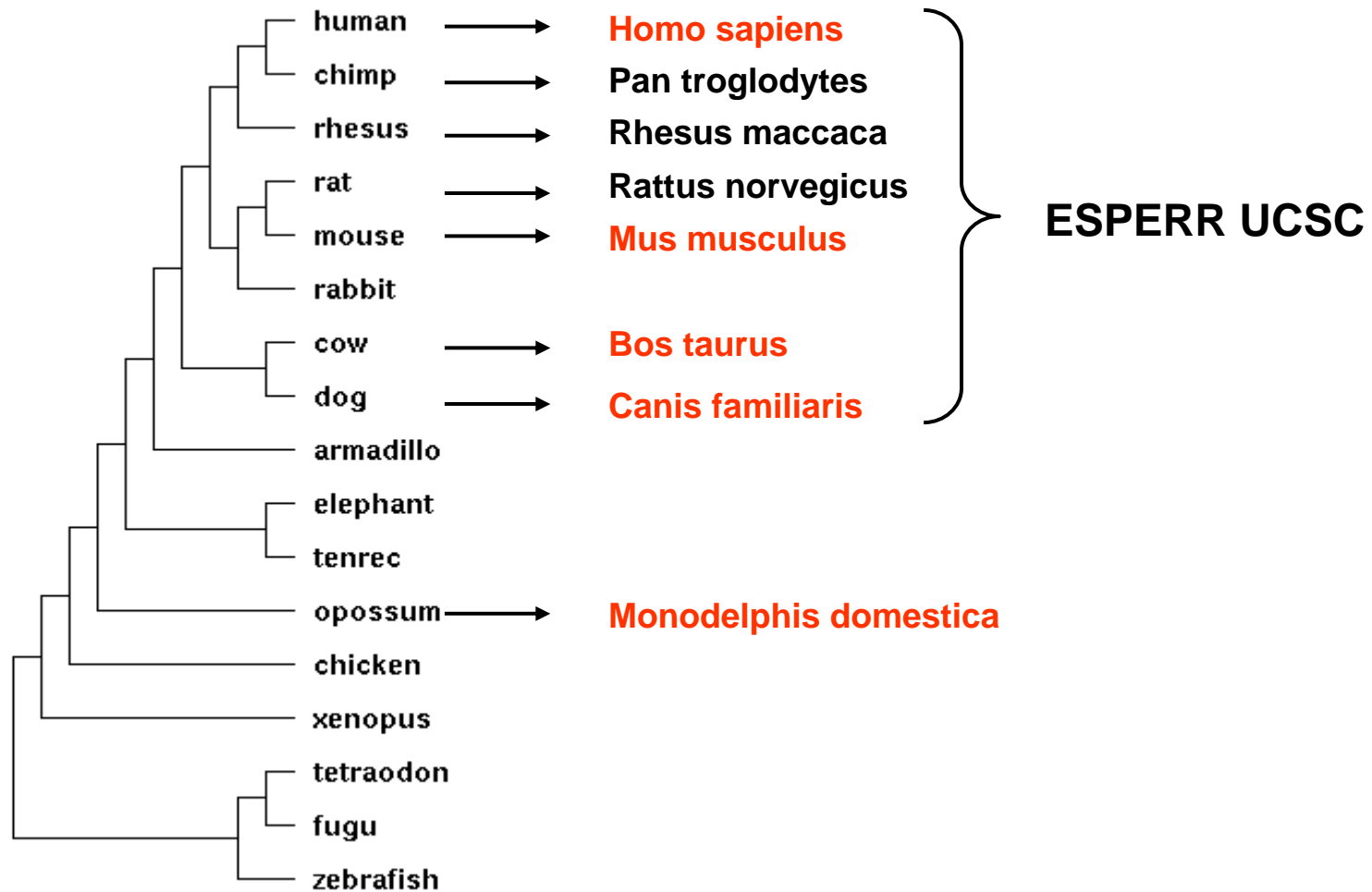


From Moreau et al., Mol. Ther., 2004.

De nouveaux outils...

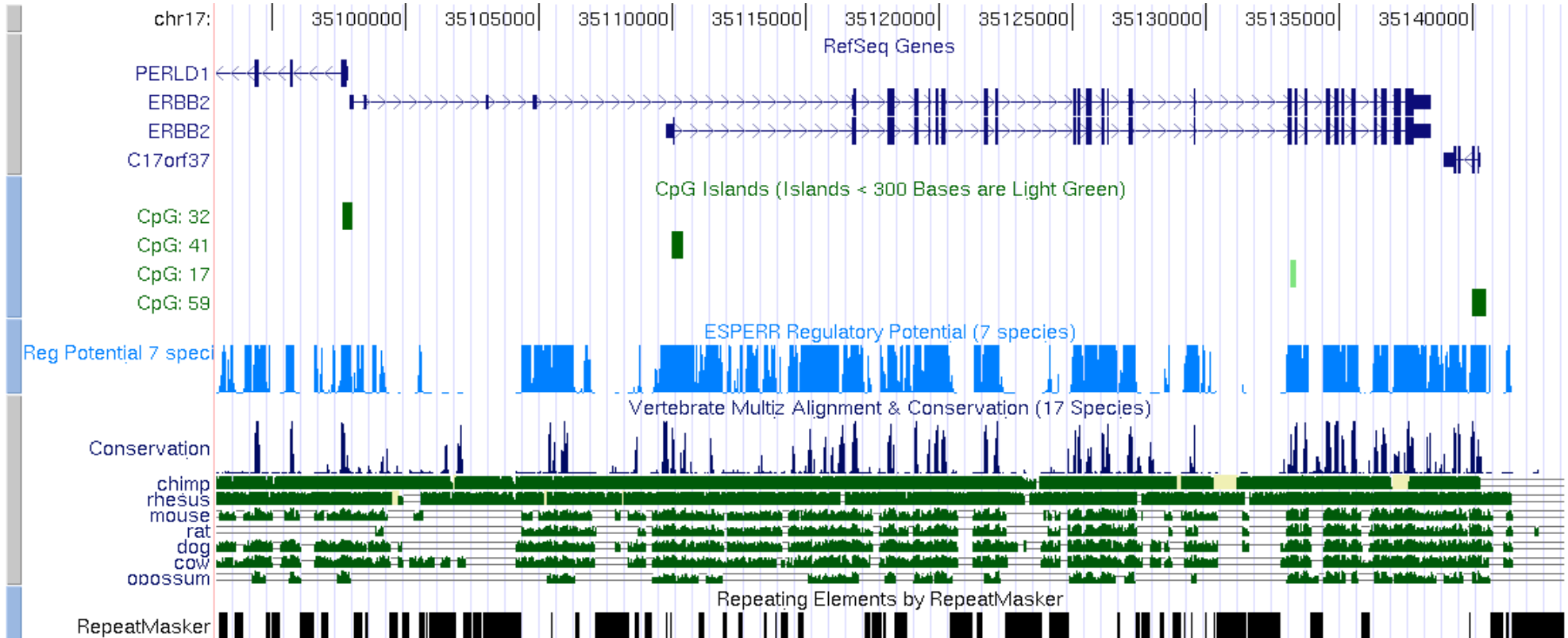
**Phylogenetic footprinting:
multi-species comparison**

Species choice for phylogenetic footprinting analysis



Homo sapiens ERBB2 locus

chr17:35,092,919-35,143,441



UCSC Genome Bioinformatics: <http://genome.ucsc.edu/>

ESPERR Regulatory Potential (7 species): alignments of human, chimpanzee (panTro2), macaque (rheMac2), mouse (mm8), rat (rn4), dog (canFam2), and cow (bosTau2).

VISTA Tools: mVISTA and rVISTA

<http://genome.lbl.gov/vista/>

Frazer KA, Pachter L, Poliakov A, Rubin EM, Dubchak I. VISTA: computational tools for comparative genomics. *Nucleic Acids Res.* 2004 Jul 1;32 (Web Server issue):W273-9

mVISTA

Limits:

- sequence numbers: 2-100
- size: ?

Mayor C., Brudno M., Schwartz J. R., Poliakov A., Rubin E. M., Frazer K. A., Pachter L. S. and Dubchak I. (2000) VISTA: Visualizing Global DNA Sequence Alignments of Arbitrary Length. *Bioinformatics*, 16:1046.

ERBB2 locus

Hs_ERBB2 17:1-50523

Alignment 1
Mm_ERBB2
mm8_dna (+)
71-49298
Criteria: 70%, 100 bp
Regions: 55

Alignment 2
Bt_ERBB2
bosTau2_dna (+)
1-44427
Criteria: 70%, 100 bp
Regions: 115

Alignment 3
Cf_ERBB2
canFam2_dna (-)
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Regions: 117

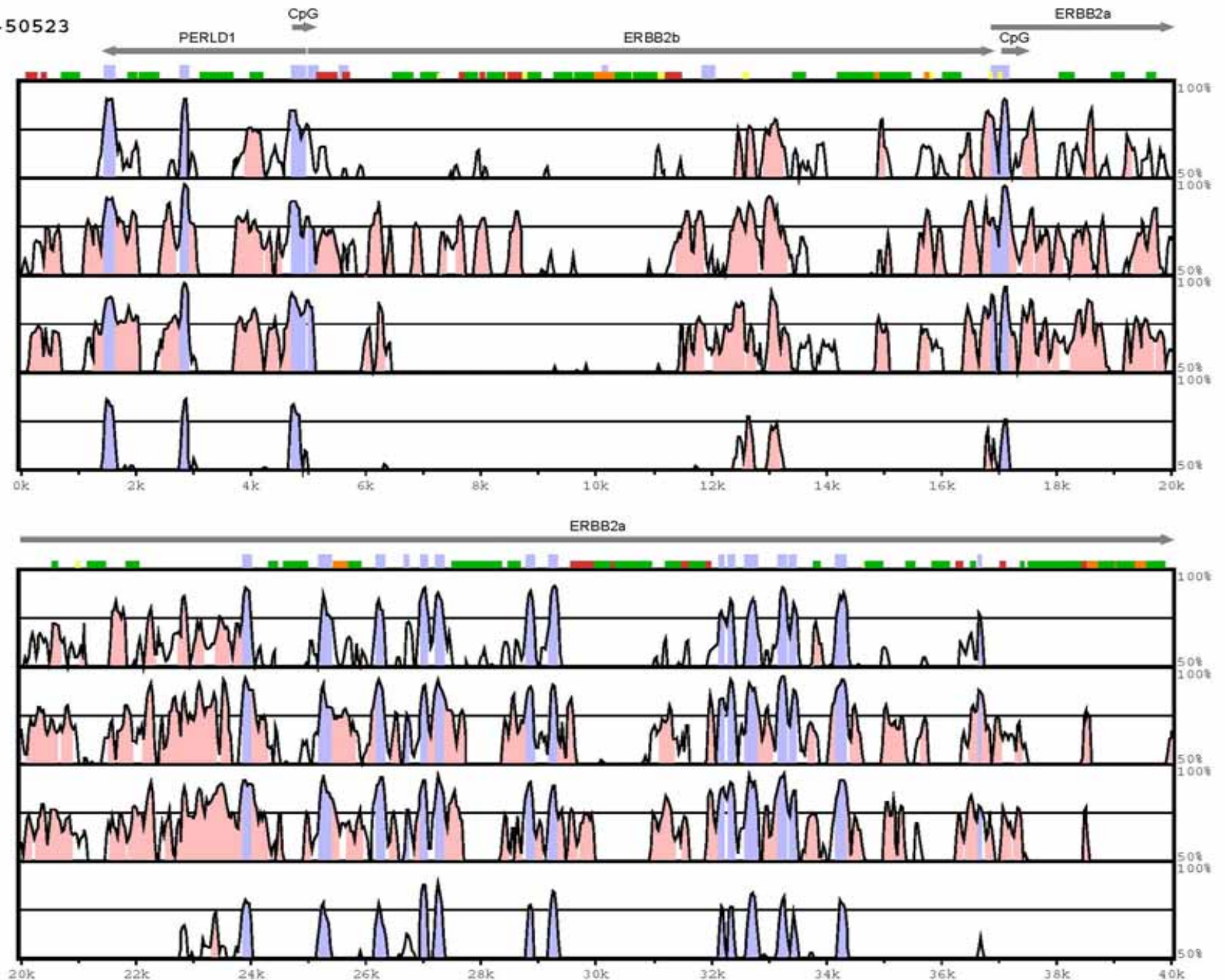
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Regions: 35

X-axis: Hs_ERBB2
Resolution: 31
Window size: 100 bp

gene
exon
UTR
CNS
mRNA

Repeats:

LINE
LTR
SINE
RNA
DNA
Other



rVISTA

Limits:

- **sequence numbers: 2-100**
- **size: 20 Kb per sequence for a total of 60 Kb**

Loots, G., Ovcharenko, I., Pachter, L., Dubchak, I., Rubin, E. rVISTA for comparative sequence-based discovery of functional transcription factor binding sites. (2002) *Genome. Res.* 12:832-839

Hs_ERBB2 HS_ErbB2_locus_20kb:1-20000

Alignment 1
 Mm_ERBB2
 MM_ErbB2_20kb (+)
 1-19205
 Criteria: 70%, 100 bp
 Regions: 15

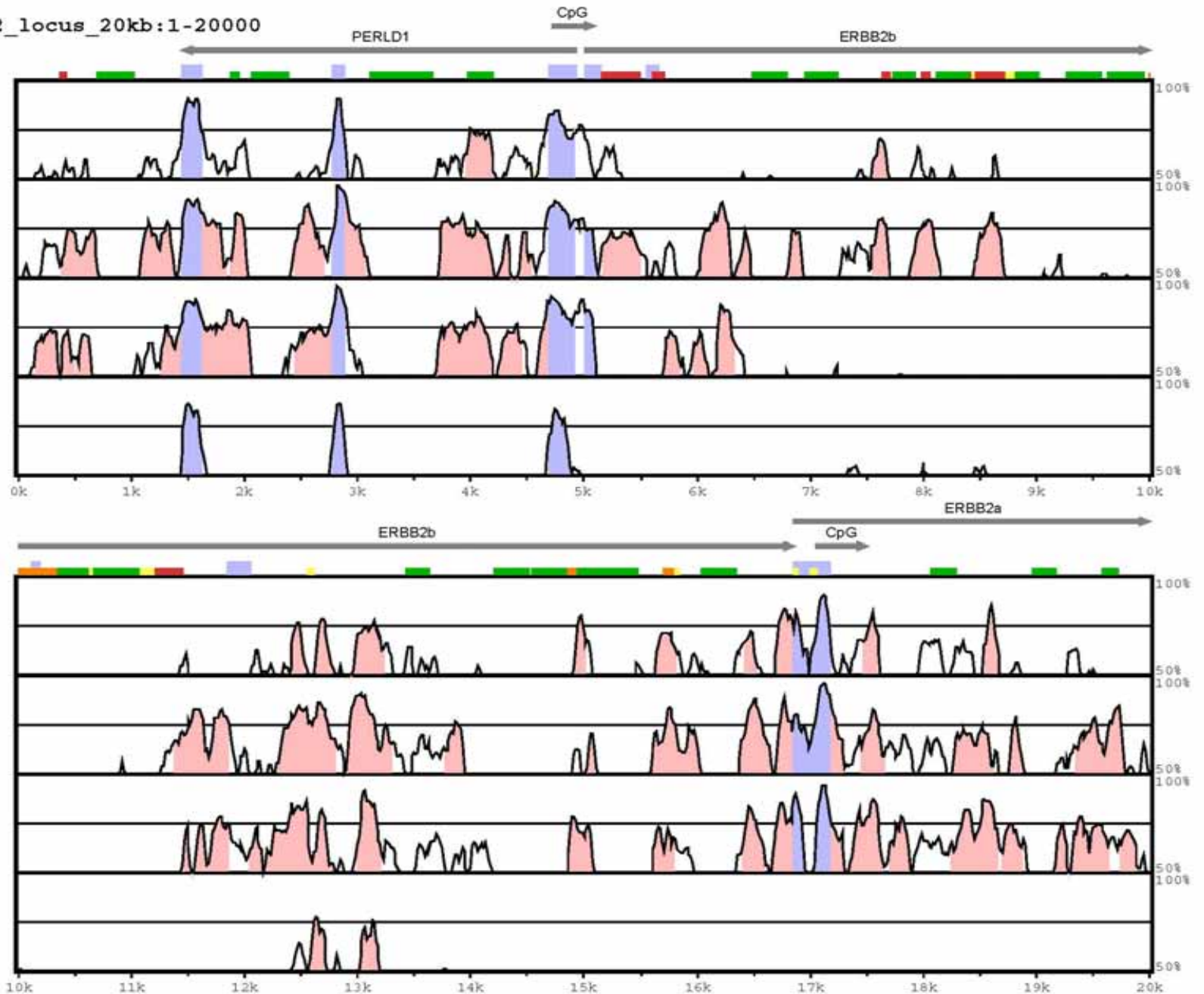
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 12-18367
 Criteria: 70%, 100 bp
 Regions: 38

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 Regions: 36

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 Criteria: 70%, 100 bp
 Regions: 5

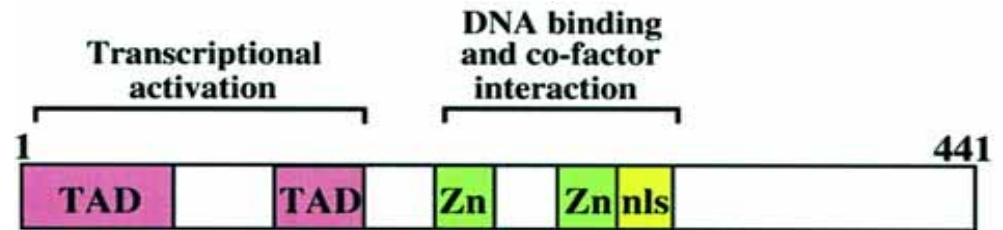
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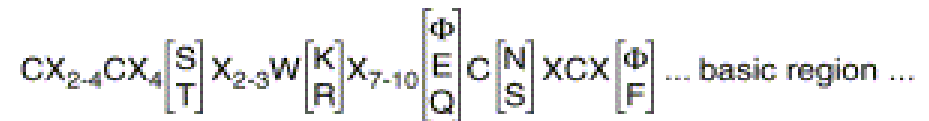


GATA-4: a member of the GATA family (GATA-1/6)

A. GATA-4

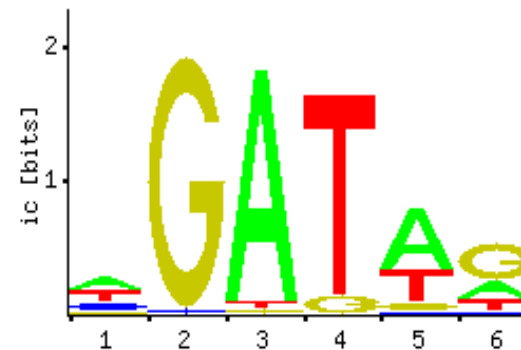


B. Consensus DNA binding domain of the GATA factor family



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C. GATA-3 consensus DNA binding motif

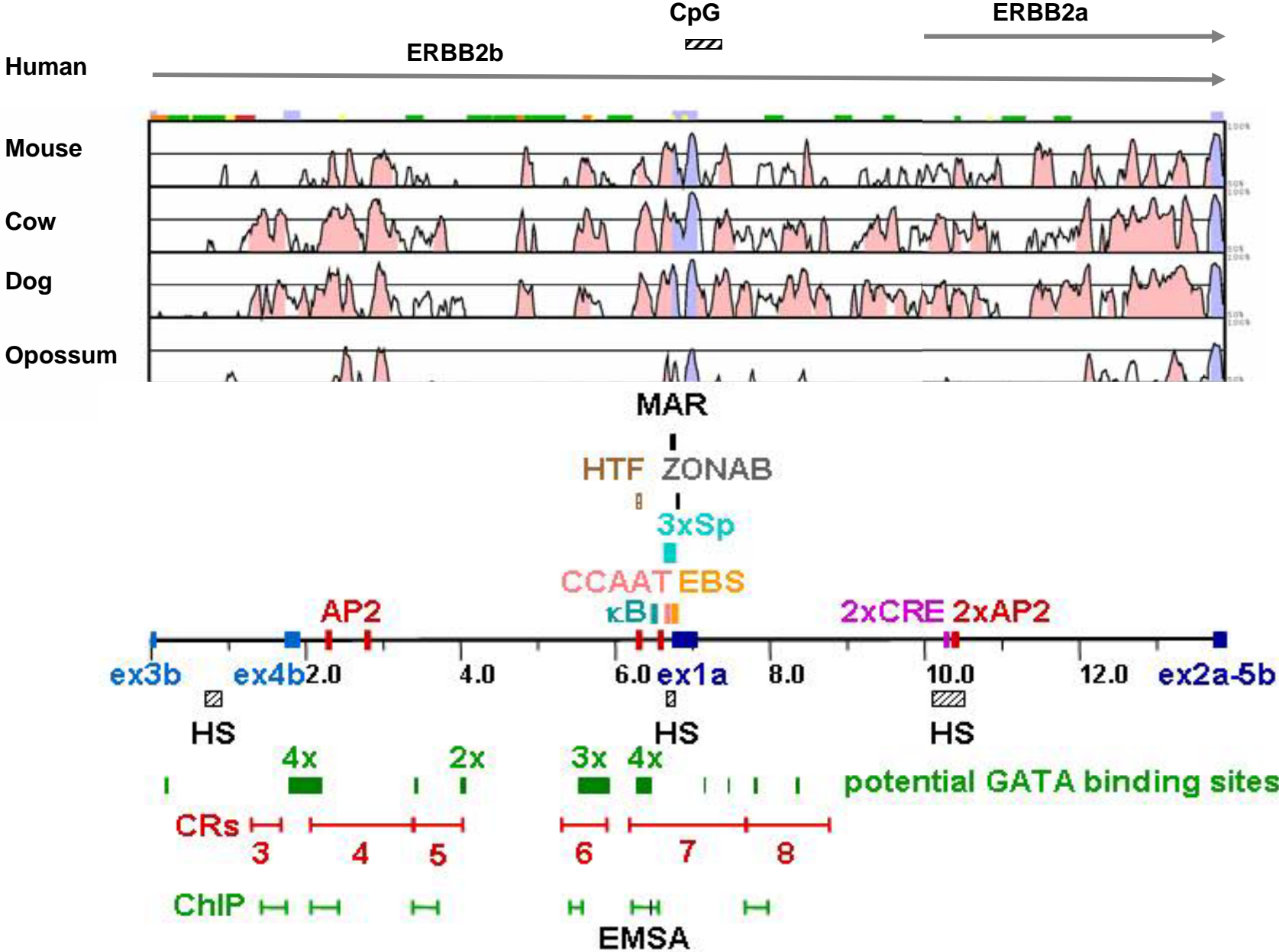


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C	[14	1	0	0	1	3]
G	[4	62	1	5	4	37]
T	[20	0	1	58	19	8]

**(A/T/C)GATA(A/G)
WGATAR**

chromosomal localization
8p23.1-8p23.1*

Homo sapiens ERBB2a regulatory regions (13,883 bases)





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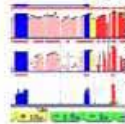
DCODE.org Comparative Genomics Center is a publicly available resource for regulatory genome data mining. It provides tools for evolutionary comparisons, sequence alignments, and detection of functional sequence patterns.

News

November 7, 2006

"**ECRbase**: Database of Evolutionary Conserved Regions, Promoters, and Transcription Factor Binding Sites in Vertebrate Genomes" manuscript describing a new Dcode.org resource was published in *Bioinformatics* [[PDF](#)].

Whole genome alignments



ECR Browser -- Evolutionary conservation of multiple genomes. Identification and sequence analysis of regulatory elements.

Genome Alignment -- Align your FASTA nucleotide sequence to a genome of choice.

Multiple and pairwise sequence alignments



Mulan -- Full multiple sequence alignment. [Interactive conservation profiles, phylogenetic trees, etc.]

zPicture -- Stacked pairwise and multiple sequence alignment.

eShadow -- Phylogenetic shadowing of closely related species.

Identification of conserved transcription factor binding sites (cTFBS)

XVENT1_01 Excluding up to 95% false positive TFBS predictions using sequence conservation as a filter.



multiTF -- cTFBS in multiple sequence alignments.

rVista 2.0 -- cTFBS in pairwise alignments.

Regulation of co-expressed genes



SynoR -- Prediction of synonymous regulatory elements in vertebrate genomes.

Creme 2.0 -- Identification of cTFBS modules specific to promoters of co-expressed human genes.

Additional resources



Xenomics -- *Xenopus tropicalis* computational resources

Insitu.dcode.org - *Xenopus tropicalis in situ* database

Reverse complement a nucleotide sequence

Primers/oligos selection tool

Batch **sequence retrieval** from the UCSC Genome Browser

Google Health News

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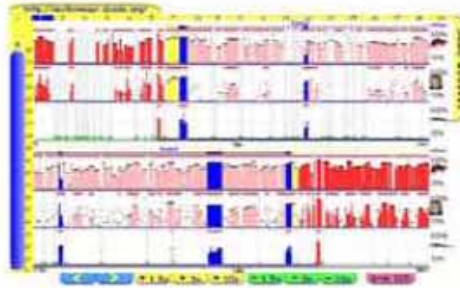
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ECR Browser

<http://ecrbrowser.dcode.org/>



The [ECR Browser](#) is a dynamic whole-genome navigation tool for visualizing and studying evolutionary relationships between vertebrate and non-vertebrate genomes. The tool is constantly being updated to include the most recently available sequenced genomes (currently: **human, dog, mouse, rat, chicken, frog** two pufferfish (*Fugu* and *Tetraodon*), **zebrafish**, and **6 fruitflies**).

Evolutionary Conserved Regions (ECRs) that have been mapped within alignments of the genomes are presented in this graphical browser, which depicts and color-codes ECRs in relation to known genes that have been annotated in the base genome. 'Grab ECR' feature allows users to rapidly extract sequences that correspond to any ECR, to visualize underlying sequence alignments and/or identify conserved transcription factor binding sites.

In addition to accessing pre-computed alignments for the available genomes, the ECR Browser can also be used as an alignment tool. It allows users to map submitted sequences to specific homologous positions within the genomes and to create a detailed alignment using the blastz alignment program.

Please note: Not all alignments are visible by default. Click "Browser Settings" to see all available alignments

Run the ECR Browser

Select a base organism and indicate the name of a gene or a chromosomal location (*chr1:from-to* format)

Human (Mar'06) (hg18)

GATA2

Submit

[GENOME ALIGNMENT](#): Align your sequence to either Human, Mouse, Rat, Chicken, Fugu or Drosophila genome

Help

- [Details](#) of the alignment strategy and ECR Browser structure.
- [Instructions](#) on how to use the ECR Browser.

Citing the ECR Browser

I. Ovcharenko, M.A. Nobrega, G.G. Loots, and L. Stubbs

ECR Browser: a tool for visualizing and accessing data from comparisons of multiple vertebrate genomes
Nucleic Acids Research, 32, W280-W286 (2004) [[PDF](#)]

Special features:

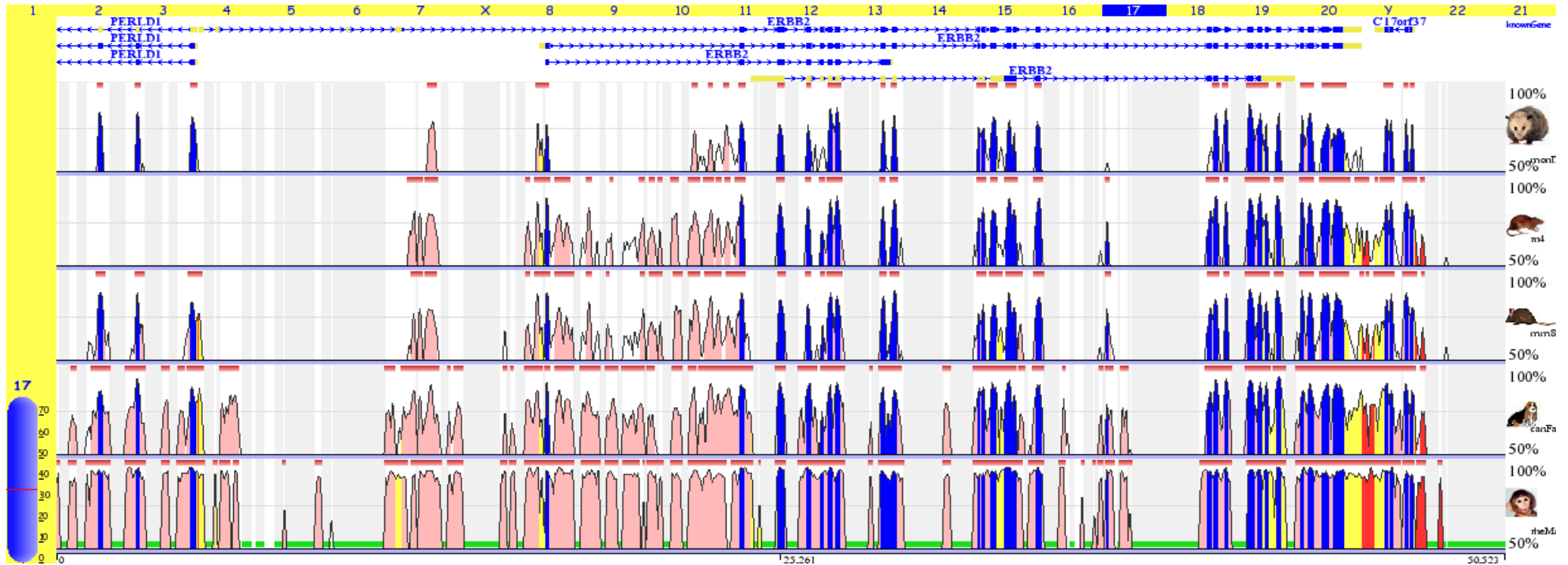
- **Identification of regions of homology and significant paralogy between the base sequence and other aligned genomes:** The user can retrieve locations of homologous sequences within aligned genomes and view the extent of sequence match to the base genome. [Details](#).
- **User-determined parameters:** The browser permits the user to decide the lengths and percent identities that will be considered significant, and which will be highlighted on the viewing screen and available for download and analysis. [Details](#).
- **Easy retrieval and analysis of ECR sequences and ready access to underlying alignments:** In the ECR browser, conserved sequence peaks are not simply static features on a graph, but are active links that permit easy access to sequences and alignments. The user can retrieve ECR sequences and send them on for additional analysis, such as [rVista](#). A tool to facilitate primer design for experimental manipulation of conserved exons, enhancers, or other elements is also provided. [Details](#).
- **A dynamic portal to several other sequence analysis tools** ([UCSC Genome Browser](#), [GALA](#) annotation database, [Ensembl](#), [Rat Genome Browser](#) at [MCW](#), [NCBI](#), [zPicture](#) and [rVista 2.0](#) tools) providing users with a wide range of choices for detailed evolutionary analysis and follow-up studies that might include annotating novel genes using mRNA, EST and conserved sequence data or analysis of transcription factor binding sites.

About the ECR Browser

The ECR Browser was developed by [Ivan Ovcharenko](#) with help from Marcelo Nobrega, [Gabriela Loots](#) and [Lisa Stubbs](#).

Homo sapiens ERBB2 locus

chr17:35,092,919-35,143,441

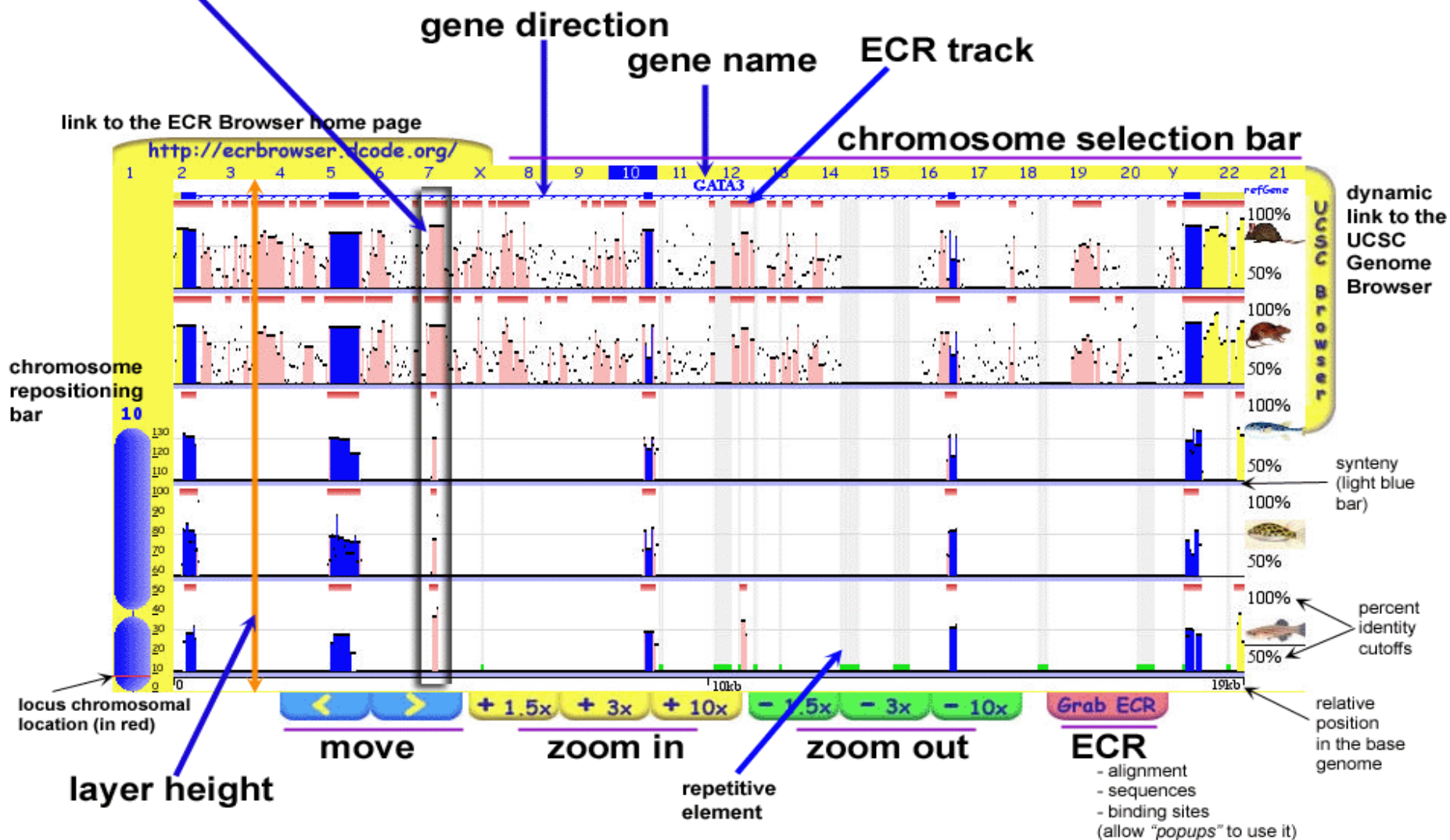


G.G. Loots and I. Ovcharenko

ECRbase: Database of Evolutionary Conserved Regions, Promoters, and Transcription Factor Binding Sites in Vertebrate Genomes. *Bioinformatics*, 23(1):122-4 (2007)

ECR Browser (<http://ecrbrowser.dcode.org/>) legend

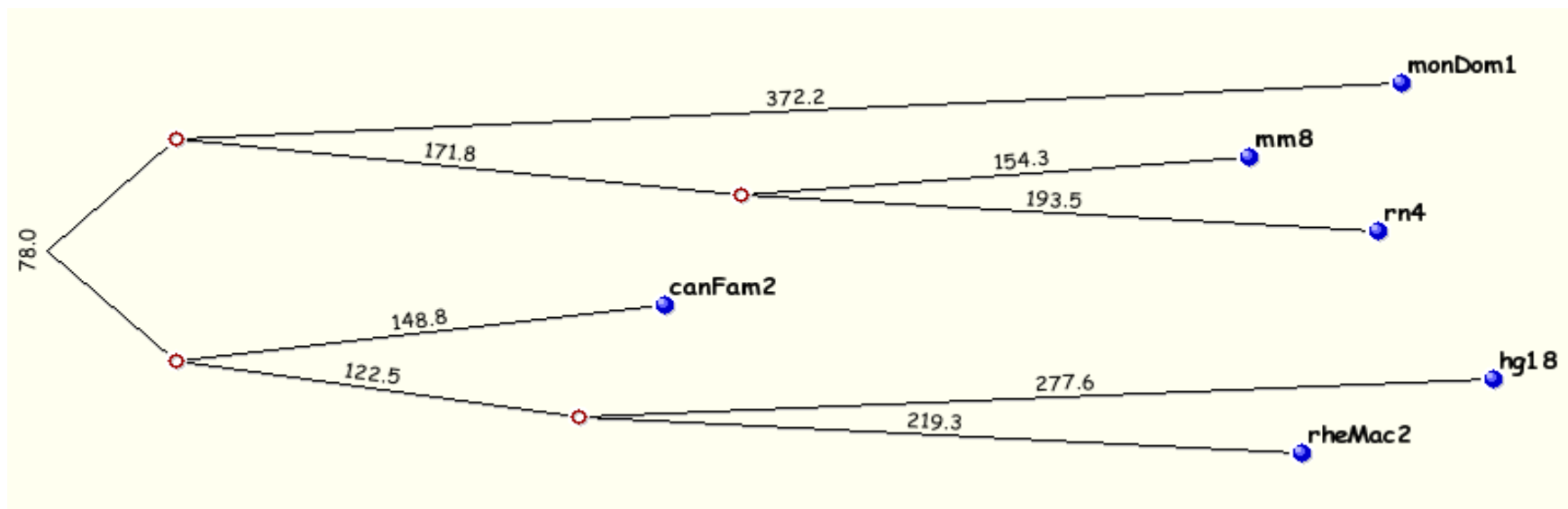
putative regulatory ECR
(ECR that is conserved in all vertebrate species)



Color codes

Species





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multiTF :: [http:// multif . dcode . org](http://multif.dcode.org)

multiTF identifies transcription factor binding sites conserved across multiple species

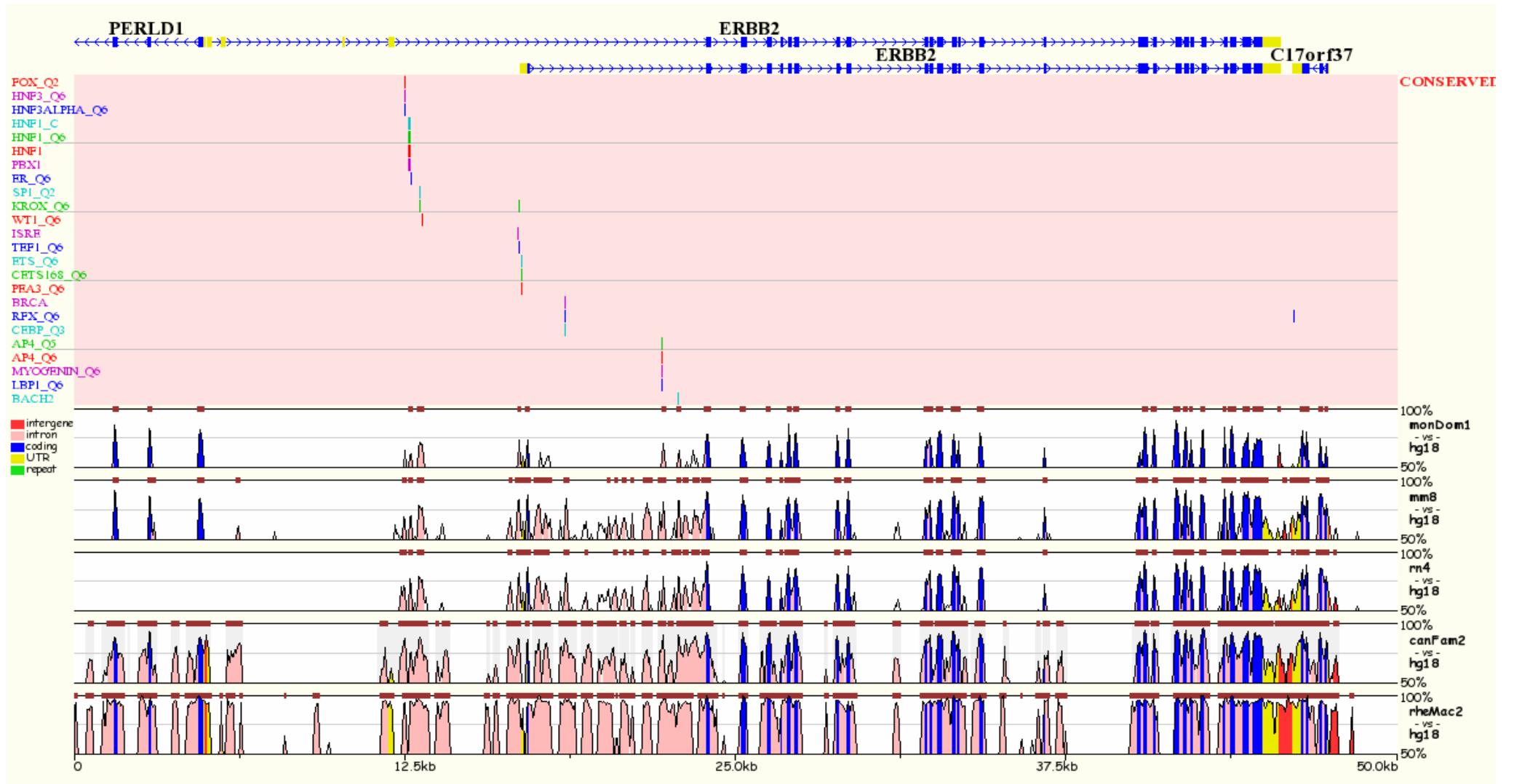
There are 3 different ways to **initiate a multiTF search**:

- 1** **Mulan** (mulan.dcode.org) multiple sequence alignments of FINISHED sequences can be automatically submitted to multiTF from the results web page.
- 2** **GALA** (Genome Alignment and Annotation Database; <http://gala.cse.psu.edu/>) automatically forwards genome alignment data to Mulan for the subsequent multiTF post-processing.
- 3** **ECR Browser** (ecrbrowser.dcode.org) multi-genome sequence data can be automatically forwarded to Mulan and then to multiTF by using the "Synteny/Alignments" feature of the tool.

Return to previously submitted request. ID:

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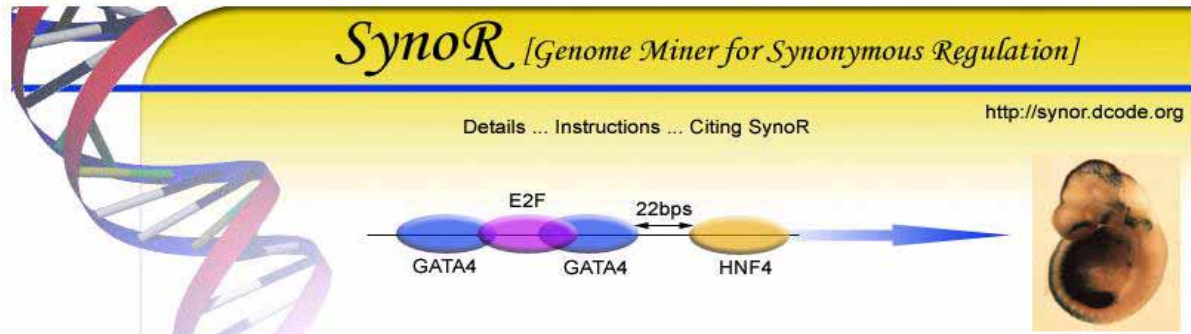
multiTF: ERBB2 Hs-Md-Mm-Cf-Rm



SynoR: <http://synor.dcode.org/>

Synonymous gene regulation (identified by shared tissue and timepoint specificities) is established through genomic elements that contain a specific cluster of transcription factor binding sites (TFBS). SynoR performs vertebrate genome scans for evolutionary conserved clusters of TFBS in a predefined configuration to identify synonymous regulatory elements (SREs). SynoR searches for SREs by utilizing known patterns of TFBS in active regulatory elements (REs) as seeds for genome scans. Multiple-species conservation layers allow the use of differential conservation filters in the search for SREs and SynoR results provide an extensive annotation of identified genes that contain detected REs. Gene Ontology classifiers are utilized to perform functional classification of the identified genes, and integrated GNF Expression Atlas data permits on-the-fly analysis of tissue-specificities of predicted SREs.

I. Ovcharenko and M.A. Nobrega. Identifying synonymous regulatory elements in vertebrate genomes. *Nucleic Acids Research*, 33, W403-7, 2005.



SynoR [Genome Miner for Synonymous Regulation]

Details ... Instructions ... Citing SynoR <http://synor.dcode.org>

1. List transcription factors

TFBS cluster specifications:
 (Format: <name> <count> <strand>)

STAT5A
 STAT5B
 ETS
 HMG1Y

Fix the order of TFBS

Example:
 (see [Instructions](#) for details)
 GATA4 2 +
 HNF4_01

[List of available TFBS](#)

2. Specify distance limitations between neighboring binding sites

at least bps, but not more than bps
 (Note: The minimal distance is 3 bps, the maximal is 1000 bps.)

3. Select genomes

base genome:
 comparison genome(s):

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Results

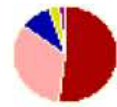
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132 TFBS module instances identified in **human (hg18)** -vs- **mouse (mm8)** genome alignments.

Detailed modules' annotation: [\[table\]](#) -or- [\[text\]](#)

[location, length, sequence, gene type, neighboring genes, cross-species conservation analysis]

Module types:



intergenic	68 (52%)
intron	44 (33%)
cds	13 (10%)
utr	4 (3%)
promoter	3 (2%)

Functional annotation of genes corresponding to noncoding modules:

- Enrichment in Gene Ontology categories: [\[table\]](#) and [\[text\]](#)
- Tissue-specificity of identified genes: [all noncoding](#) -or- [excluding distant \(over 50k\) elements/genes](#)
(Using expression data from [GNF Expression Atlas2](#). [GNF disclaimer on data distribution.](#))

Chromosomal distribution (click on the image to enlarge it):



Search seed:

group strand count TFBS

1	+-	1	STAT5A_01 or STAT5B_01 or STAT5A_02 or STAT5A_03
2	+-	1	ETS1_B or ETS2_B or ETS_Q4
3	+-	1	HMG1Y_Q6

distance limitations: 4 .. 100

Contact Ivan Ovcharenko (ovcharenko1@llnl.gov) if you have any questions or suggestions

Microsoft Excel - SynR Stat5-Ets-HMGiY s01080816575494.xls

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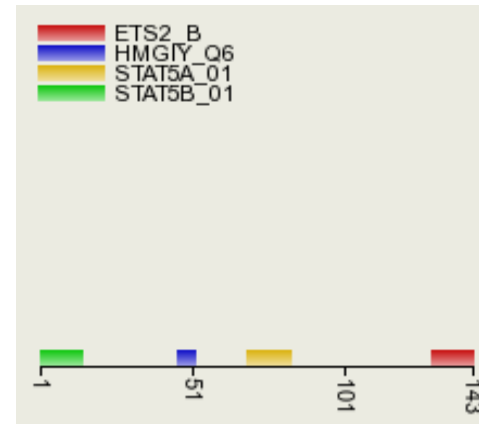
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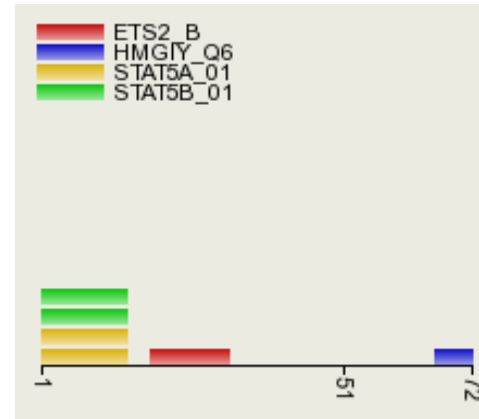
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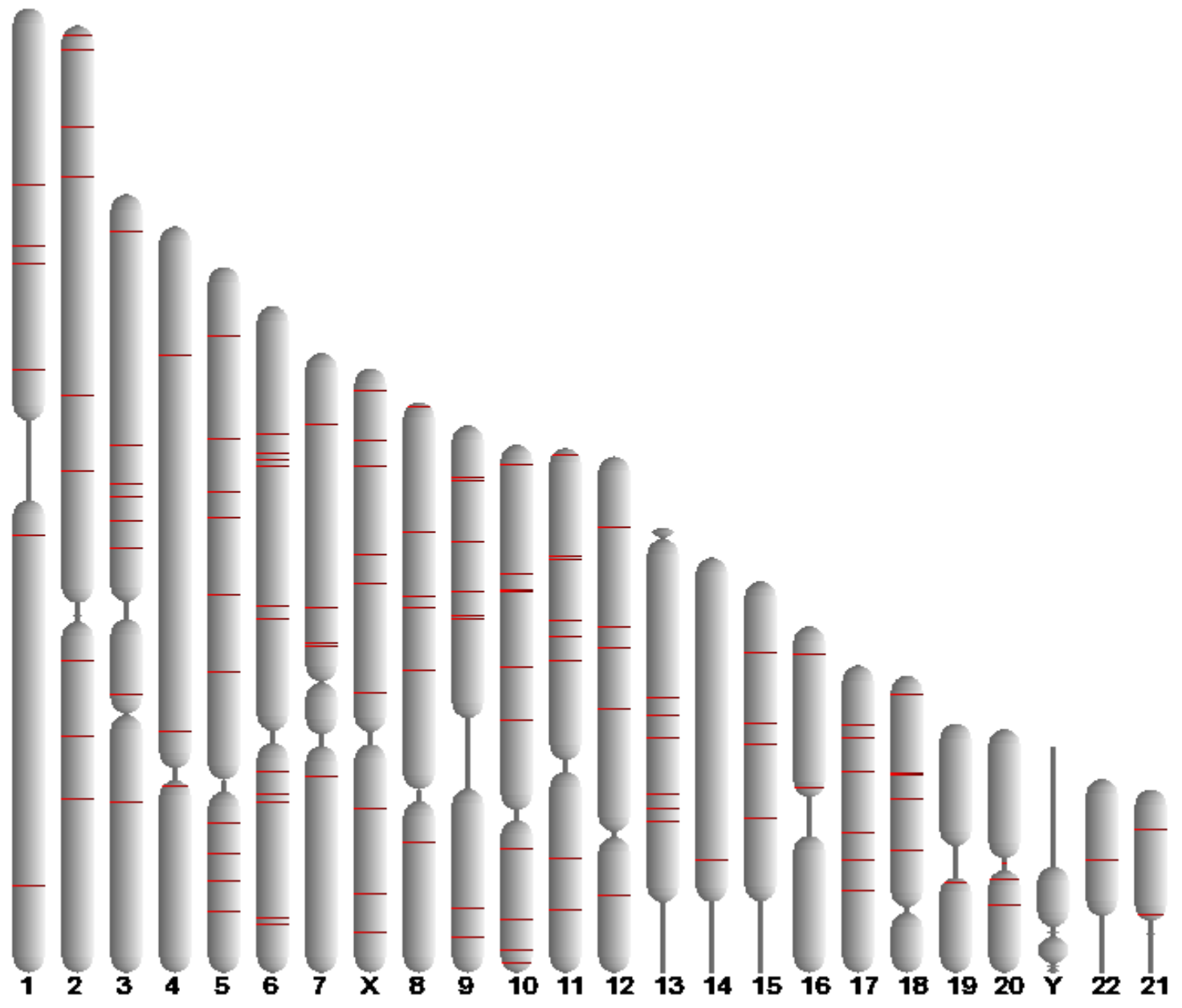
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CREME 2.0 :: Cis-REGulatory Module Explorer - Windows Internet Explorer

http://creme.dcode.org/

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CREME

Cis-REGulatory Module Explorer 2.0

<http://creme.dcode.org/>

CREME :: Cis-REGulatory Module Explorer 2.0

Eukaryotic genes are often regulated by several transcription factors, whose binding sites are spatially clustered and form cis-regulatory modules. CREME is a web-server for identifying and visualizing cis-regulatory modules in the promoter regions of a given set of potentially co-regulated **human** genes. CREME relies on a database of putative transcription factor binding sites that have been carefully annotated across the human genome using evolutionary conservation with the mouse and rat genomes. An efficient search algorithm is applied to this data set to identify combinations of transcription factors, whose binding sites tend to co-occur in close proximity within the promoter regions of the input gene set. These combinations are statistically evaluated, and significant combinations are reported and visualized.

Details

Click [here](#) for the CREME manual.
If you use CREME in your work please cite:
R. Sharan, A. Ben-Hur, G.G. Loots, and I. Ovcharenko, CREME: Cis-Regulatory Module Explorer for the human genome, *Nucleic Acids Research*, 32, W253-6 (2004) [[PDF](#)]

RUN CREME

1 List of NM_ or LocusLink ID accession numbers

Paste a list of accession numbers describing a set of co-expressed (or co-regulated) genes (either NCBI mrna accession numbers - *NM_012345* or LocusLink ID numbers 1234).
Example: [268 cell-cycle related genes](#)

- or -

Submit a **TEXT** file that lists accession numbers in the format of one record per line

[Parcourir...](#)

2 Parameters

Hit threshold (TRANSFAC matrix score)

Maximum module length (50 .. 500 bps):

Maximum number of TFs per module:

3 Start CREME

Submit data for CREME processing

SUBMIT

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MAR-Wiz

<http://futuresoft.org/MAR-Wiz/>

The MAR-Wiz tool aims at discovering the presence of Matrix Association Regions, or MARs, within DNA sequences. MARs constitute a significant functional block within sequences and facilitate the processes of differential gene expression and DNA replication. Our computational approach to finding MARs is based upon the co-occurrence of 20 DNA patterns that have been known to occur in the neighborhood of MARs. These motifs are used to define higher order rules defined using the various combinations in which the patterns have been known to co-occur. The mathematical density of the rule occurrences in a region is assumed to imply the presence of a MAR in that region

For examples:

-- Cai S, Lee CC, Kohwi-Shigematsu T. SATB1 packages densely looped, transcriptionally active chromatin for coordinated expression of cytokine genes. *Nat Genet.*38:1278-88, 2006.

- P. PK, O. Bischof, P. K. Purbey, D. Notani, H. Urlaub, A. Dejean, and S. Galande. Functional interaction between PML and SATB1 regulates chromatin-loop architecture and transcription of the MHC class I locus. *Nat Cell Biol.* 9 (1):45-56, 2007.

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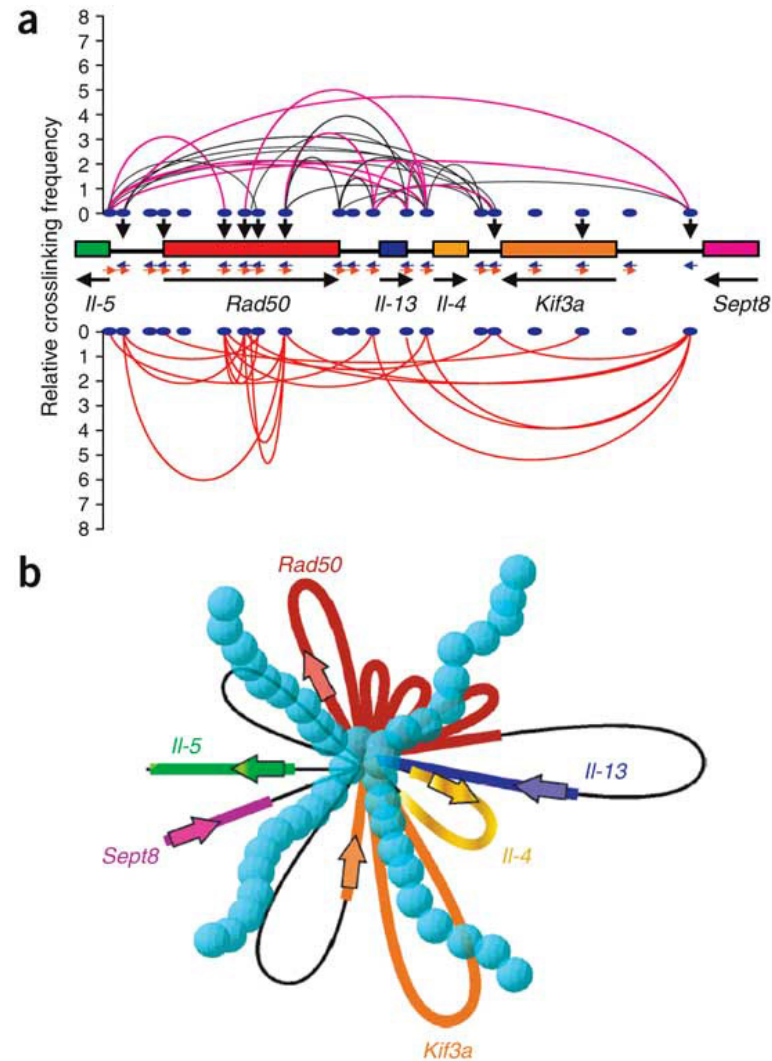


Figure 8. Summary of activation-dependent looping events and a model of transcriptionally active chromatin.

MAR-Analysis Summary Report

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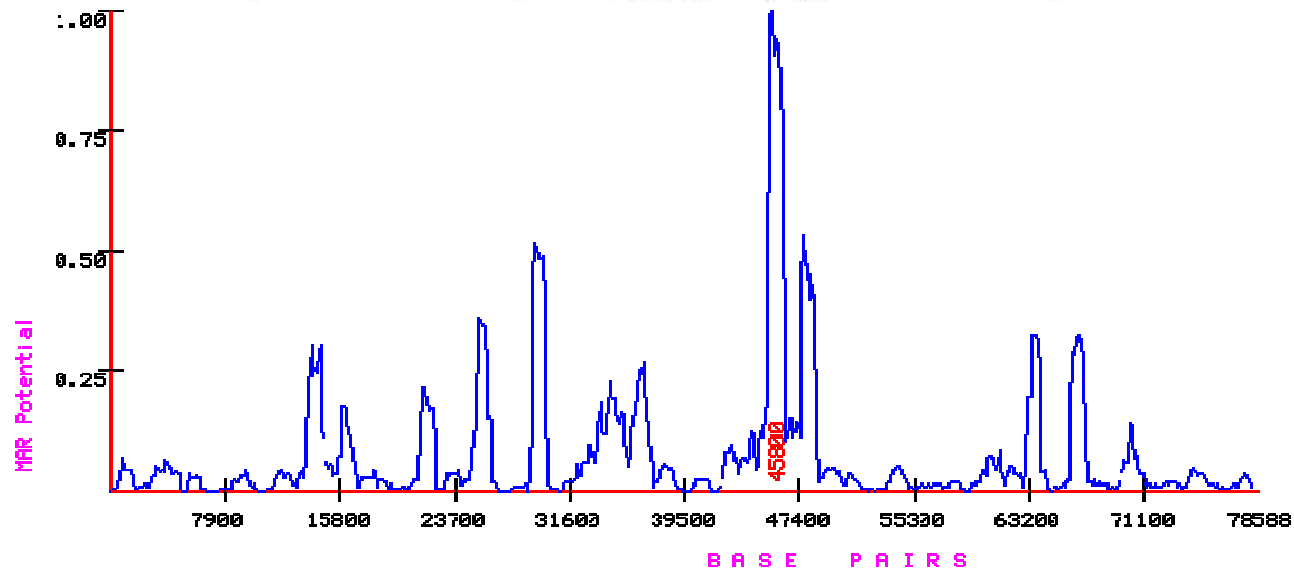
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Kinked DNA Pattern	110	110	View Detail Locations
Topo. II Pattern	217	210	View Detail Locations
AT-Richness Pattern	872	849	View Detail Locations

Questions or Comments...Please send E-mail to
Dr. Gautam B. Singh, gbs@futuresoft.org



Input

Organism: Human
 Identifier: Gene Name (HUGO)
 List of Identifiers:
* Put only one id by line.

IL2RA

Output

The information shown is extracted from:

Ensembl (Accession: [ENST00000263663](#))
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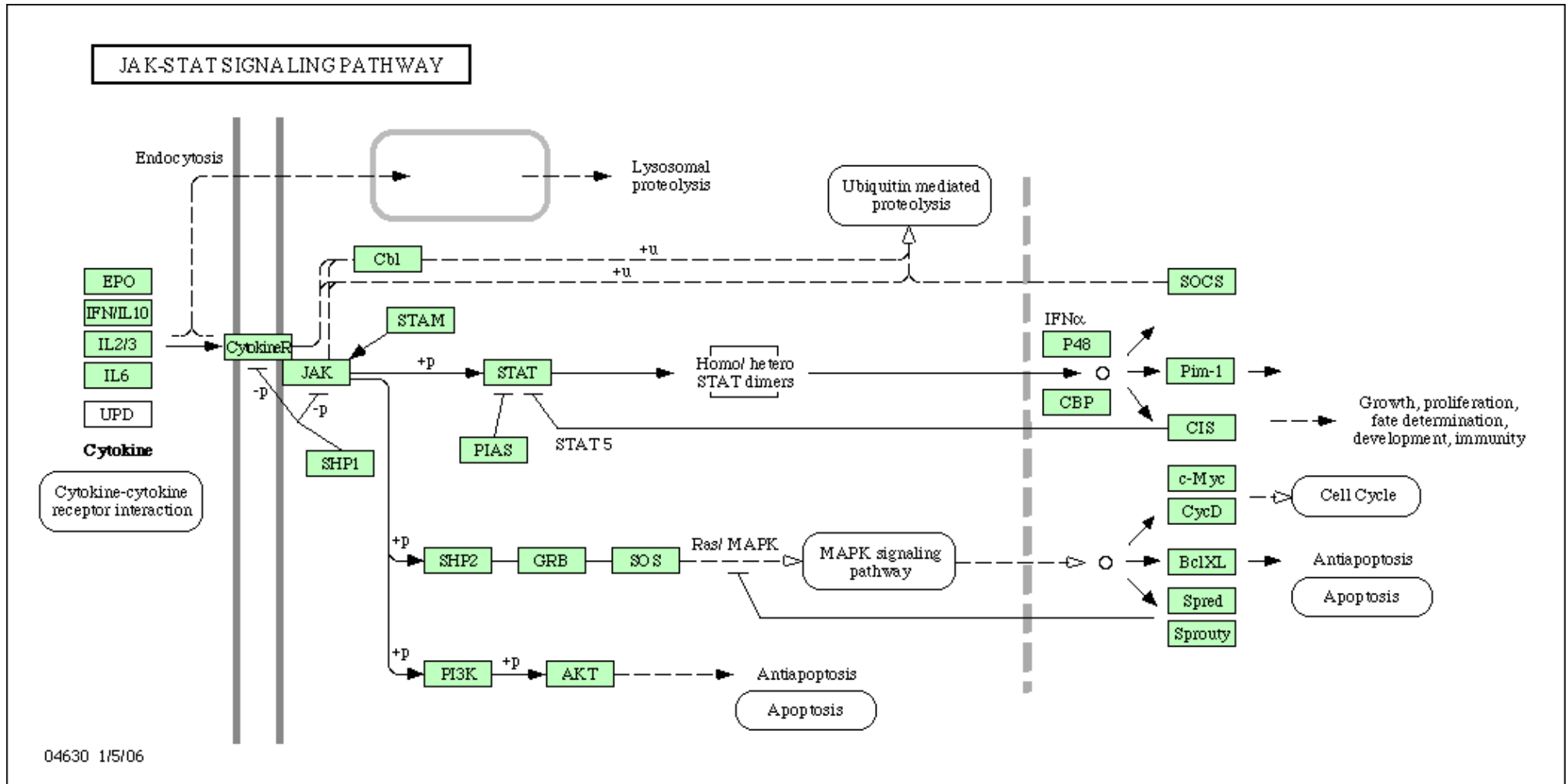
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- * The protein information displayed is the one corresponding to the Gene Name shown.
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KEGG: hsa04630



Galaxy at Penn State University

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Galaxy features connections to [UCSC Table Browser](#), [Ensembl](#), and contains hundreds of tools.

Some examples:

- Extraction of multiple alignments corresponding to a genomic region,
- Finding exons overlapping SNPs, compute phastCons scores for a set of genomic ranges,
- Building histograms, compute correlations, draw scatterplots, search using simple conditional statements
- And much much more...

Galaxy website

<http://www.bx.psu.edu/cgi-bin/trac.cgi>

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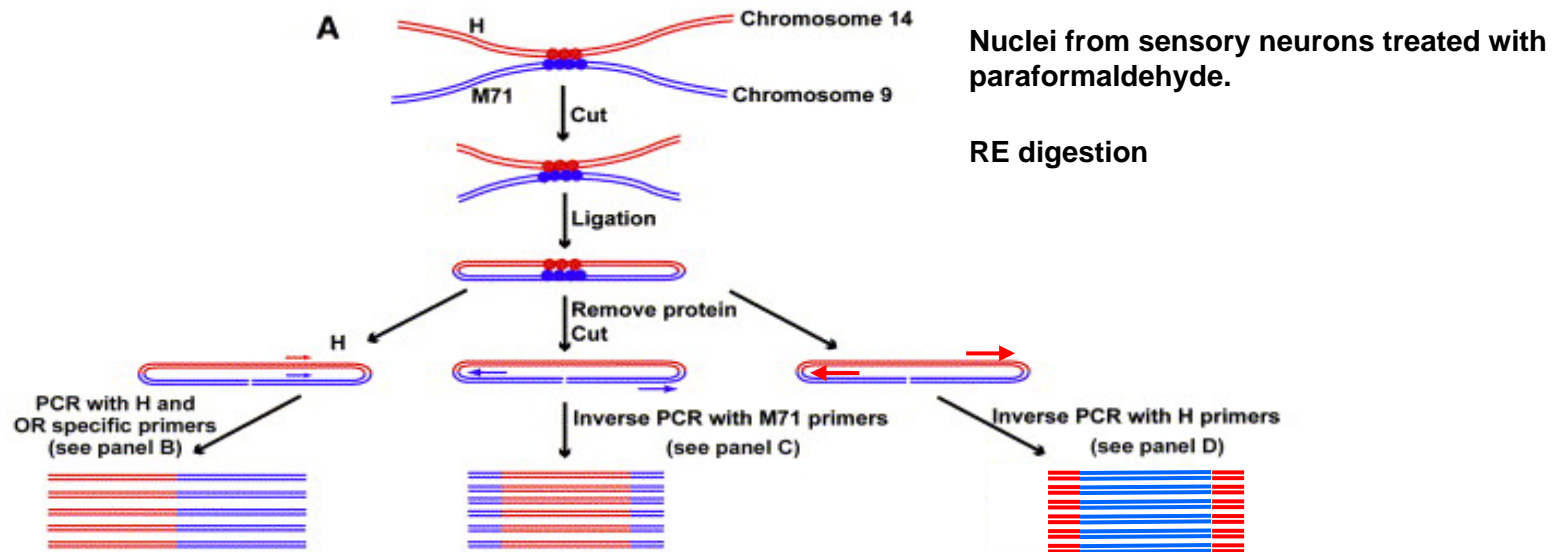
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DiAlign TF: Multiple alignment plus TF sites

S. Lomvardas, G. Barnea, D. J. Pisapia, M. Mendelsohn, J. Kirkland, and R. Axel. Interchromosomal interactions and olfactory receptor choice. *Cell* 126 (2):403-413, 2006.

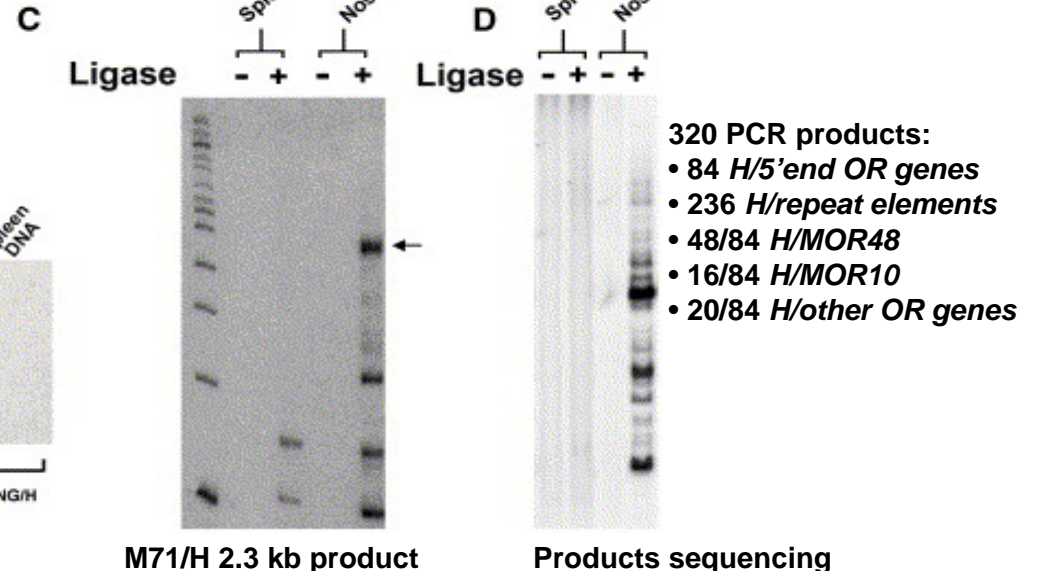
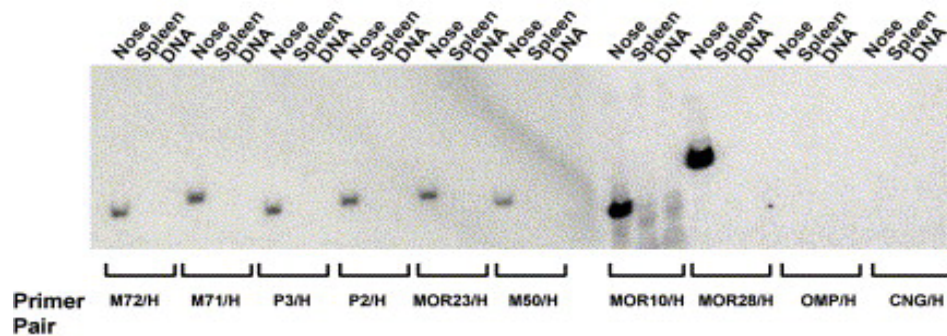
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Chromosome Conformation Capture (3C) Reveals the Association of the H Enhancer with Olfactory Receptor Genes



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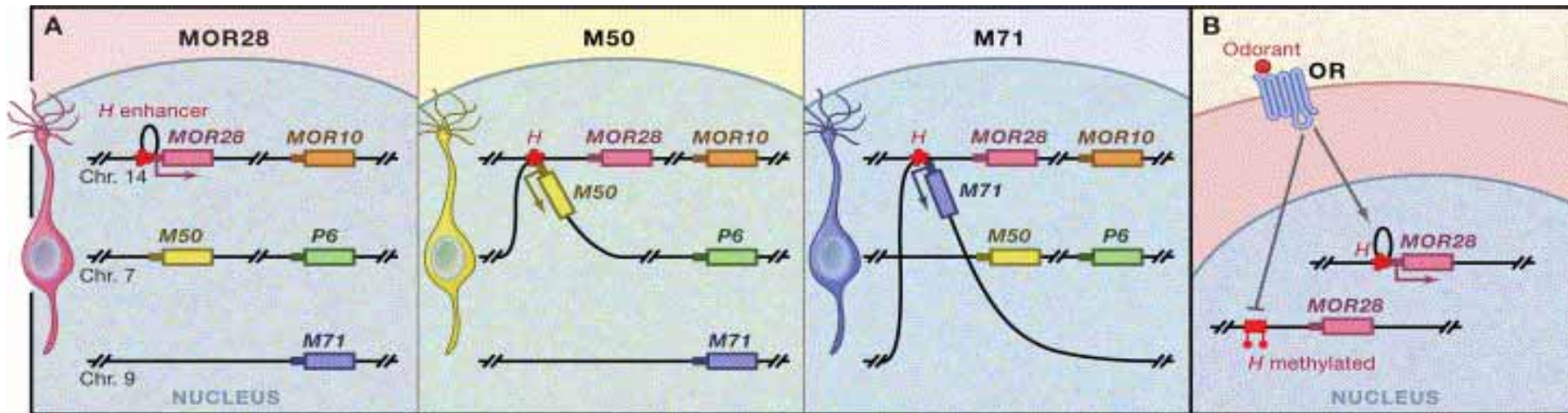
Chr. 14: *H*, *MOR28*, *MOR10*
 Chr. 7: *MOR50*, *P6*
 Chr. 9: *M71*



OMP and CNG: 2 genes highly expressed in olfactory sensory neurons

From Lomvardas, S. et al. *Cell*, 126:403-413, 2006.

Monoallelic OR Gene Expression in Sensory Neurons



(A) Association of the *H* enhancer with a single OR promoter in cis or in trans mediates monoallelic OR gene expression in sensory neurons. Depicted are three different olfactory neurons in which the H enhancer, located on chromosome 14, interacts either with an OR gene in cis (for example, MOR28 on chromosome 14) or, alternatively, with an OR gene in trans (for example, M50 on chromosome 7 or M71 on chromosome 9). The enhancer is shown as a multiprotein complex, and the OR gene promoters are shown as colored boxes; active transcription is represented by an arrow.

(B) Model for the feedback regulation elicited by the expression of a functional OR gene. Upon interaction with an odorant, the OR transmits either a positive signal that strengthens the association between the *H* enhancer and the OR gene promoter or a negative signal that prevents the activation of the second H allele, possibly by DNA methylation of the H enhancer. Currently, it is unclear whether DNA methylation inactivates or activates the H enhancer.

The *H* enhancer, a single copy DNA element, is located 75 kb upstream of the *MOR28* gene cluster on chromosome 14. It can cooperate with OR gene promoter as little as 161 bp of 5'-flanking DNA sequences.

Few other published examples of physical and functional evidences for nonallelic interaction between chromosomes:

- An LCR in IFN- γ locus associated with IL-4 locus on a different chromosome in committed naive T (*Spilianakis et al., Nature, 435:637-645, 2005*).
- The imprinting control region of the Igf2/H19 locus and the Wsb1/Nf1 gene (*Ling et al., Science, 312:269-272, 2006*).

These nonallelic interchromosomal interactions appear relatively infrequent and transient, and their biological role is still somewhat unclear...

Regulatory region databases

PromoSer: The mammalian promoter service
<http://biowulf.bu.edu/zlab/PromoSer>

ORegAnno Open Regulatory Annotation:
<http://www.oreganno.org>

PAZAR: A public database of transcription factor and regulatory sequence annotation
<http://www.pazar.info>

Regulatory region analysis

PIPMaker:
<http://pipmaker.bx.psu.edu/pipmaker>

VISTA Tools: mVISTA and rVISTA
<http://genome.lbl.gov/vista/>

DCODE.org Comparative Genomics Center: Comparing genomes to decipher the code of gene regulation
<http://www.dcode.org>

Genomatix software GmbH:
<http://www.genomatix.de>

General databases and tools

UCSC Genome Browser:
<http://genome.ucsc.edu>

Galaxy website:
<http://www.bx.psu.edu/cgi-bin/trac.cgi>

IdConvert:

<http://idconverter.bioinfo.cnio.es>

En forme de conclusion...

Hypothesis-driven approach

- **Avoid fishing expeditions**
 - Do not expect to find a needle in a haystack
 - Do not expect the answer to pop out of the target gene list
 - Do not expect mechanistic insights
- **Envision specific outcomes and test them directly**
 - Use literature knowledge
 - Does target gene binding change between conditions, mutant backgrounds, or subunits?
- **Do not expect perfect outcomes**
 - Binding to a gene does not always correlate with expression level

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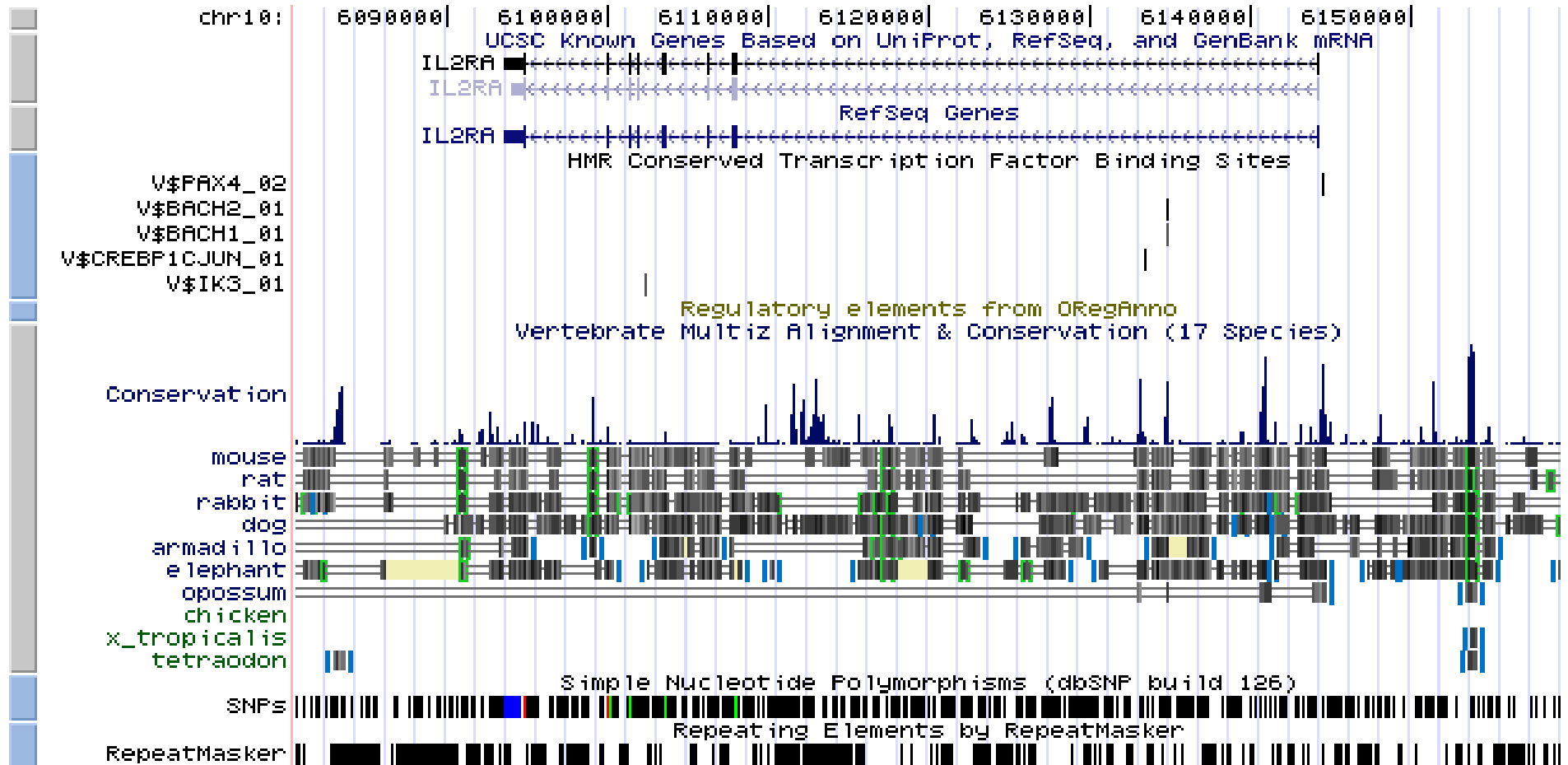
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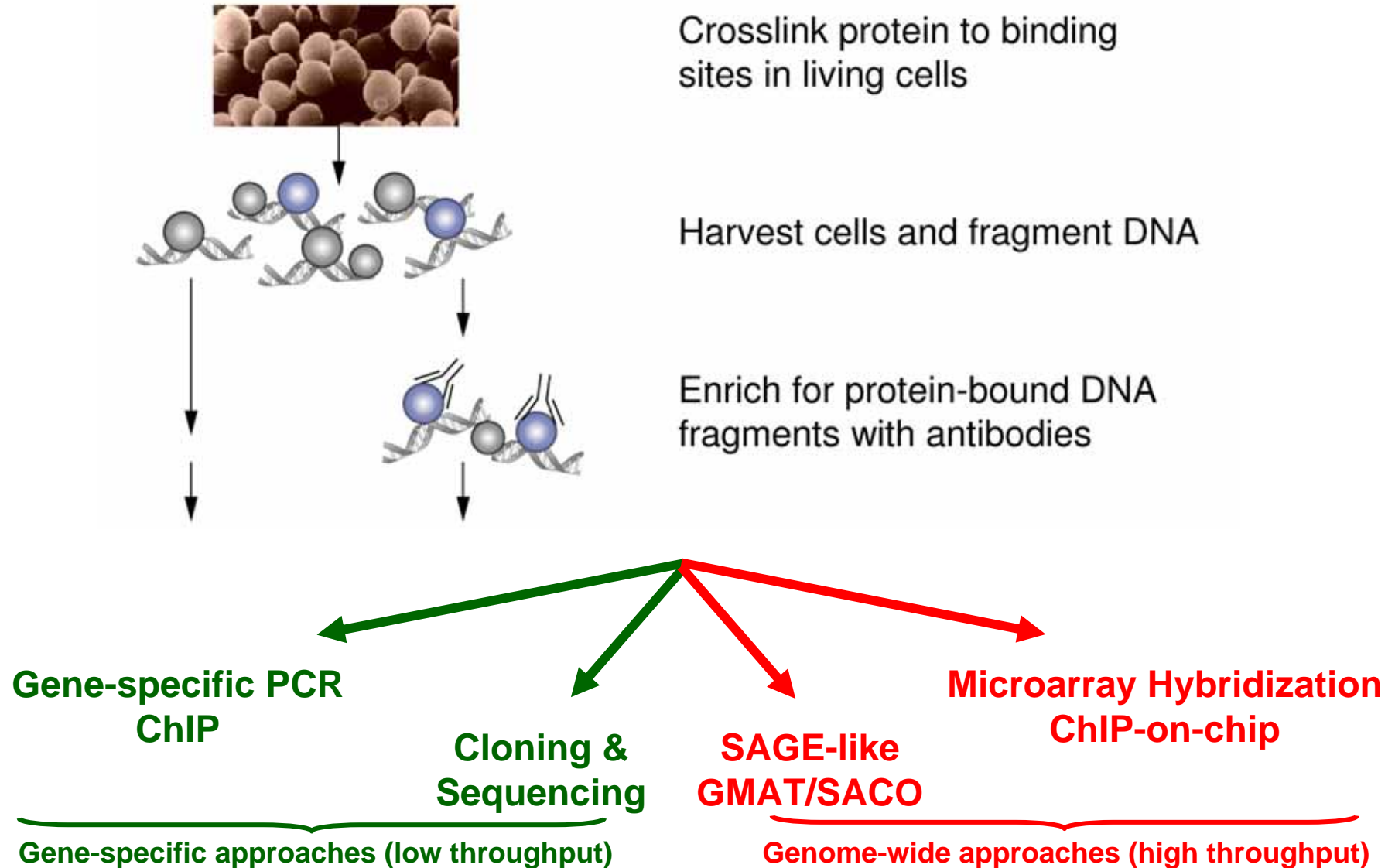


Special Bonus

UCSC Genome Browser on Human Mar. 2006 Assembly position/search: chr10:6,080,616-6,159,203

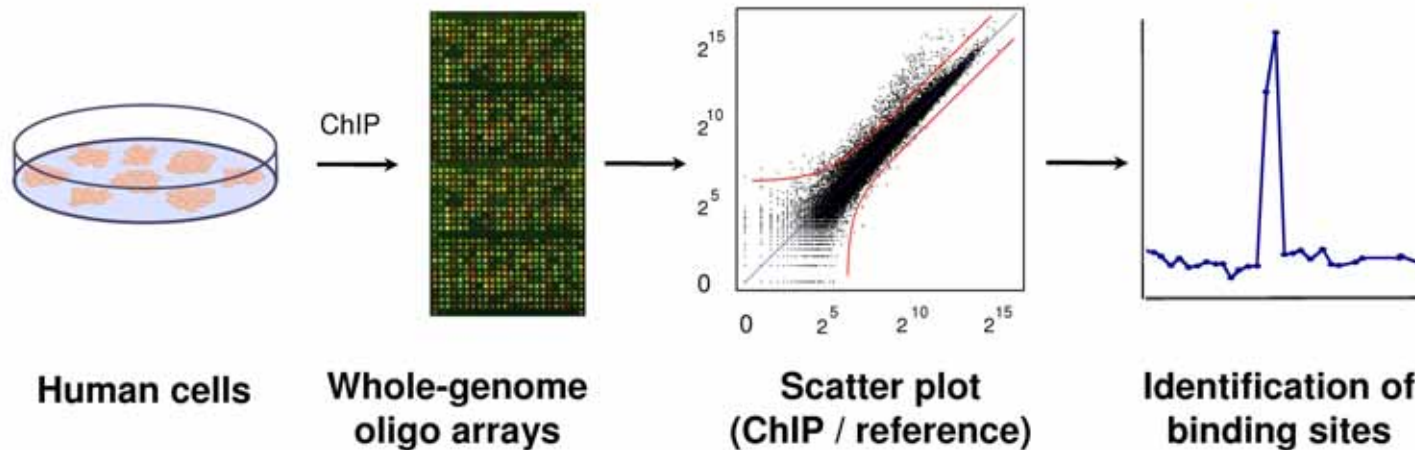


Genomic Targets Identification of Specific Transcription Factors Using Chromatin Immunoprecipitation



ChIP-on-chip

ChIP-on-chip with whole-genome oligo arrays



- **Whole-genome arrays**

- 60mer every < 300 bp
- Oligo selected by uniqueness, GC content, complexity, self-binding potential

- **Peak finding algorithm**

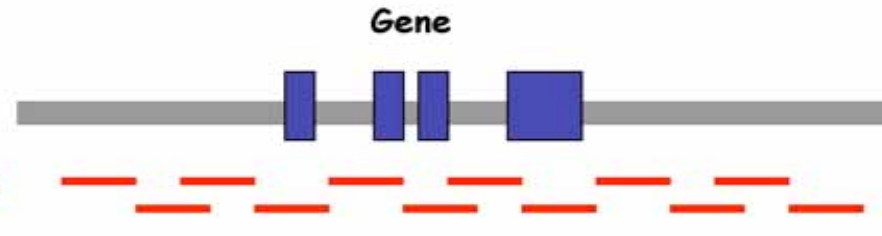
- Based on expected peak curve
- Voting of three consecutive probes

Strategies for the Design of Microarrays for the Human Genome

Single gene or Small Region

Horak et al. (2002) PNAS 99: 2924-2929

Overlapping 1kb PCR products
Tiling path microarray

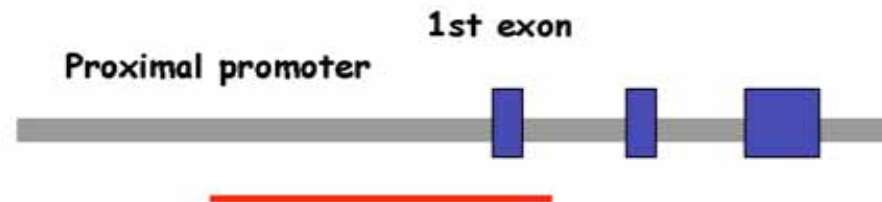


Gene collection

(eg. Refseq collection)

Blais et al. (2005) Genes & Dev. 19: 1-17

1kb PCR products

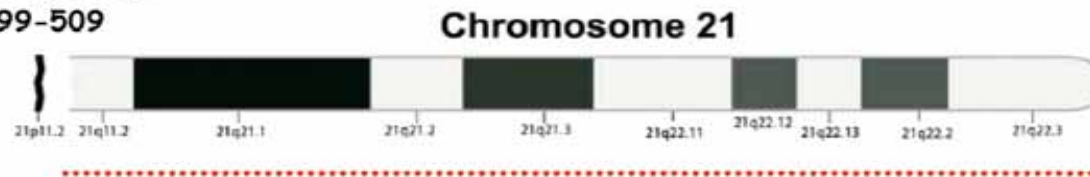


Small chromosomes

Kaparnov et al. (2002) Science 296: 916-919

Cawley et al. (2004) Cell 116:499-509

1 oligo each 35 bases



CpG islands

Weinmann et al. (2002) Genes & Dev. 16:235-244

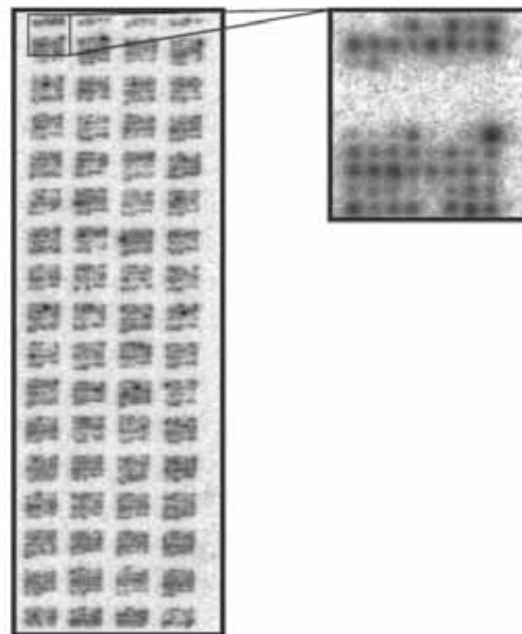
Oberley et al. (2004) Methods Enzymol. 376:315-334

- CpG dinucleotides are present at 20% of predicted frequency
- CpG islands: >200 bp long, >50 %G+C, CpG >0.6 predicted
- CpG islands account for 1% of the genome
- 29,000 CpG islands are predicted in the human genome
- ~60% of known genes have a CpG island near 5' end
- CpG island microarrays are promoter- and regulatory region-enriched arrays

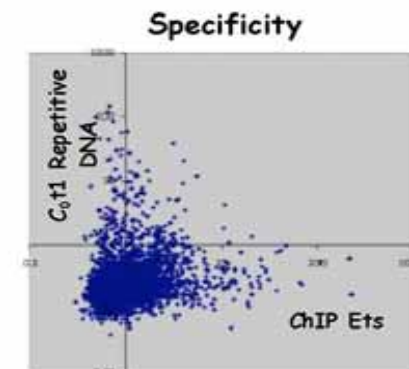
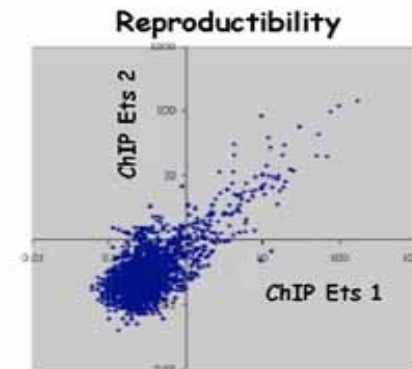
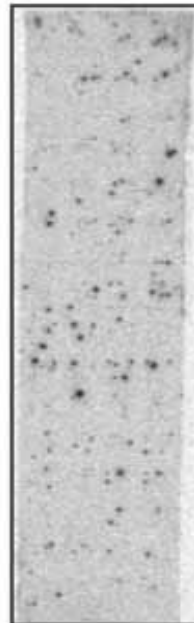
29,000 CpG islands are predicted in the human genome

In progress analysis of a chip with ~200 human promoter regions and ~4 000 CpG islands

ChIP anti-Ets-1/2



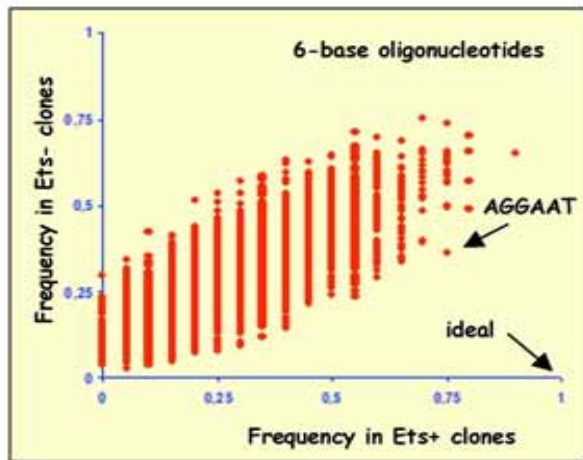
Microarray CpG+3
200 selected genes
4.000 CpG clones



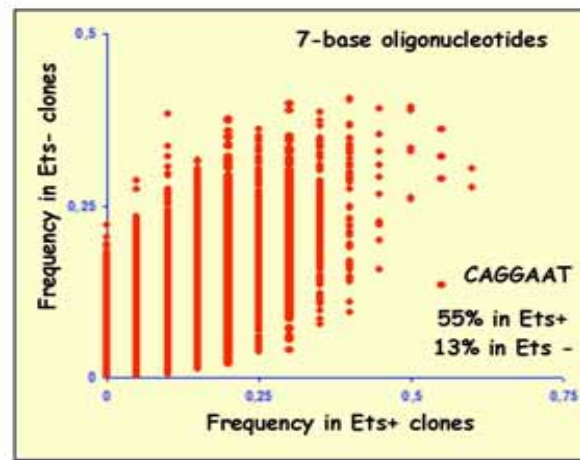
La Londe les Maures 12 May 2005. Rémi Houlgatte « Chromatin Profiling of Human Pathologies »

From Rémi Houlgatte – INSERM ERM206, Marseille, France

Ets Factor Binding Site (EBS)



Expected frequency of a 6-base motif in 1.5 kb sequences: 37%



Expected frequency of a 7-base motif in 1.5 kb sequences: 9%

3rd best score using Gibbs sampling:

GGGAAGG

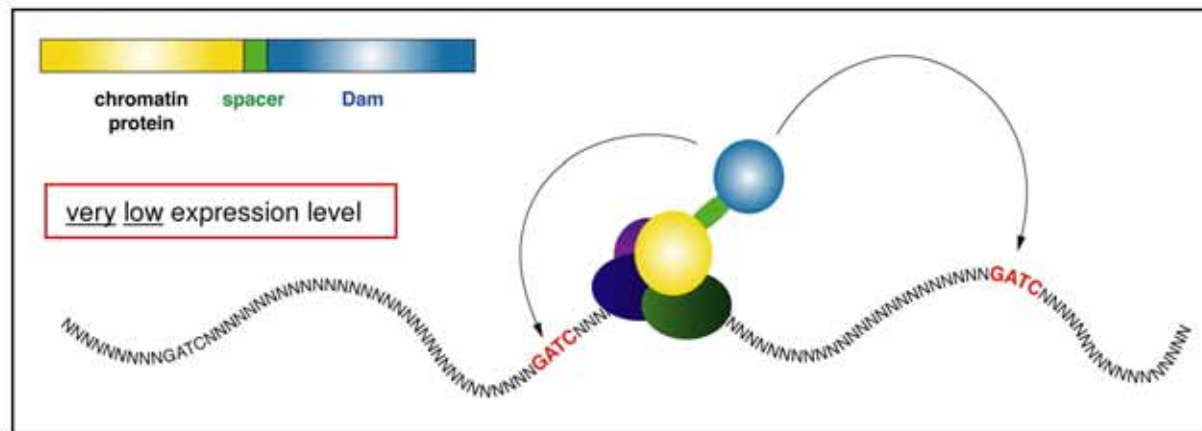
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Alternative Approaches...

DamID: in vivo mapping of protein-genome interactions



E. coli Dam methyltransferase:

- methylates A in sequence **GATC**
- active and non-toxic
- fairly small (32 kDa)

Adenine methylation (m^6A):

- absent in DNA of most eukaryotes

DamID

versus

ChIP-on-chip

- No antibody required
- Works for >90% of all proteins tested
- Fusion protein may not be fully functional
- Cannot map post-translational modifications
- Studies of mutated proteins
- One fruitfly or one 35mm dish of cells is enough
- Low time-resolution (hrs)
- Mapping resolution ~1-2kb??
 - may depend on local chromatin conformation

- Highly specific antibody needed
- Success rate??
 - Depends on antibody, epitope exposure and "crosslinkability"
- Crosslinking artefacts?
- Mapping of e.g. histone modifications
- More difficult, need epitope tagging and precisely controlled expression
- Amount of material required?
- High time-resolution (min)
- Mapping resolution 0.5-1kb???
 - may depend on local chromatin conformation

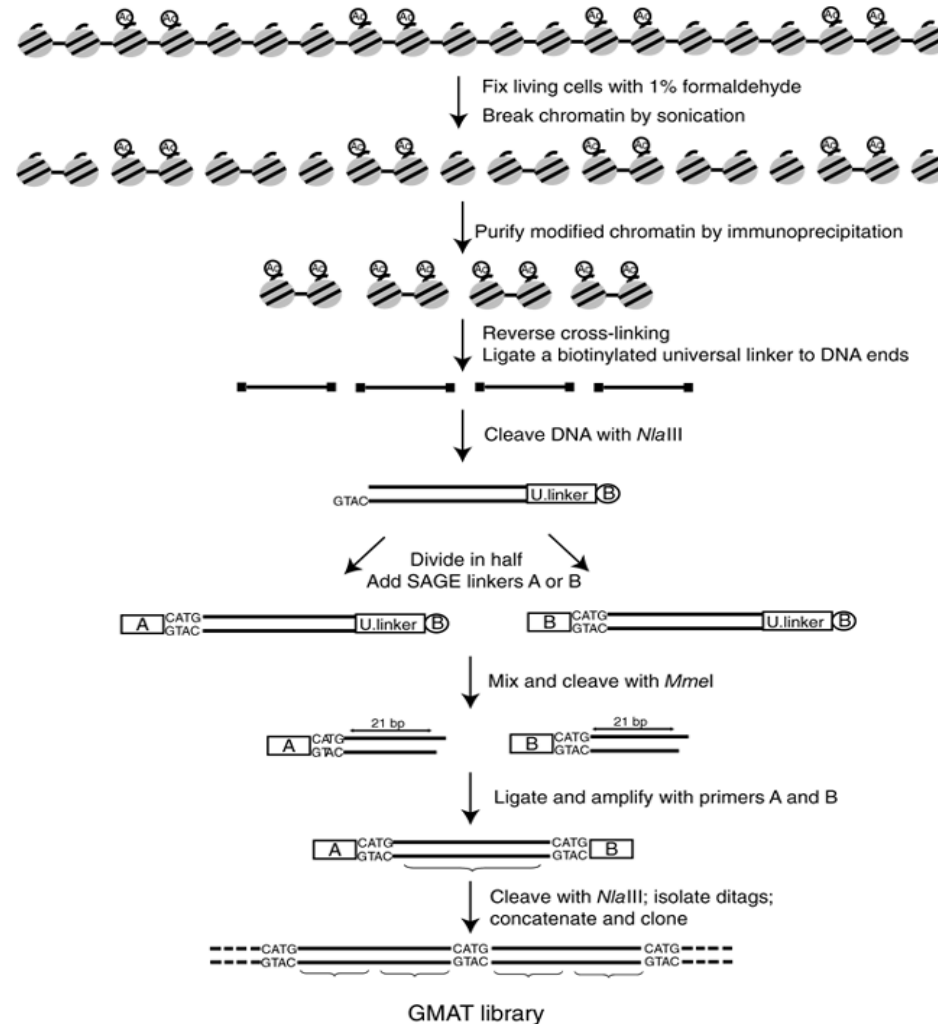
But: which one is "better" in practice?

More importantly: do the two methods give the same results?

From Bas van Steensel, Netherlands Cancer Institute, Amsterdam

Alternative approaches

Genome-Wide Mapping Technique (GMAT) Or Serial Analysis of Chromatin Occupancy (SACO)



From T. Y. Roh, W. C. Ngau, K. Cui, D. Landsman, and K. Zhao. High-resolution genome-wide mapping of histone modifications. *Nat Biotechnol.* 22 (8):1013-1016, 2004.

Functional Effects of Histone Modifications on Transcription

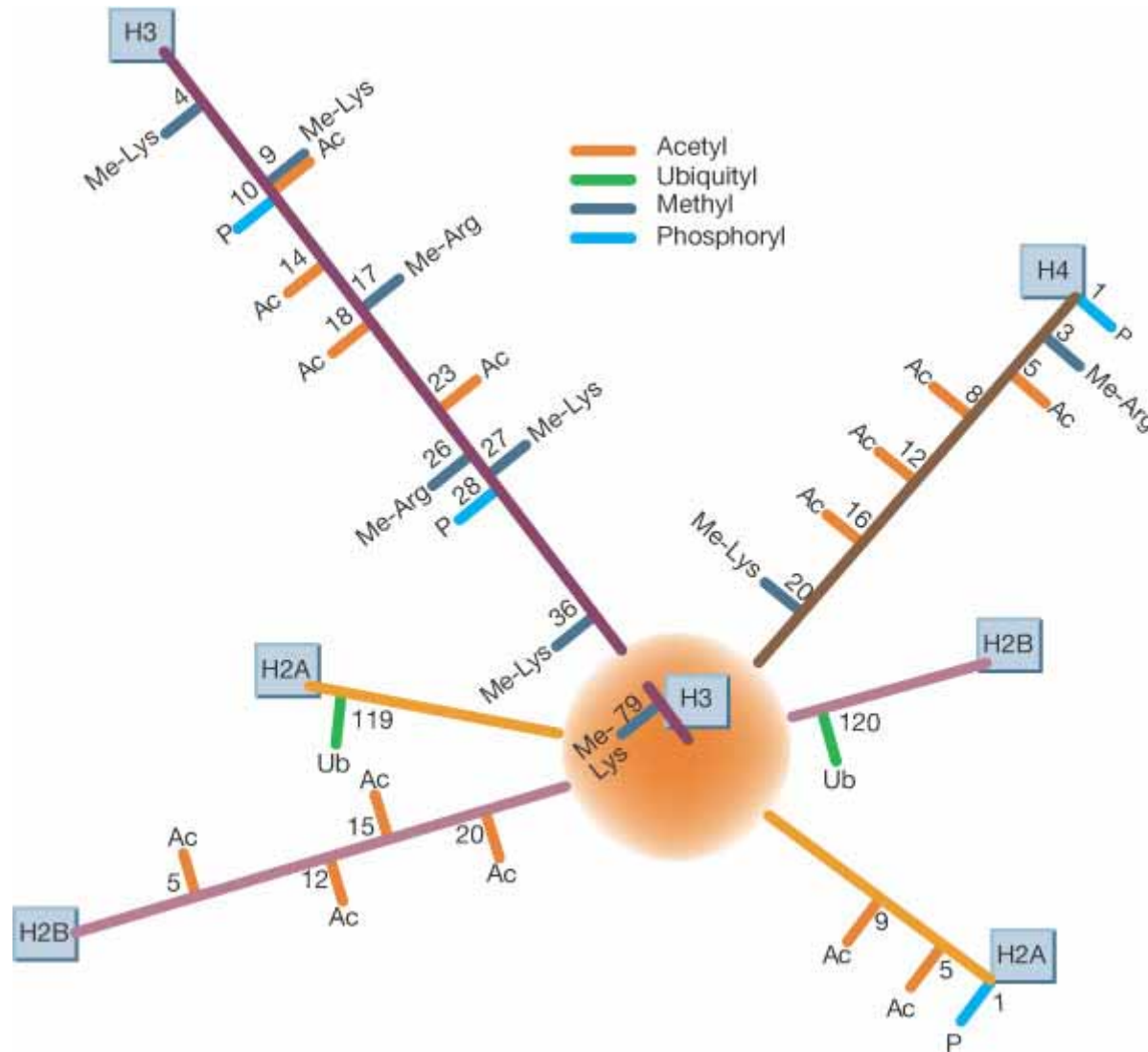
A Few Examples in Mammals

- Acetylation at lysine residues is highly associated with transcriptional **activation** (H2AK5, H2BK12, H3K9/K14, etc.)
- Methylation at lysine or arginine residues is associated with either transcriptional **activation** (H3K4me3, H4R3, etc.) or **repression** (H3K9, H3K27me3, etc.)
- Phosphorylation at serine or threonine residues is associated with either transcriptional **activation** (H3S28, etc.) or **repression** (H2AS1, etc.)

Ubiquitylation and sumoylation have been associated with mitosis, meiosis, etc.

For a continuous update: www.histone.com

Major Nucleosomal Histone Modification Mapping



From G. Felsenfeld and M. Groudine. Controlling the double helix. Nature 421 (6921):448-453, 2003.

Quelques infos utiles

Site web de l'atelier INSERM « Epigénomique : analyse à grande échelle des modifications de la chromatine et des interactions entre génomes et facteurs régulateurs de la transcription »

12-13 mai 2005, La Londe Les Maures et 16-20 mai 2005, Marseille

<http://gin.univ-mrs.fr/~denis/Epigenomics/>

Grange, T., Imbert, J. and Thieffry, D. Epigenomics: large scale analysis of chromatin modifications and transcription factors/genome interactions. *BioEssays* 27:1203-1205, 2005.

Site web « ChIP-on-chip » à partir des travaux de Bing Ren, Laboratory of Gene Regulation, Ludwig Institute for Cancer Research, UCSD

<http://www.chiponchip.org/>

Vous y trouverez des protocoles, une liste d'anticorps validés pour ChIP et ChIP-on-chip, des références, etc.

Site web Ecole-Chercheurs INRA « La phylogénomique : une aide à l'étude des grandes fonctions du vivant »

12-14 décembre 2006, Carry-le-Rouet

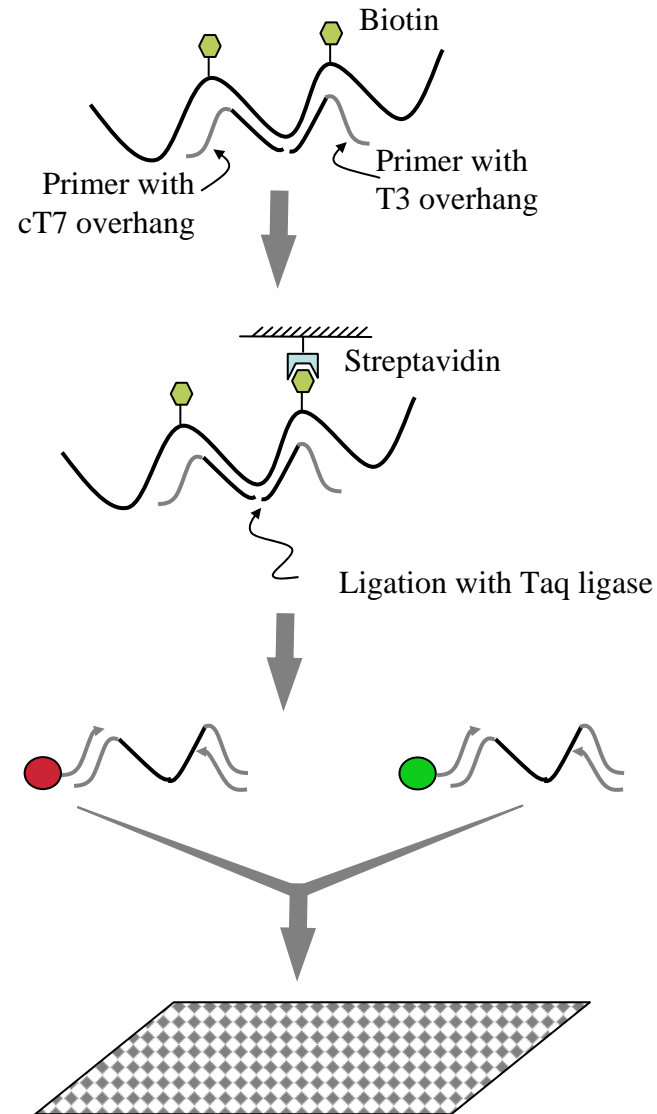
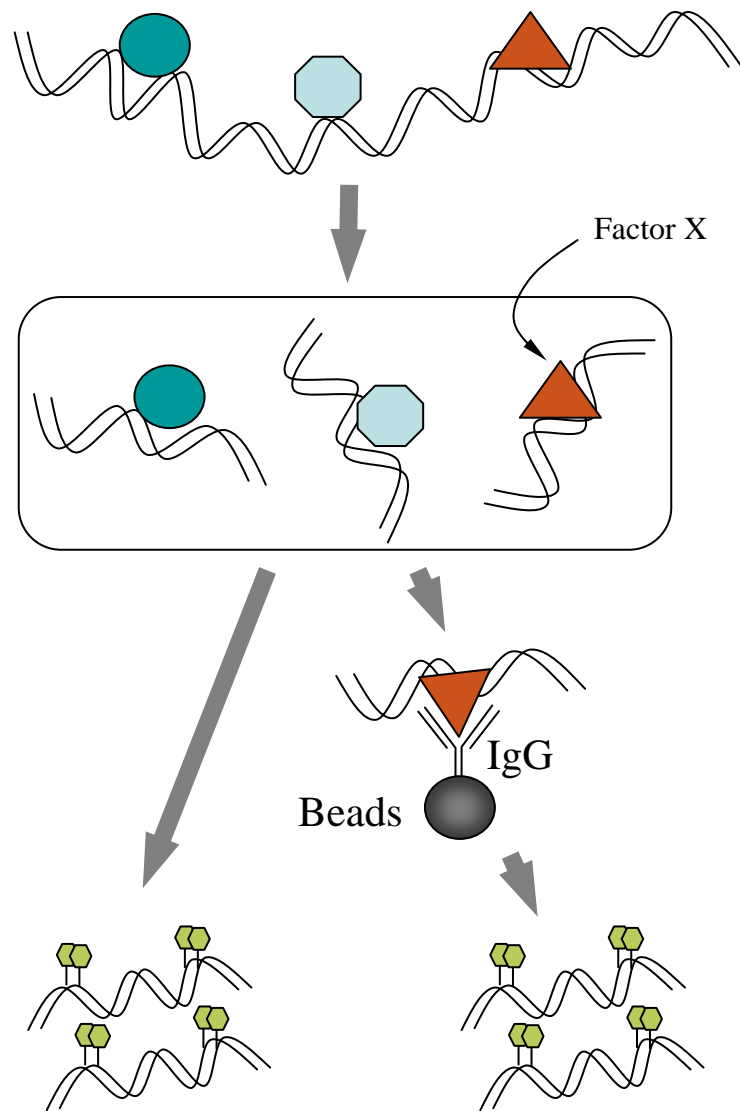
<http://www.inra.fr/internet/Projets/agroBI/PHYLO.html>

Resources

Companies offering genome-wide or customize oligo and/or promoter chips

- 1) Agilent: www.home.agilent.com
- 2) Affymetrix: www.affymetrix.com
- 3) Nimblegen Systems: www.nimblegen.com
- 4) Aviva Systems Biology: www.avivasysbio.com
- 5) human and mouse CpG islands:
Microarray Centre, University Health Network, Toronto, www.microarrays.ca

The CHIP-GLAS Technology



**DNA
Annealing**

**Solid-phase
Selection**

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Amplification



Systematic discovery of regulatory motifs in human promoters and 3' UTRs by comparison of several mammals

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Comprehensive identification of all functional elements encoded in the human genome is a fundamental need in biomedical research. Here, we present a comparative analysis of the human, mouse, rat and dog genomes to create a systematic catalogue of common regulatory motifs in promoters and 3' untranslated regions (3' UTRs). The promoter analysis yields 174 candidate motifs, including most previously known transcription-factor binding sites and 105 new motifs. The 3'-UTR analysis yields 106 motifs likely to be involved in post-transcriptional regulation. Nearly one-half are associated with microRNAs (miRNAs), leading to the discovery of many new miRNA genes and their likely target genes. Our results suggest that previous estimates of the number of human miRNA genes were low, and that miRNAs regulate at least 20% of human genes. The overall results provide a systematic view of gene regulation in the human, which will be refined as additional mammalian genomes become available.

1. Whole genome alignment of 4 mammalian genomes: human, mouse, rat, dog
2. Extraction aligned promoter and 3' UTR using RefSeq annotations

17 700 Refseq

68 Mb promoter dataset

15 Mb 3' UTR

123 Mb intronic sequence as control dataset: last 2 introns

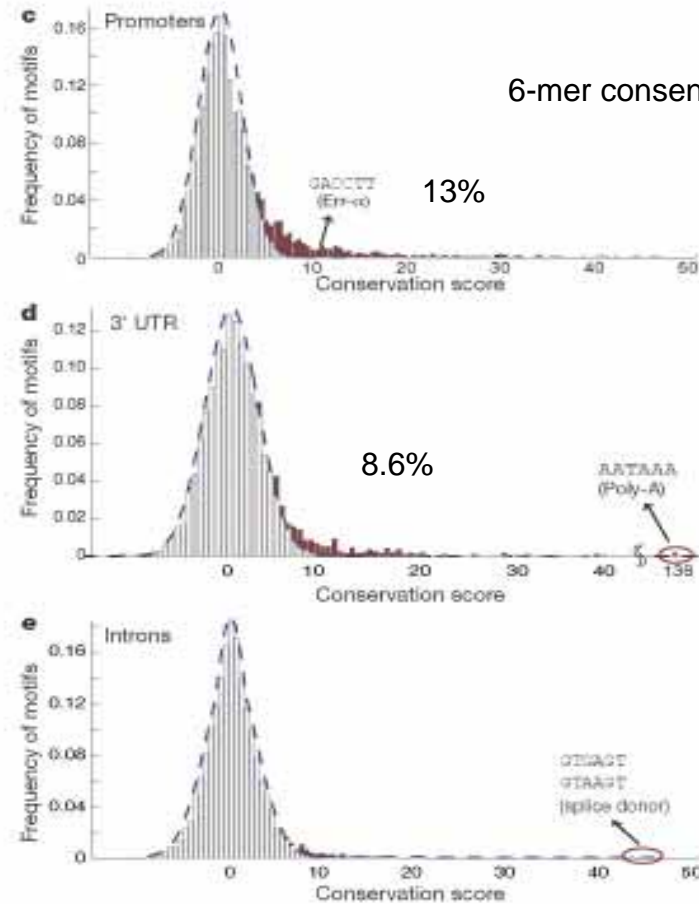
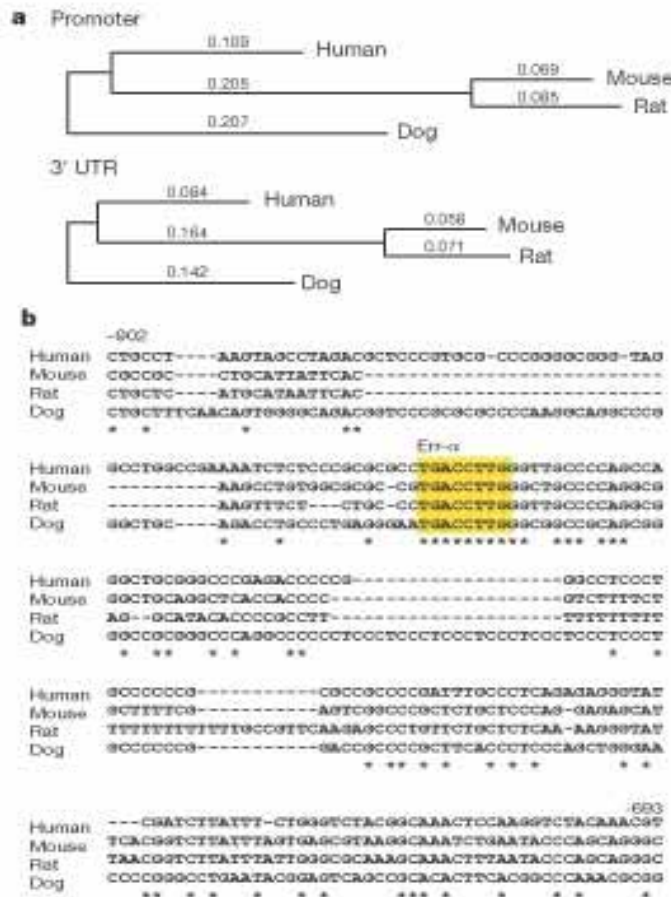
Proportion of aligned bases between 4 species:

Promoters 51% (44% upstream, 58% downstream TSS)

3' UTR 73%

Control dataset 34%

Whole genome 28%



8-mer TGACCTTG: Err- α binding site (estrogen-related receptor alpha)

434 occurrences in human promoter regions, 162 conserved across all 4 species

37% conservation rate compared to 8% for a random 8-mer motif in promoter dataset and 6.2% in control dataset

MCS: motif conservation score, represents the number of standard deviations (s.d.) by which the observed conserved rate of a motif exceeds the expected conservation rate of comparable motifs (Ex.: MCS for Err- α is 25.2 s.d.)

446 mammalian motifs in TRANSFAC clustered in 123 motif clusters based on sequence similarity

63% MCS>3, including 50% MCS>5, compared to only 1.6% with MCS>3 control set

3' UTR few motifs defined: polyadenylation signal AATAAA, 6 617 conservation versus 14 266 occurrences

46%, MCS 135 compared to 10% for a control random motif in 3' UTR and 6% in intronic controls

Screening for **H**ighly **C**onserved 6-18-mer **M**otifs with MCS>6 (10¹² possible occurrences)

Promoters: **174** HCM including 59 strong matches with known consensus and 10 weaker
 72% of the 123 TRANSFAC clusters (5% matches for a random set)
105 potential new regulatory motifs, for example M₄ (ACTAYRNNNCCCR)
 occurs 520 times, 317 conserved across 4 species (61%)

Table 1 Top 50 of 174 discovered motifs in human promoters

No.	Discovered motif	MCS	Known factor*	Conservation rate†	Tissue enrichment‡	Position bias§
1	RCGCAnGGGY	107.8	NRF-1	0.49	15.0	-62
2	CACGTG	85.3	MYC	0.47	8.8	-62
3	SCGGAAGY	80.4	ELK-1	0.44	22.4	-24
4	ACTAYRnnnCCCR	69.5	-	0.61	8.1	-89
5	GATTGGY	64.6	NF-Y	0.51	9.8	-63
6	GGGCGGR	63.9	SP1	0.21	11.4	-63
7	TGAnTCA	62.8	AP-1	0.38	6.5	-
8	TMTGCGGAnR	55.7	-	0.64	9.4	-62
9	TGAYRTCA	55.7	ATF3	0.50	6.1	-66
10	GCCATnTTG	54.7	YY1	0.72	12.2	-
11	MGGAAGTG	51.6	GABP	0.43	13.9	-23
12	CAGGTG	47.6	E12	0.26	9.9	-
13	CITTTGT	46.0	LEF1	0.42	13.6	-
14	TGACGTCA	44.8	ATF3	0.44	4.2	-22
15	CAGCTG	43.9	AP-4	0.27	8.9	-
16	RYTTCCTG	43.0	C-ETS-2	0.32	7.4	-24
17	AACTTT	42.1	IRF1	0.43	11.1	-
18	TCAnnTGAY	40.4	SREBP-1	0.47	4.9	-64
19	GKCGGn(7)TGAYG	40.1	-	0.35	5.6	-62
20	GTGACGY	38.4	E4F1	0.34	6.6	-56
21	GGAAAnCGGAAAnY	37.7	-	0.68	7.0	-33
22	TGCGCAnK	37.4	-	0.24	8.2	-17
23	TAATTA	37.3	CHX10	0.29	7.1	-
24	GGGAGGRR	33.5	MAZ	0.16	9.4	-
25	TGACCTY	33.4	ESRRA	0.30	7.7	-
26	TTAYRTAA	32.6	E4BP4	0.34	6.1	-
27	TGn(6)KCCAR	32.3	-	0.27	4.5	-
28	CTAWWWATA	32.3	RSRFC4	0.36	7.6	-
29	CTTTAAR	30.8	-	0.43	5.4	-
30	YCGYRCGC	30.5	-	0.19	5.2	-31
31	GGYGTGnY	30.0	-	0.24	5.4	-63
32	TGASTMAGC	27.2	NF-E2	0.39	5.4	-66
33	YTATTTnR	26.4	MEF-2	0.21	7.1	-
34	CYTAGCAAY	26.1	-	0.50	5.2	-142
35	GCAnCTGnY	25.7	MYOD	0.25	8.2	-
36	RTAAACA	25.6	FREAC-2	0.46	7.0	-
37	GTRYCATRR	25.3	-	0.54	7.6	-56
38	TGACCTTG	25.2	ERR-α	0.37	8.1	-
39	TCCRnnnRTGC	24.3	-	0.30	6.8	-60
40	TTcYnRGAA	24.3	STAT5A	0.19	-	-
41	TGACAGnY	24.1	MEIS1	0.27	6.9	-
42	TGACATY	23.8	-	0.23	5.8	-
43	GTTGnYnnRGnAAC	23.7	-	0.47	4.7	-57
44	YATGnWAAT	23.5	OCT-X	0.53	6.9	-
45	CCAnnAGRKGGC	23.4	-	0.47	-	-101
46	WTTGKCTG	23.0	-	0.25	5.0	-63
47	TGCCAAR	22.9	NF-1	0.25	7.0	-
48	GCnAnTTCC	22.8	C-REL	0.30	6.0	-12
49	CATTGTYY	22.5	SOX-9	0.43	5.8	-
50	RGAGGAARY	22.4	PU.1	0.22	4.0	-

*Name of the best-matching motif in TRANSFAC database, if any. Weak matches are indicated in italics.

†The percentage of human motif occurrences that match the motif consensus across all four species.

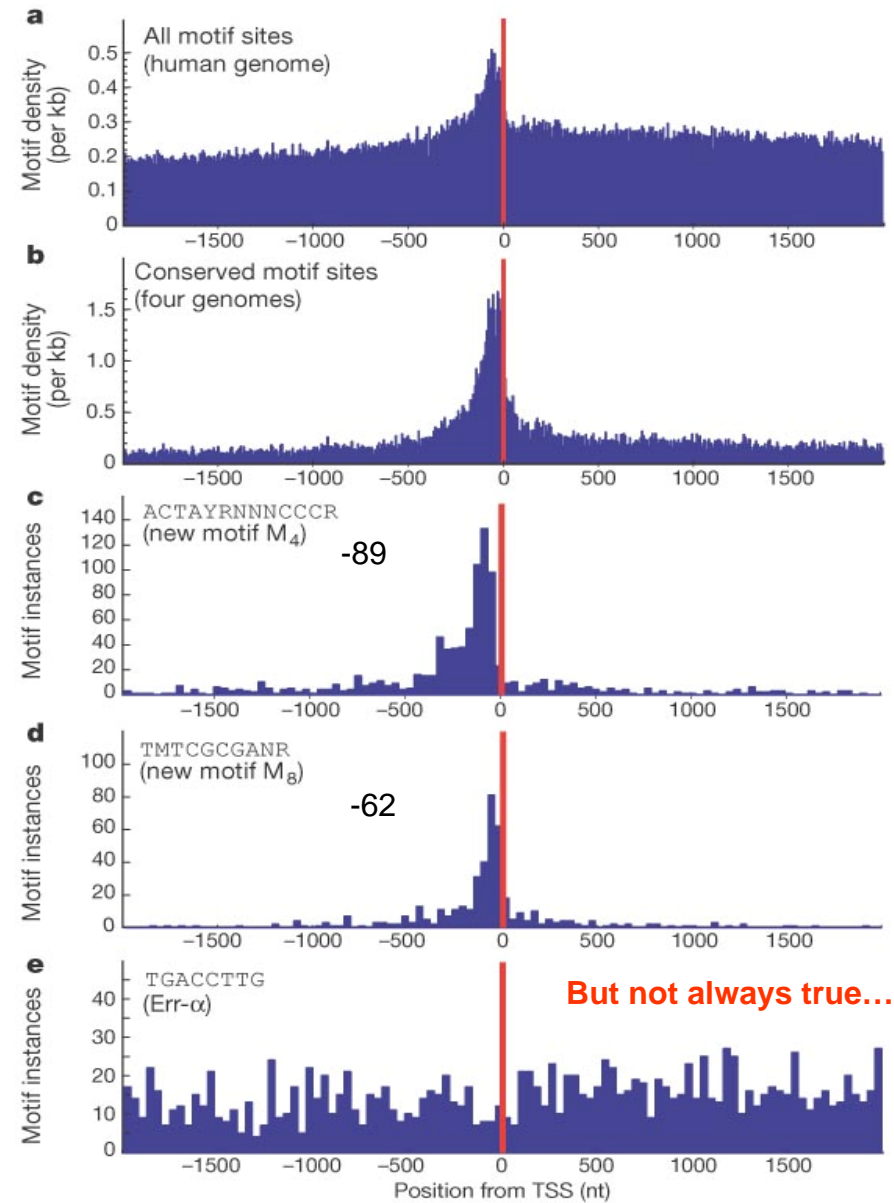
‡A measure of the maximum enrichment of conserved motif occurrences upstream of genes expressed in a compendium of 75 human tissues.

§For motifs with strong positional bias (score > 5 s.d.), the mode of the distance distribution upstream of the TSS.

Biological significance

2. Positional bias of the motif relative to TSS: consistent with a role in transcription initiation
28% for known motifs and 35% for new

Overall 89% of known and 69% of new motifs show tissue specificity, positional bias or both



3' UTR

- 1. Strong directional bias (mRNA regulatory elements)**
- 2. Unusual length distribution (8-mer preference)**

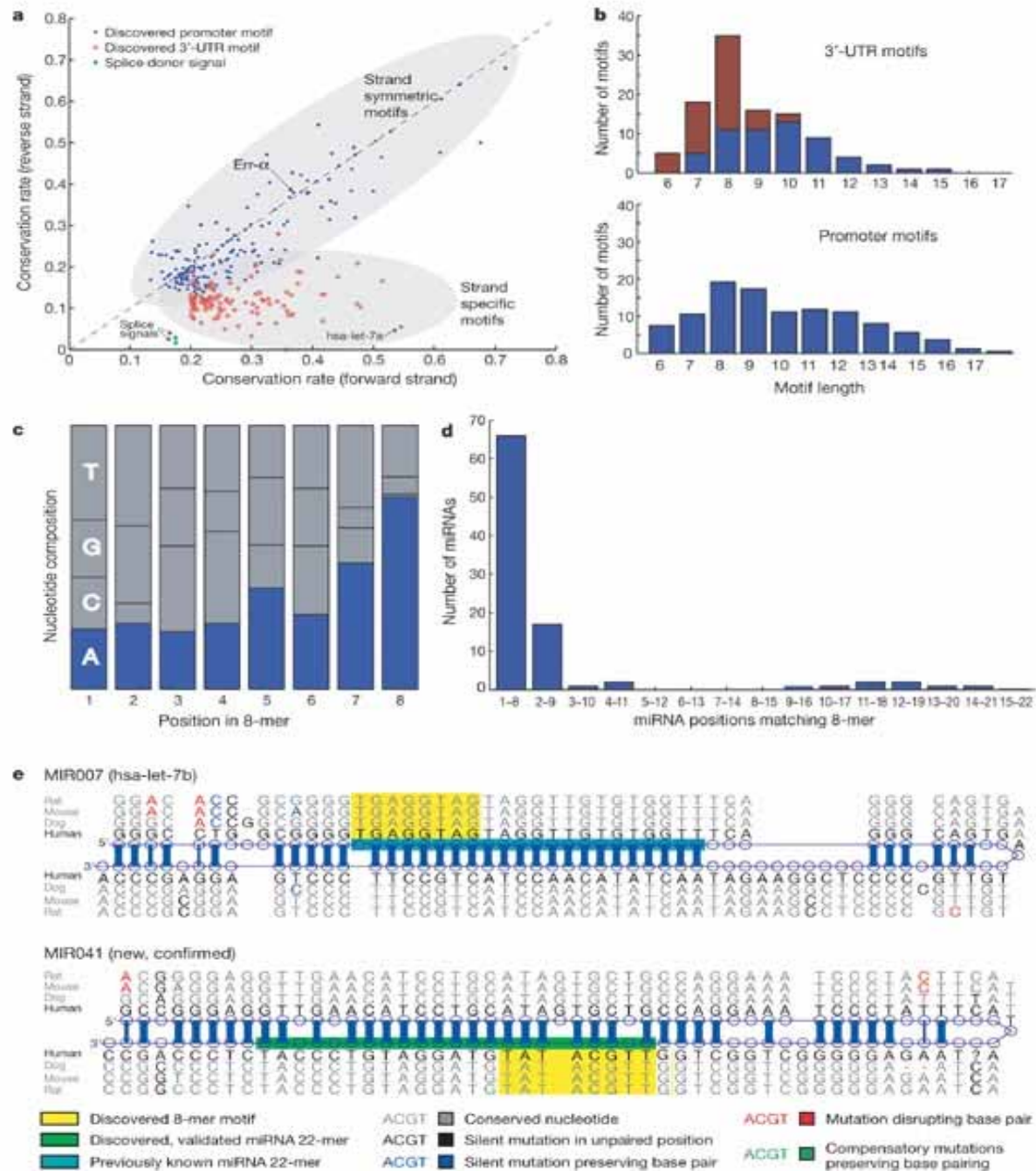


Table 2 **Top 50 conserved 8-mers in 3' UTRs and corresponding miRNAs**

No.	Motif	Conservation rate	MIRNA*
1	GTGCAATA	0.55	miR-92, miR-32, miR-137, miR-367, miR-25, miR-217(t), new(12)
2	GTGCCTTA	0.54	miR-124a, miR-224(t), miR-208(t), miR-34b(t), miR-9*(t), miR-34c(t), miR-330(t), new(6)
3	CTACCTCA	0.53	miR-98, let-7i, let-7g, let-7f, let-7e, let-7c, let-7b, let-7a, let-7d, miR-196b, miR-196a, new(4)
4	ACCAAAGA	0.49	miR-9, new(11)
5	TGTTTACA	0.48	miR-30e-5p, miR-30d, miR-30c, miR-30b, miR-30a-5p, new(4)
6	GCACTTTA	0.48	miR-20, miR-106b, miR-18(t), miR-93, miR-372, miR-17-5p, miR-106a, miR-302d, miR-302c, miR-302b, miR-302a, miR-373, new(4)
7	TGGTGCTA	0.43	miR-29c, miR-29b, miR-29a, miR-107(t), miR-103(t), new(6)
8	CTATGCAA	0.42	miR-153, new(9)
9	TACTTGAA	0.42	miR-26b, miR-26a, new(4)
10	CGCAAAAA	0.42	New(2)
11	GTGCCAAA	0.41	miR-96, miR-182, miR-183, new(16)
12	GTA CTGTA	0.40	miR-101, miR-199a†, miR-144, new(2)
13	ATACGGGT	0.40	miR-99a, miR-100, miR-99b(t)
14	AAGCACAA	0.40	miR-218, new(8)
15	TTTGCACT	0.37	miR-19b, miR-19a, miR-301, miR-130b, miR-130a, miR-152, miR-148b, miR-148a, miR-139, new(10)
16	TGTACATA	0.36	-
17	AAGCCATA	0.35	miR-135b, miR-135a
18	ACTGTGAA	0.35	miR-27b, miR-27a, miR-128b, miR-128a, miR-23b(t), miR-23a(t), new(5)
19	AGACAATC	0.33	miR-219, new(2)
20	TGCTGCTA	0.33	miR-195, miR-16, miR-15b, miR-15a, miR-338(t), miR-424, new(5)
21	TTTTGTAC	0.32	New(1)
22	ACATCCCA	0.32	miR-206, miR-1, miR-122a(t)
23	TGAATGTA	0.31	miR-181b(t), miR-181c, miR-181a
24	ACGGTACA	0.30	-
25	CAGTATTA	0.30	miR-200c, miR-200b, new(1)
26	TTGCATGT	0.29	New(7)
27	TCGCATGA	0.29	New(1)
28	CTCAGGGA	0.29	miR-125b, miR-125a, new(6)
29	CAAGTGCC	0.28	New(2)
30	ACTACTGA	0.28	-
31	TGGACCAA	0.28	miR-133b, miR-133a, new(3)
32	GTA AATAG	0.28	New(1)
33	TGTAGATA	0.28	-
34	ACACTACA	0.27	miR-142-3p, new(3)
35	GTACAGTT	0.26	New(1)
36	CACCAGCA	0.26	miR-138(t), new(4)
37	GGTACGAA	0.25	miR-126(t)
38	TGTATAGT	0.24	miR-381
39	AAGGGCTA	0.24	New(1)
40	AGCTTTAA	0.24	New(1)
41	ATTATCG	0.23	-
42	GGCAGCTA	0.23	miR-22(t), new(1)
43	GCTGTAAA	0.23	New(4)
44	GCACTAAT	0.22	-
45	AAAGGTGC	0.22	-
46	ATGTAGCA	0.22	miR-221(t), miR-222(t)
47	CACTGGA	0.21	miR-199b(t), miR-199a(t), miR-145(t), new(2)
48	GTATATAG	0.21	-
49	TTTGATAA	0.21	miR-361(t)
50	AAGCATGC	0.21	New(1)

Top 50 of 72 highly conserved 8-mer motifs in 3' UTRs and their corresponding miRNAs.

*Known human miRNAs matching complements of each 8-mer and its variants grouped in the same cluster. The dagger symbol (in parentheses) indicates miRNAs with one mismatch. When multiple new miRNAs are discovered using the 8-mer motifs as seeds, their number is indicated in parentheses. (See Supplementary Information for full alignments of known and discovered miRNAs.)

†The miRNA mature product comes from the 3' arm of the stem loop.