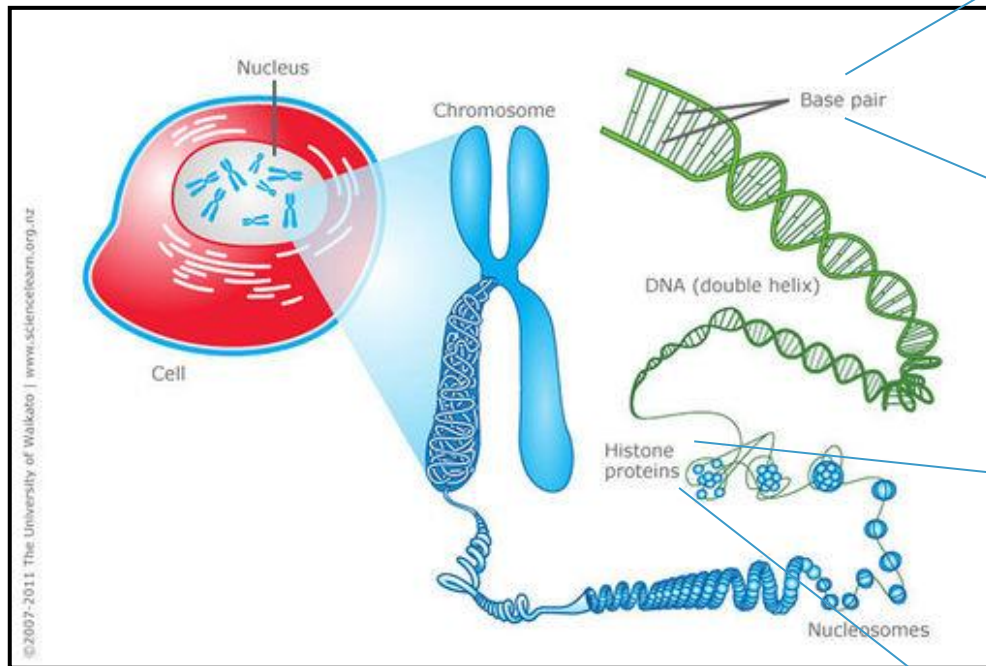


Why DNA Isn't Your Destiny

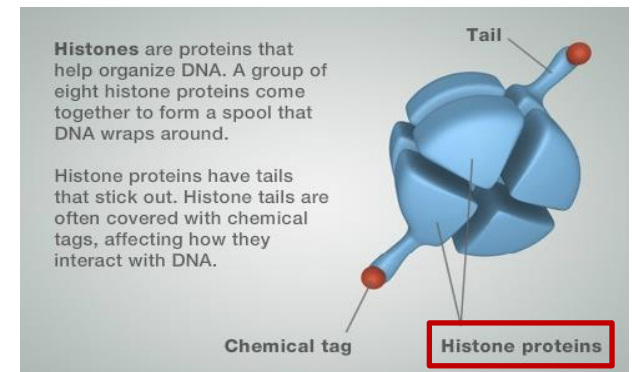


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GENOME: a genome is an organism's complete set of DNA, including all of its genes. Each genome contains all of the information needed to build and maintain that organism



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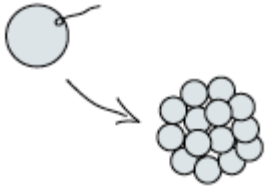


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From GENOME to EPIGENOME to CELLS to ORGANISMS

The early embryo is made up of stem cells, which can give rise to any type of cell.

50-70 trillion cells!!!!

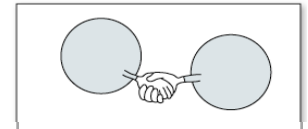


Cells listen for signals

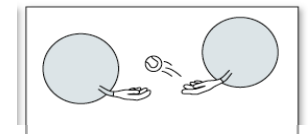


Types of signals

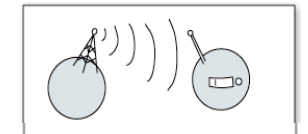
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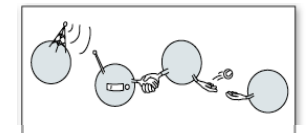
2. Transmission (factor release)



3. Hormones

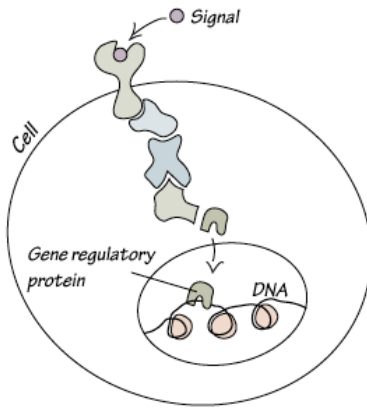


4. Combo



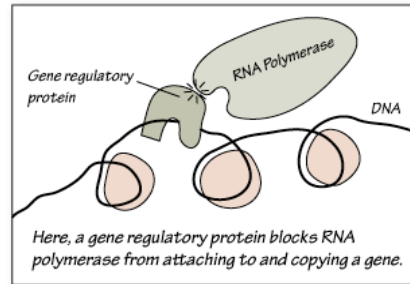
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Proteins Carry Signals to the DNA

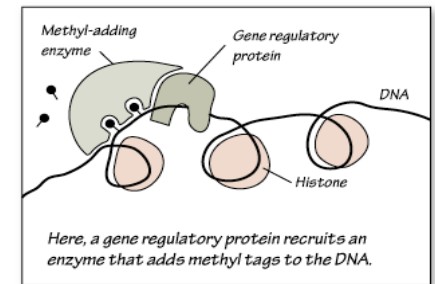


Gene Regulatory Proteins Have Two Functions

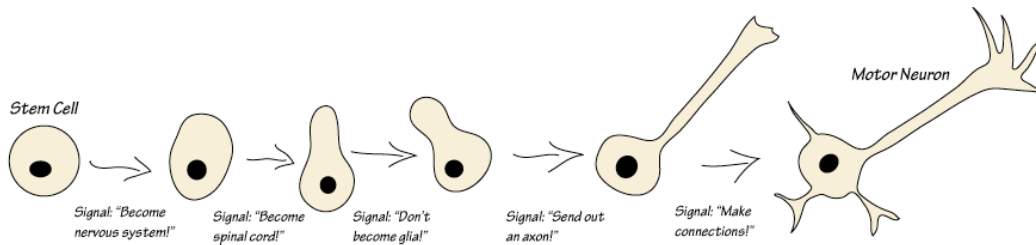
Switch genes ON/OFF



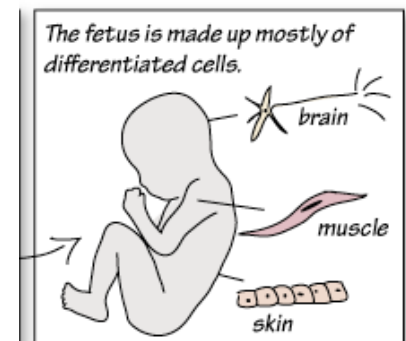
Recruit epi tag-ENZYMES



Paradigm



ORGANISM



“Force a rethink of the definition of a gene and of the minimum unit of heredity.”

EPIGENOME: the epigenome comprises all of the chemical modifications (tags) added to the genome as a way to regulate the activity (expression) of all the genes.

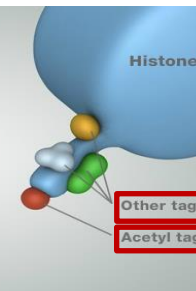
MODIFICATIONS

II. Histone Modifications

Acetyl tags are usually found near active genes. Acetyl loosens the interaction between DNA and histones, allowing easier access to the DNA.

Acetyl tags are added to the amino acid lysine on the tails of histone proteins. Acetyl is just one of many histone tags which make up a complex "histone code".

Other histone tags include methyl, phosphoryl, ubiquitin, SUMO and ADP-ribose. Scientists are still working to understand what some of these histone tags do.



I. DNA methylation

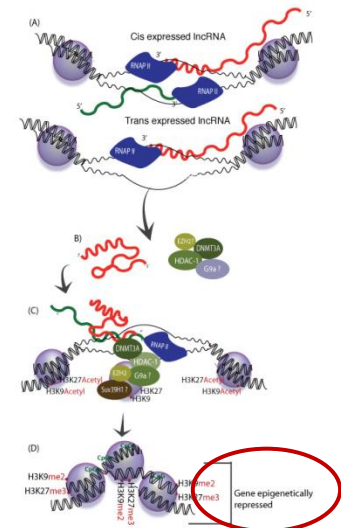
Methyl tags most often silence genes, or keep them turned off.

Methyl tags are added to a cytosine at the sequence CG. They can silence genes in two ways:

- Methyl tags can block transcription machinery from binding to the DNA
- Methyl tags recruit proteins that bind to methylated DNA, which then block transcription machinery from binding.



III. ncRNA associated gene silencing



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RESEARCH CONSORTIA

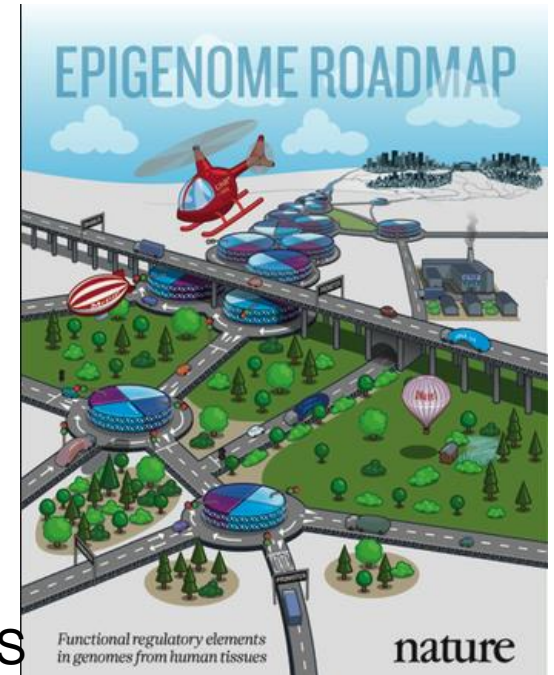
BLUEPRINT
epigenome

BLOOD CELLS

ENCODE
Encyclopedia for DNA Elements

CELL LINES

111 CELLS & TISSUES

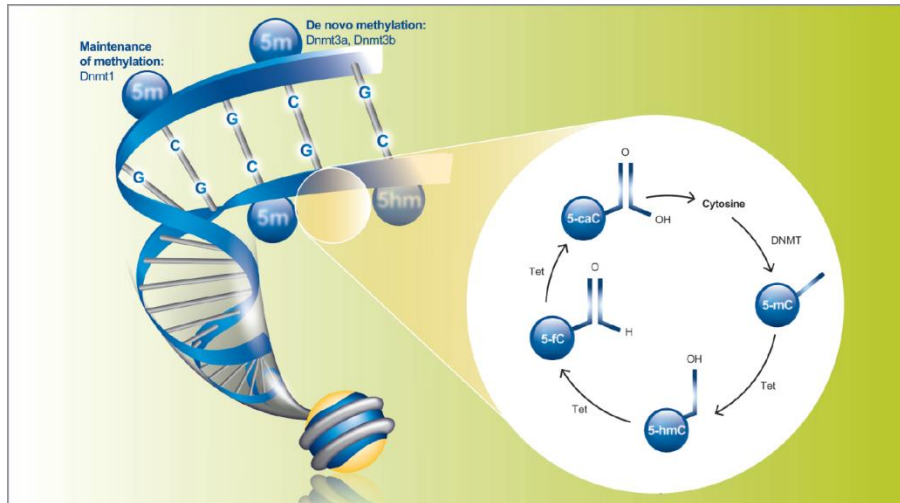




1. How is genetic information interpreted by single cells?
2. Annotate cis-regulatory elements.
3. Create *maps* of epigenomic modifications.
4. Produce clinically usefull epigenetic information.
5. Dissect gene regulatory programs in development and disease.

METHODS

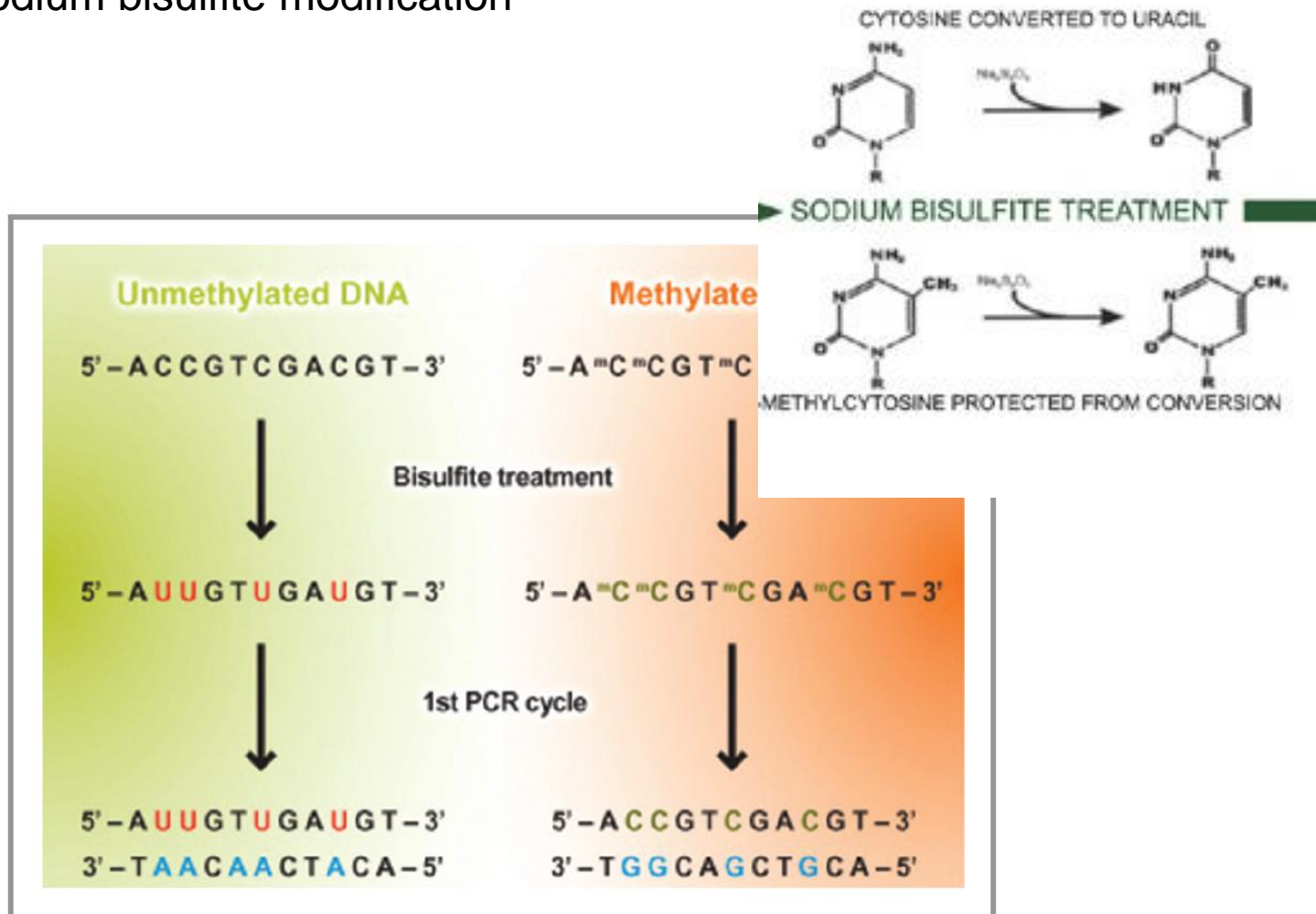
I. DNA methylation



- a) Sodium bisulfite modification
- b) Sequence-specific enzyme digestion
- c) Capture/quantification of methylated DNA

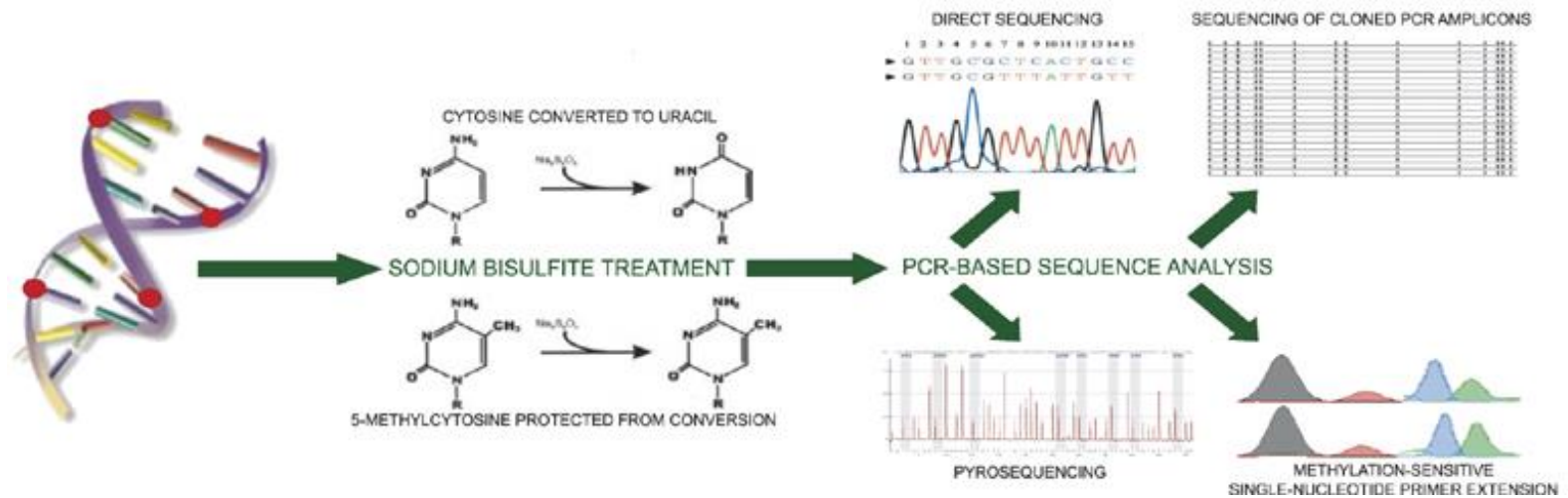
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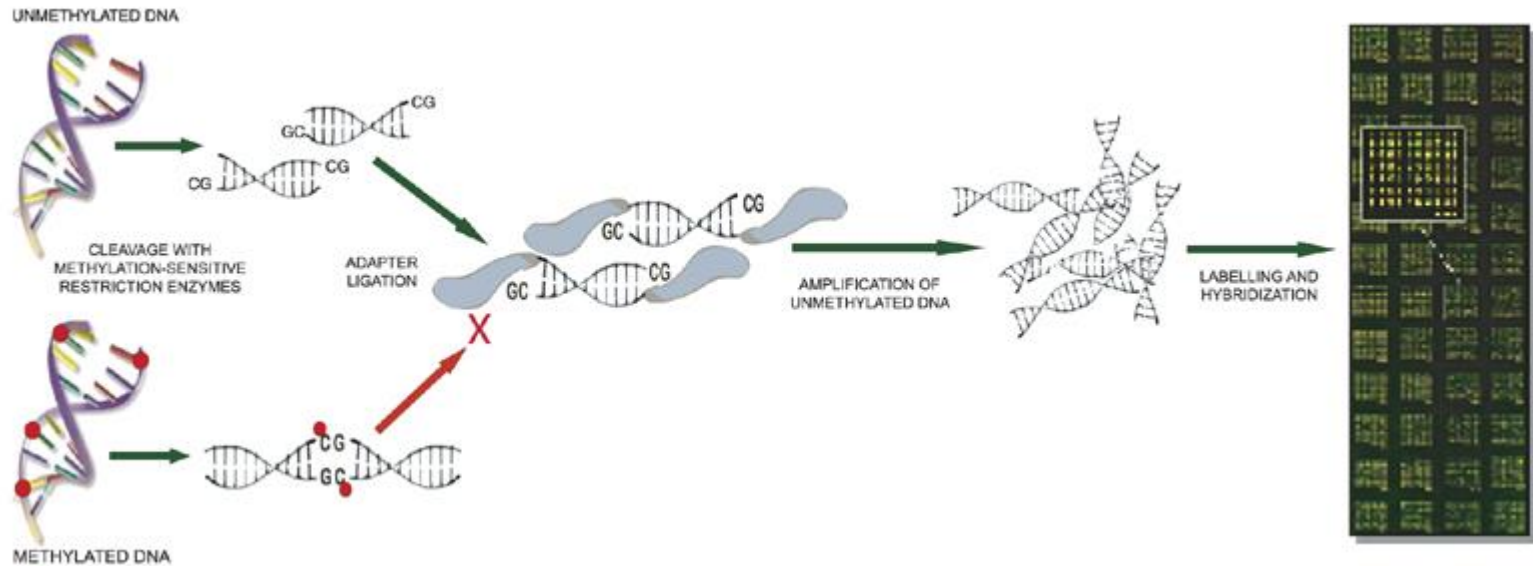
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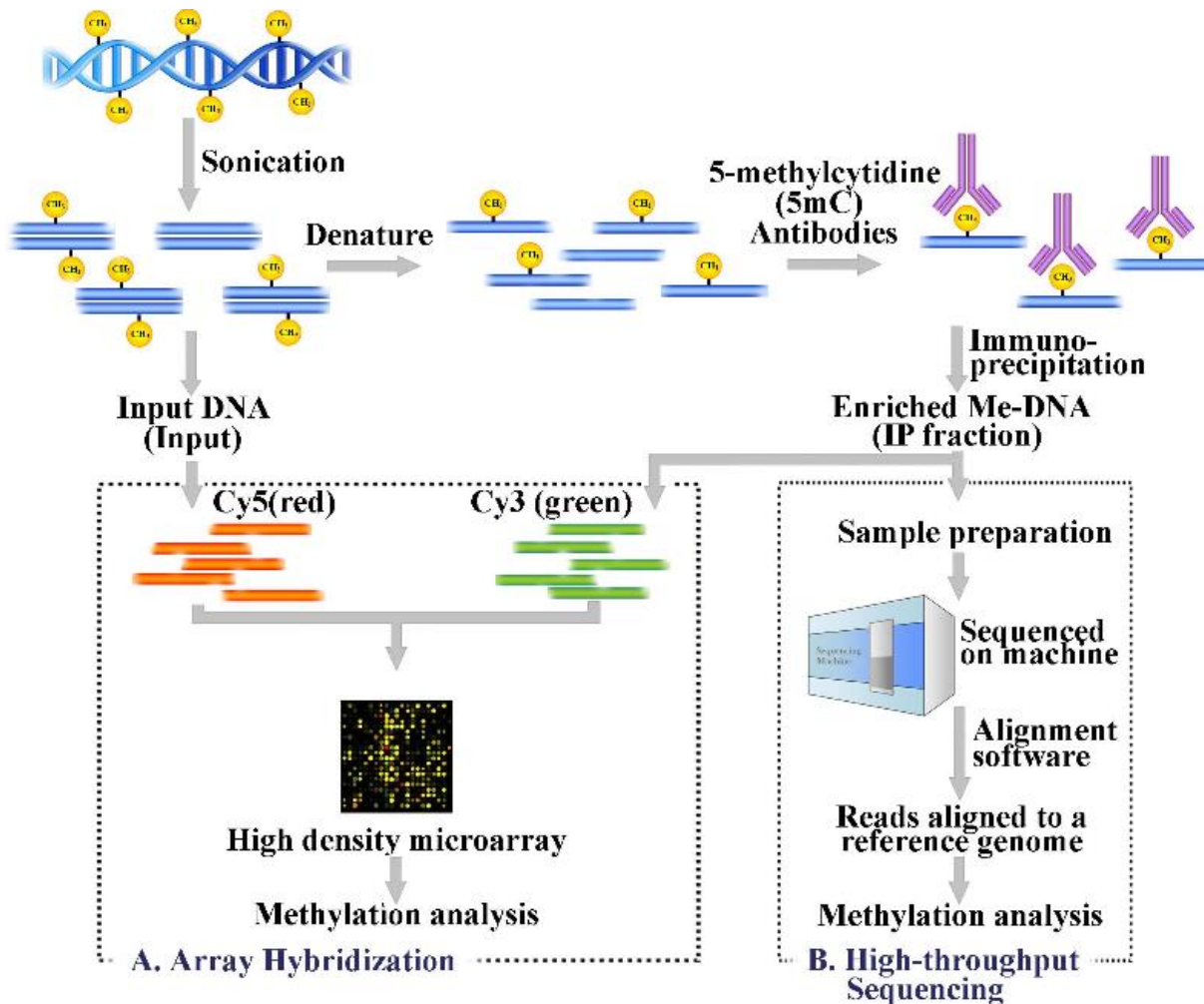
METHODS

b) Sequence-specific enzyme digestion

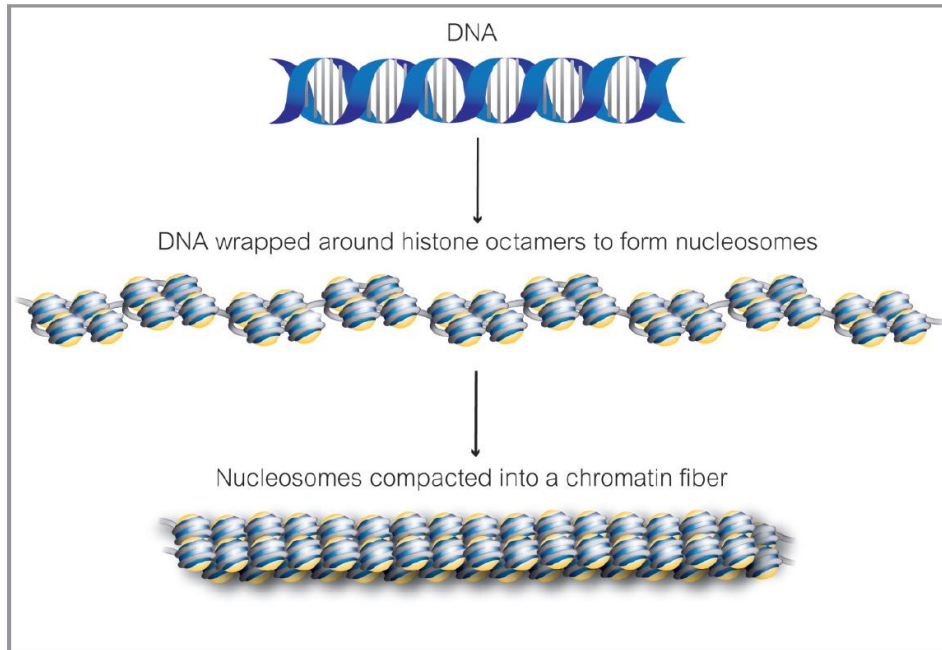


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c) Capture/quantification of methylated DNA (MeDIP)



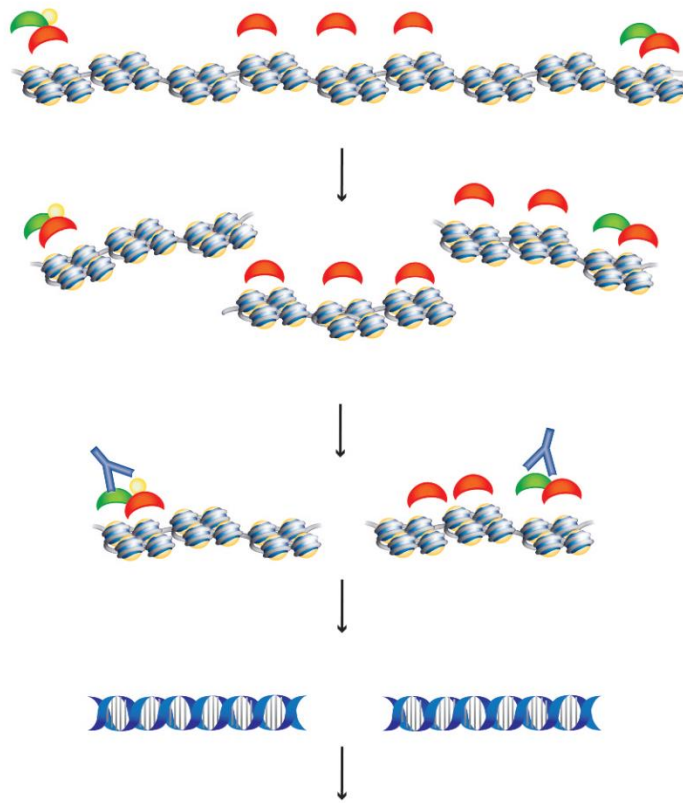
II. Chromatin Modifications



a) Chromatin Immunoprecipitation

METHODS

a) Chromatin Immunoprecipitation (ChIP)



Downstream analysis

1. Cross-link DNA and proteins (optional)

2. Chromatin fragmentation by sonication or by enzymatic methods (e.g. Micrococcal nuclease)

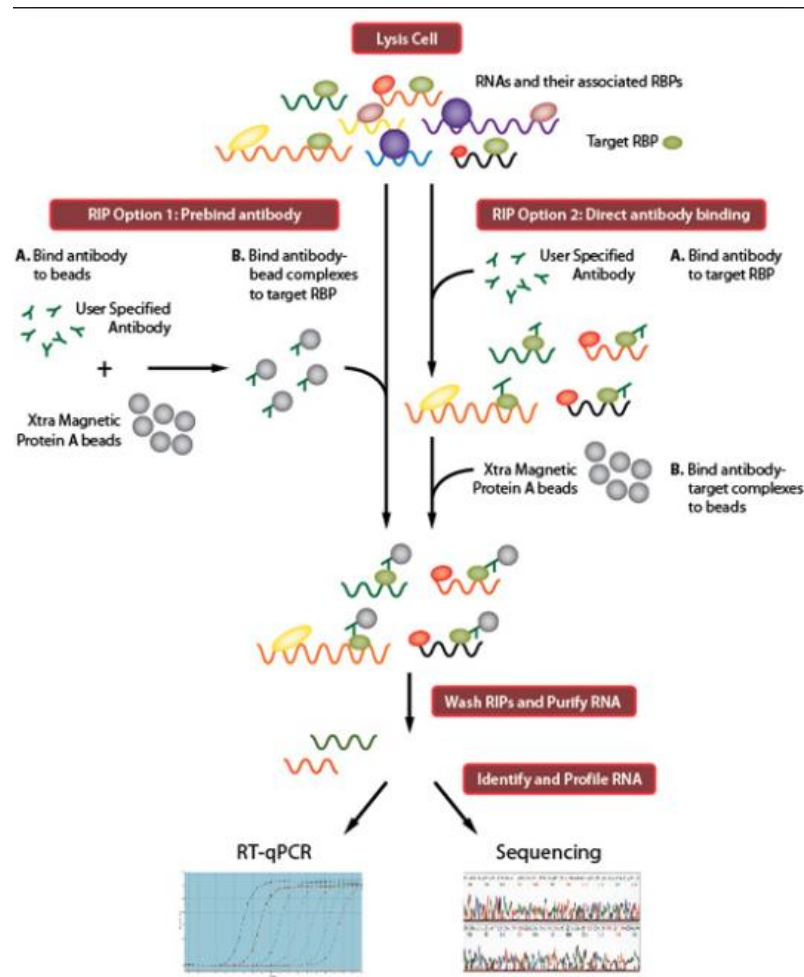
3. Immunoprecipitation of the chromatin fragments interacting with the target protein/modification.

4. Reverse cross-link (when necessary) and DNA purification

5. Analysis of the immunoprecipitated fraction to determine abundance of target sequence(s) relative to input. Common methods include qPCR, ChIPseq and ChIP-Chip.

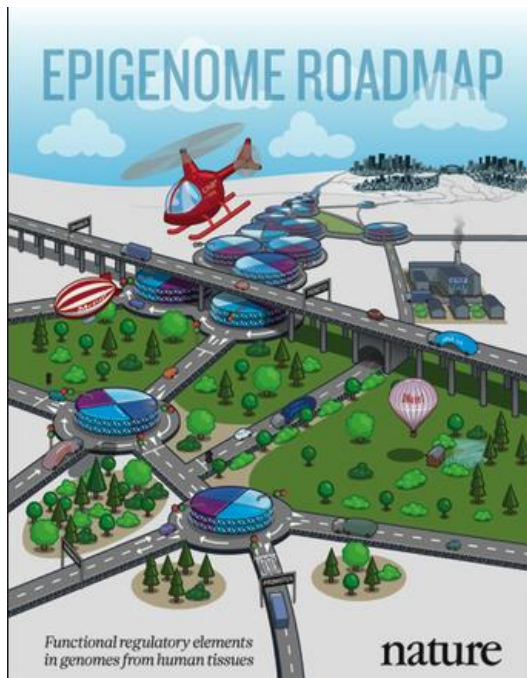
METHODS

a) RNA-protein interactions (RIP)



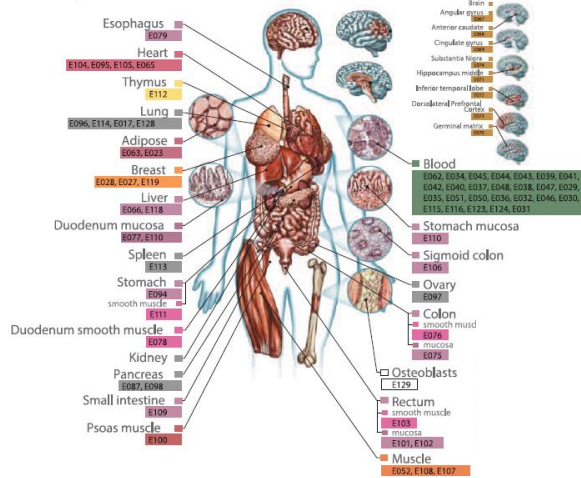
Integrative analysis of 111 reference human epigenomes

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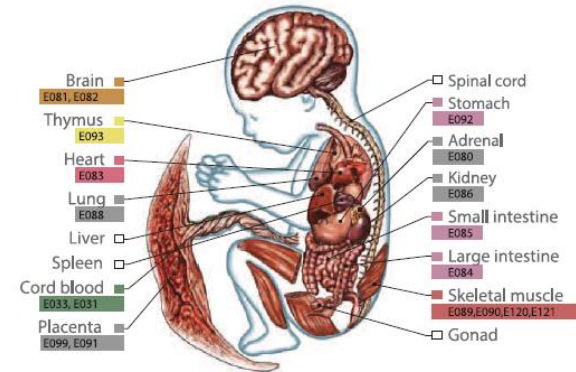


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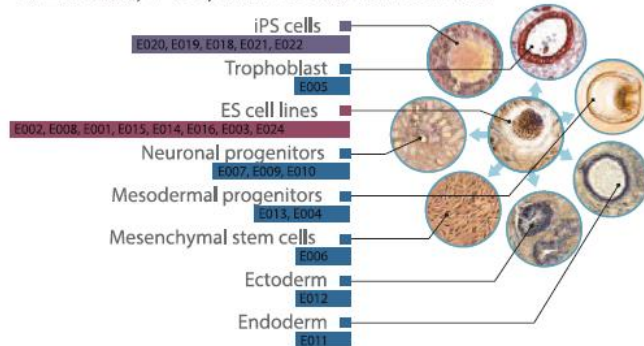
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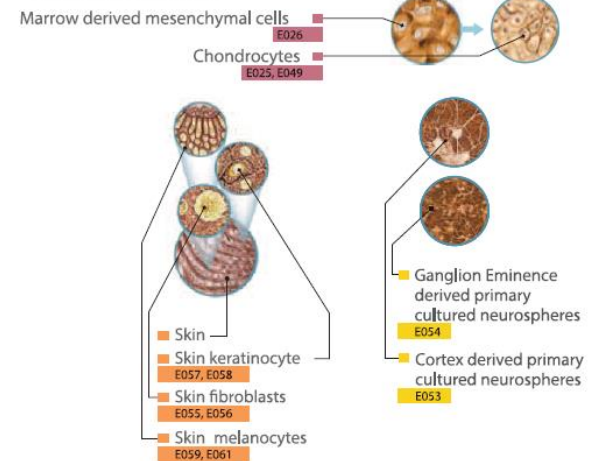
b. Primary tissues and cells - fetal samples



c. ES cells, iPSC, and ES cell-derived cells

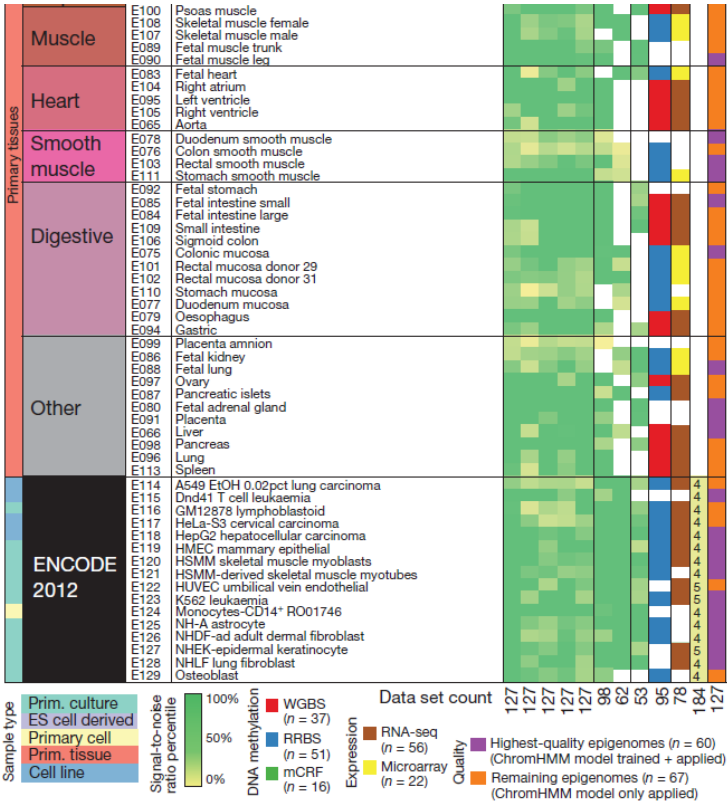


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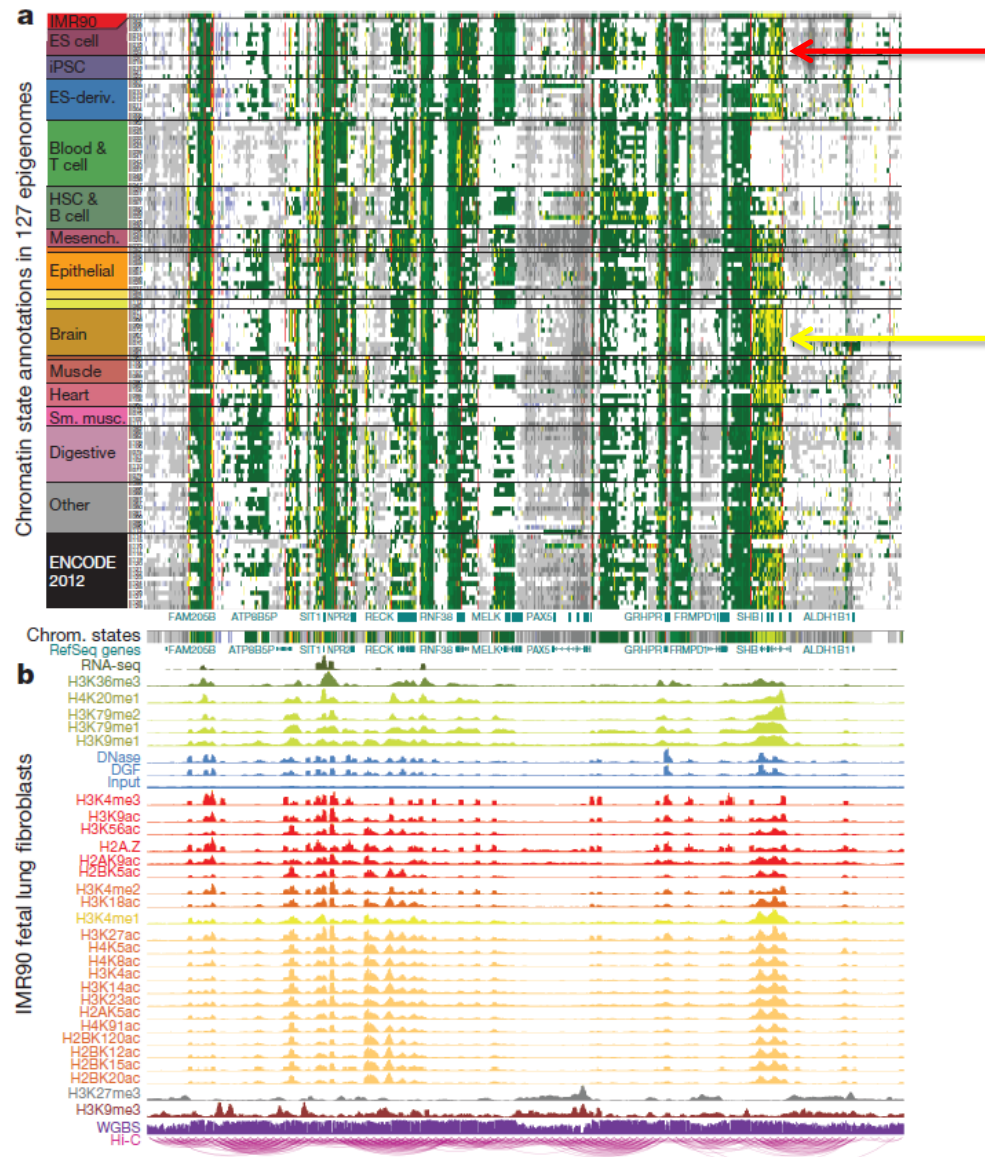


DATA SETS for each epigenome

a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j	k		
Sample type	Cell type/ tissue group	EID	Epigenome name	H3K4me1 H3K4me3 H3K9me3 H3K27me3 H3K9me3	H3K27ac H3K9ac	DNAse-Seq DNA methyl	Gene expr.	Addit marks	Chrom.	states		
Primary cultures	IMR90	E017	IMR90 fetal lung fibroblasts						21			
		E002	ES-WA7 cells						21			
	ES cell	E008	H9 cells									
		E001	ES-i3 cells									
		E015	HUES6 cells									
		E014	HUES48 cells									
		E016	HUES64 cells									
		E003	H1 cells									
	iPSC	E024	ES-UCSF4 cells						20			
		E020	iPS-20b cells									
ES cell derived	iPSC	E019	iPS-18 cells									
		E018	iPS-15b cells									
	E021	iPS DF 6.9 cells										
	E022	iPS DF 19.11 cells										
	ES-deriv.	E007	H1 derived neuronal progenitor cultured cells						13			
		E009	H9 derived neuronal progenitor cultured cells						1			
		E010	H9 derived neuron cultured cells									
		E013	HUES64 derived CD56 ⁺ mesoderm									
		E012	HUES64 derived CD56 ⁺ ectoderm									
		E011	HUES64 derived CD184 ⁺ endoderm									
Primary cells	Blood & T cell	E004	H1 BMP4 derived mesendoderm						11			
		E005	H1 BMP4 derived trophoblast						15			
	HSC & B cell	E006	H1 derived mesenchymal stem cells						13			
		E062	Primary mononuclear cells (from PB)									
		E034	Primary T cells from primary blood (from PB)									
		E045	Primary T cells effector/memory enriched (PB)									
		E033	Primary T cells from cord blood									
		E044	Primary T regulatory cells (from PB)									
		E043	Primary T helper cells (from PB)									
		E039	Primary T helper naive cells (from PB)									
Primary cultures	Mesench.	E041	Primary T helper cells PMA-I stimulated									
		E042	Primary T helper 17 cells PMA-I stimulated									
	Myosat.	E040	Primary T helper memory cells (from PB)									
		E037	Primary T helper memory cells (from PB)									
		E048	Primary T CD8 ⁺ memory cells (from PB)									
		E038	Primary T helper naive cells (from PB)									
		E047	Primary T CD8 ⁺ naive cells (from PB)									
		E029	Primary monocytes (from PB)									
		E031	Primary B cells from cord blood									
		E035	Primary haematopoietic stem cells (HSCs)									
Primary cultures	Epithelial	E051	Primary HSCs G-CSF-mobilized male									
		E050	Primary HSCs G-CSF-mobilized female									
	Neurosph.	E036	Primary HSCs short term culture									
		E032	Primary B cells (from PB)									
		E046	Primary natural killer cells (from PB)									
		E030	Primary neutrophils (from PB)									
		E026	Bone marrow derived MSCs									
		E049	Mesenchymal stem cell deriv. chondrocyte									
		E025	Adipose-derived mesenchymal stem cells									
		E023	Mesenchymal stem cell derived adipocyte									
Primary cultures	Thymus	E052	Muscle satellite						1			
		E056	Foreskin fibroblast									
	Brain	E056	Foreskin fibroblast									
		E059	Foreskin melanocyte									
		E061	Foreskin melanocyte									
		E057	Foreskin keratinocyte									
		E058	Foreskin keratinocyte									
		E028	Breast vHMEC mammary epithelial									
		E027	Breast myoepithelial									
		Primary cultures	Adipose	E054	Ganglion eminence derived neurospheres							
E053	Cortex derived neurospheres											
Thymus	E112		Thymus									
	E093		Fetal thymus									
	Brain		E071	Brain hippocampus middle								
			E074	Brain substantia nigra								
			E068	Brain anterior caudate								
			E069	Brain cingulate gyrus								
			E072	Brain inferior temporal lobe								
			E067	Brain angular gyrus								
E073		Brain dorsolateral prefrontal cortex										
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	Thymus	E063	Adipose nuclei									



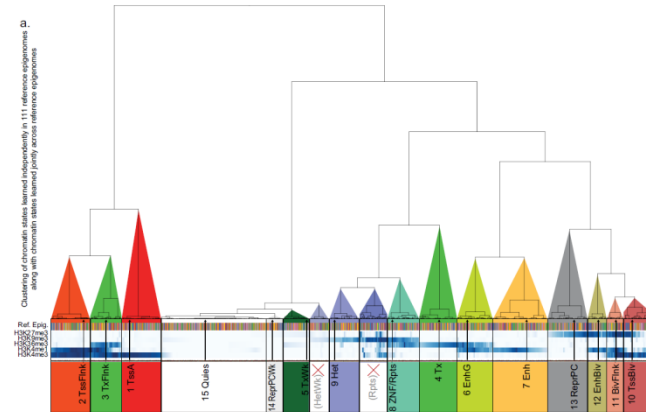
Chromatin State Annotation across tissues



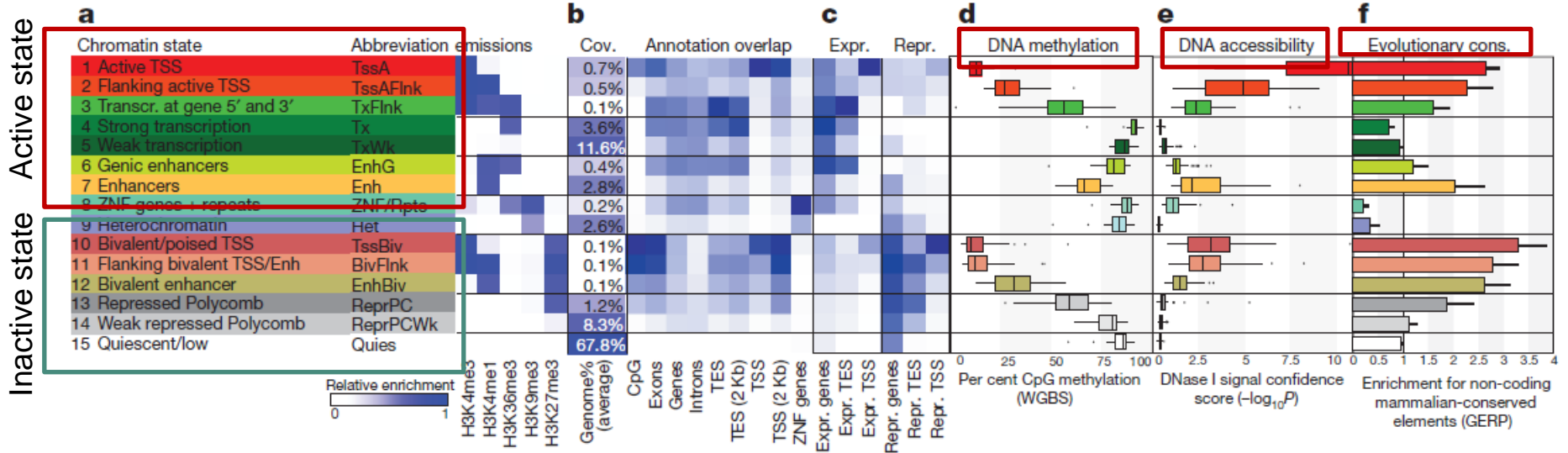
Promoters are primarily constitutive, while Enhancers are highly dynamic

Chromatin State and DNA methylation dynamics

Chromatin States

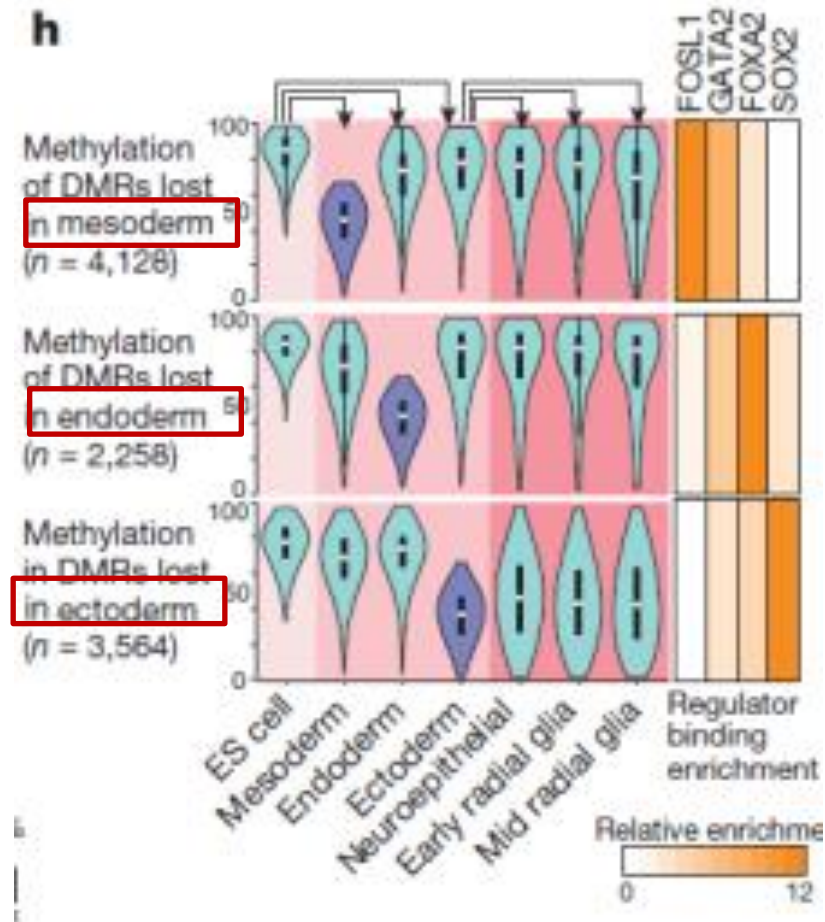


Human ES cells



Chromatin State and DNA methylation dynamics During Lineage Specification

ES cell differentiation



*Chromatin State and DNA methylation dynamics
During Lineage Specification*

Skin Cells

Keratinocytes

Surface Ectoderm

Melanocytes

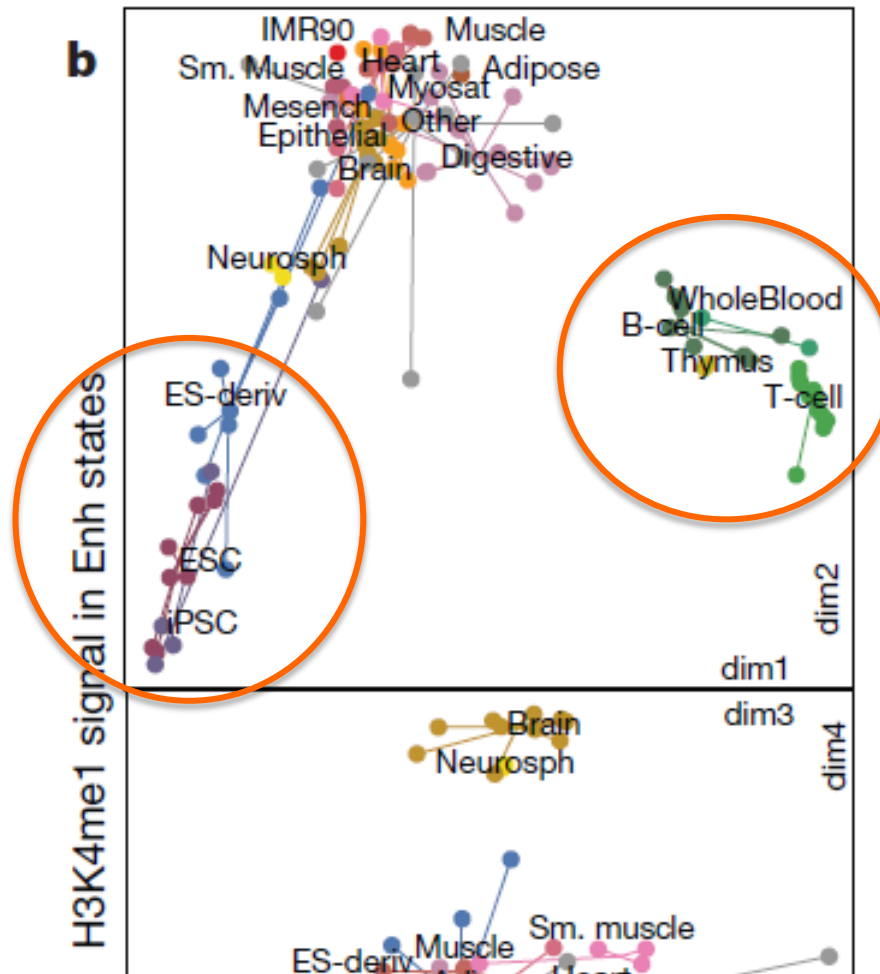
Neural Crest

Fibroblasts

Mesoderm

*“Low overlap in DNA methylation & histone modification
signatures.”*

Epigenome Relationships

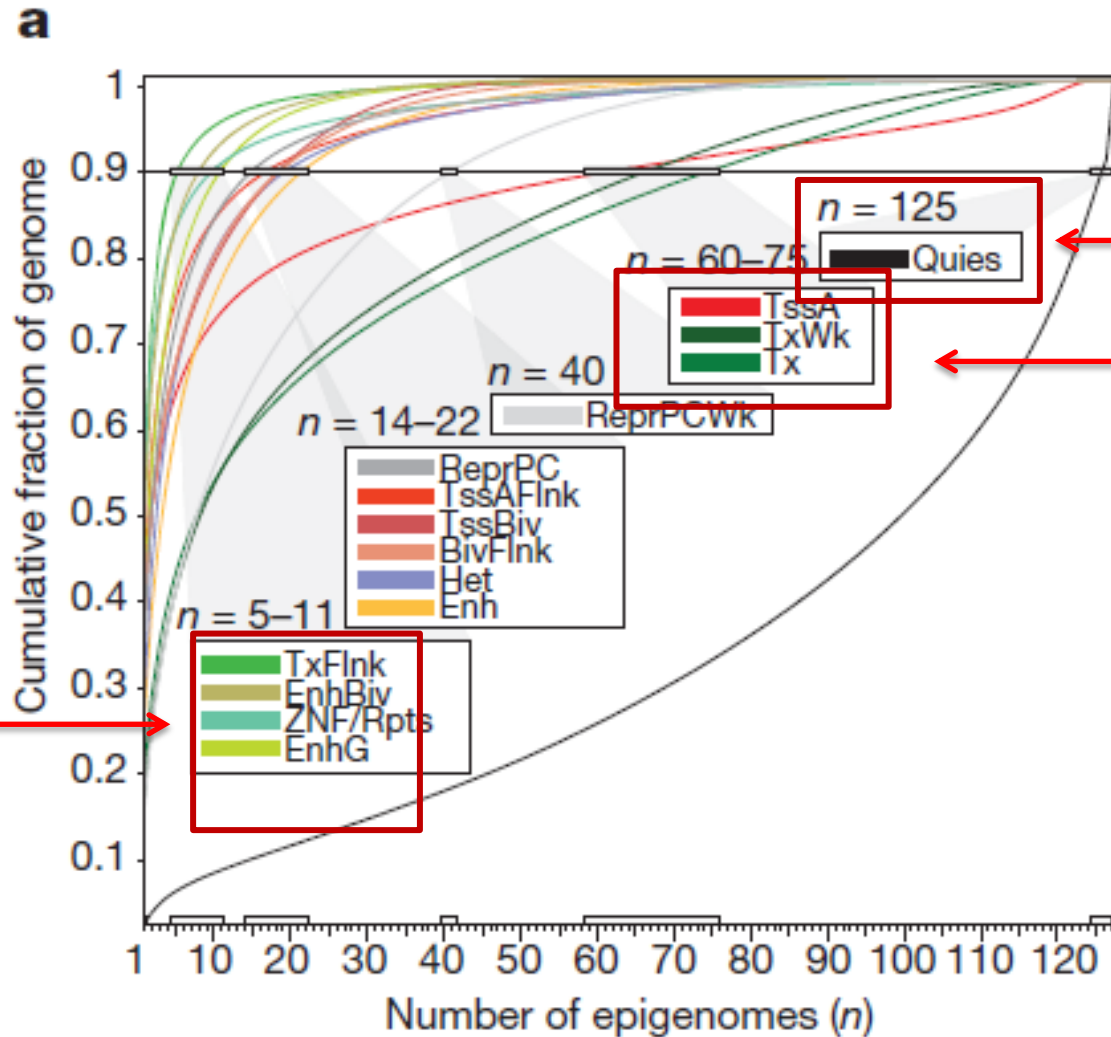
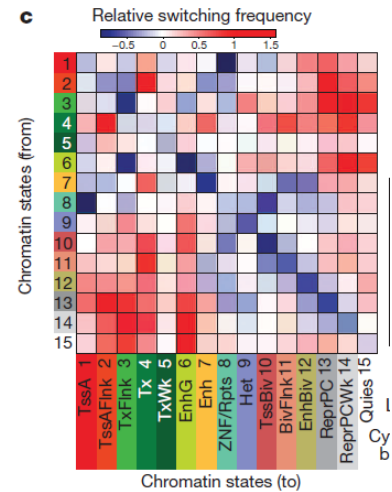


“Lines with common developmental origins show similar epigenetic modification patterns.”

CONCLUSION

“Common developmental origins can be a primary determinant of global DNA methylation patterns.”

Cell Type differences in Chromatin states



Most Constitutive
Quiescent
Regions

Constitutive –
Active states

H3K4me1

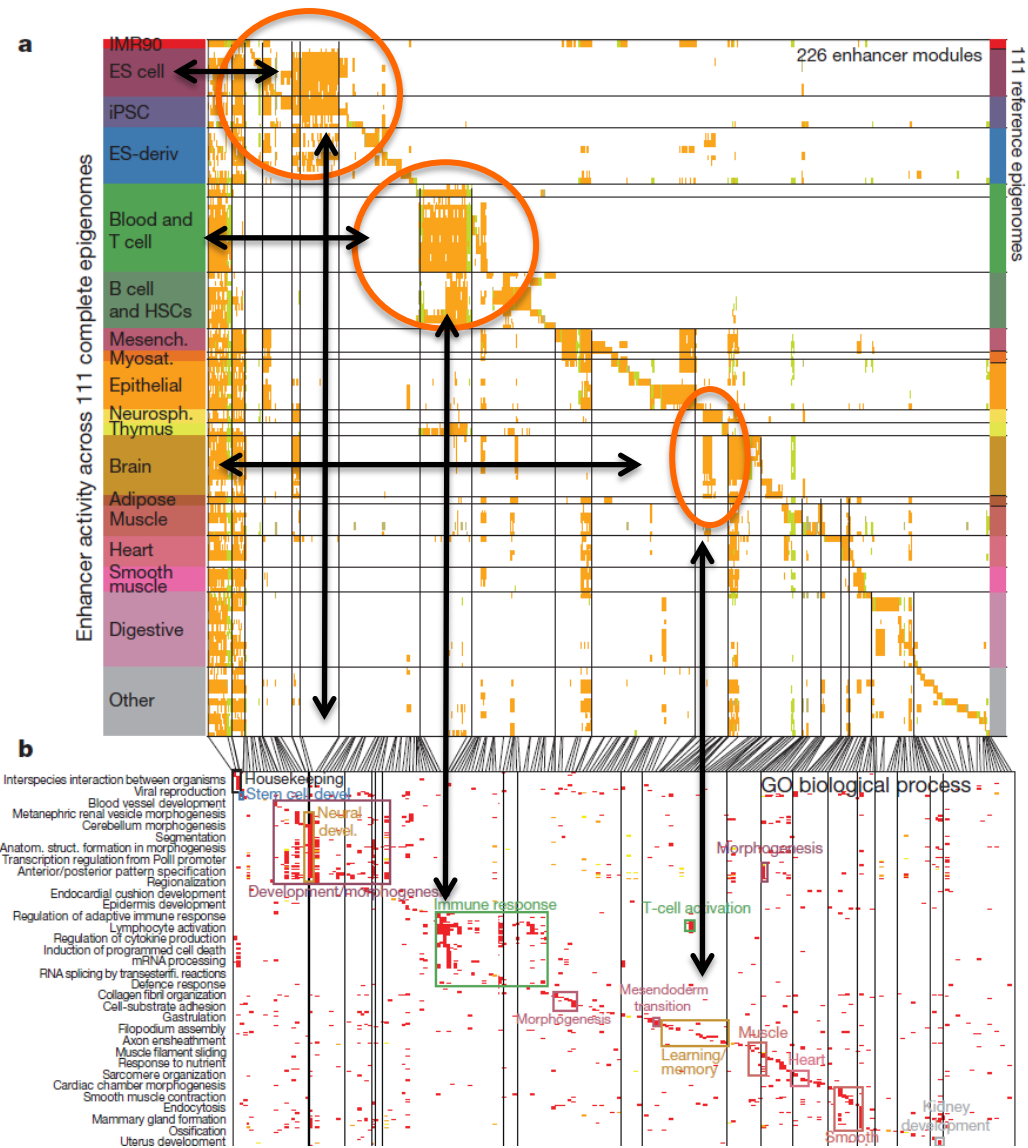
Tissue Specific –
Inactive states

CELL TYPE SPECIFICITY

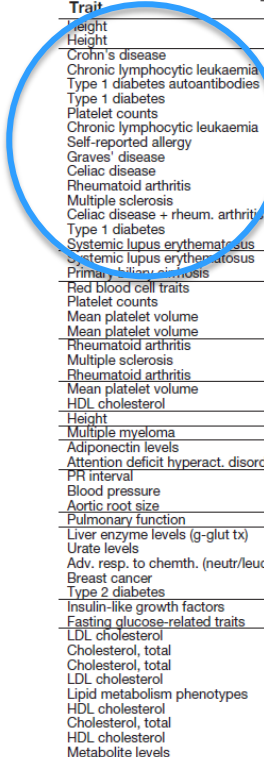
Chromatin states

1. **Hematopoietic stem cells and Immune cells** show a consistent and previously unrecognized depletion of active and bivalent promoters (TssA, TssBiv) and weakly transcribed states (TxWk).
2. **ES cells and iPS cells** show enrichment of TssBiv, consistent with previous studies. They also show a depletion of ReprPCWk, possibly due to restriction of H3K27m3-establishing Polycomb proteins to promoter regions.

Epigenetic Dynamics - Regulators

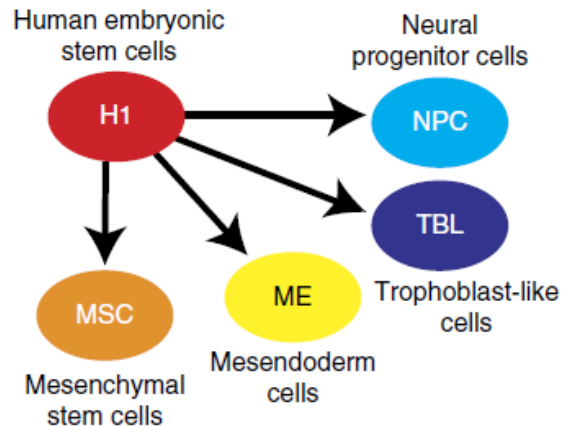


Linking Epigenomic Enrichments to Disease traits

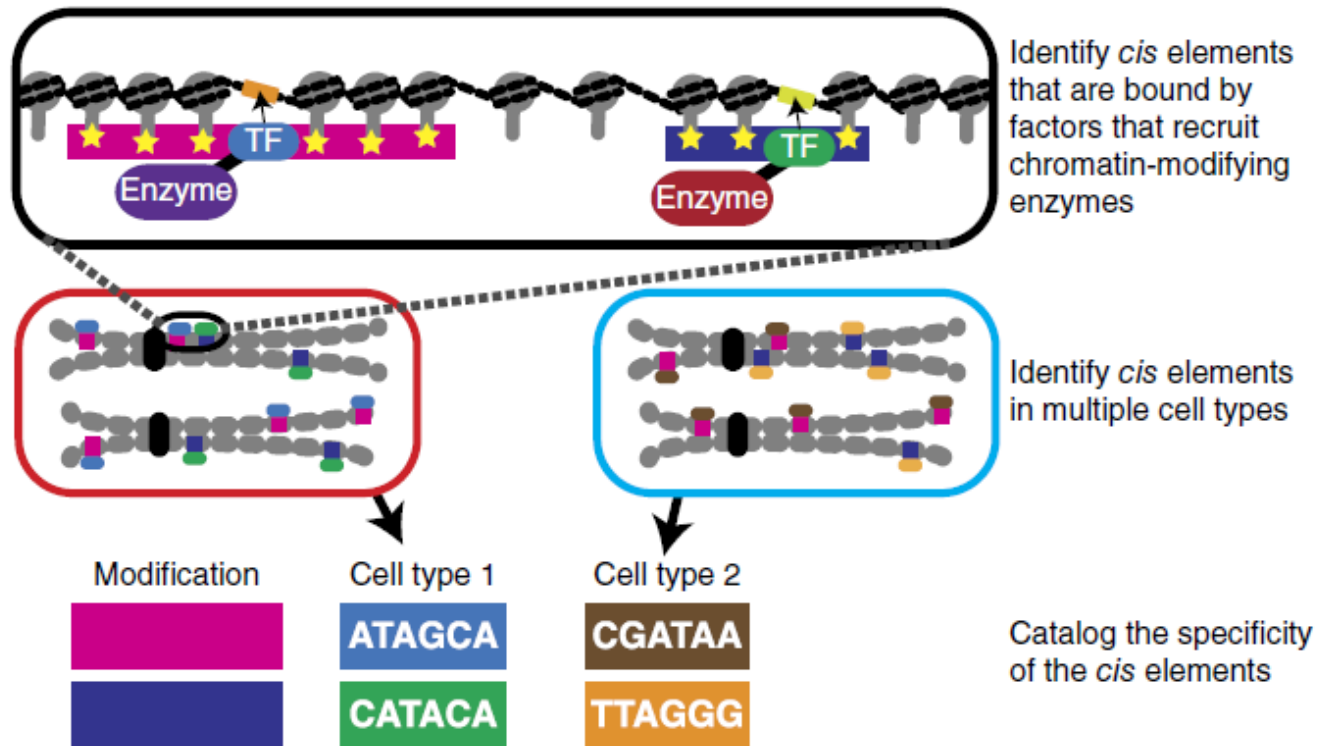


Predicting the human epigenome from DNA motifs

John W Whitaker^{1,3}, Zhao Chen¹ & Wei Wang^{1,2}

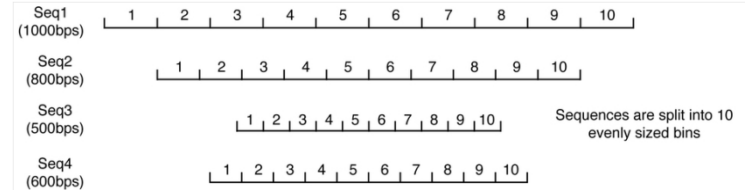


Analysis Pipeline

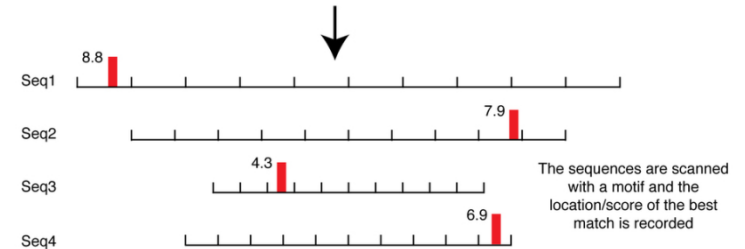


Analysis Pipeline

Large number of sequences

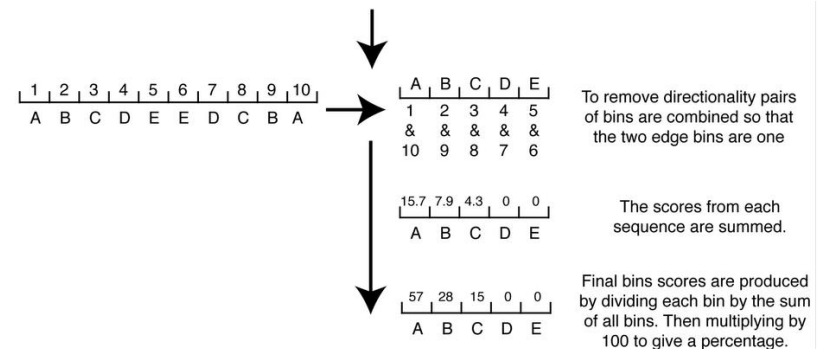


Variable size regions



Sequences are greatly unbalanced for G-C content

H3 modification	Function
K4me1	Enhancers
K4me3	Promoters
K9me3	Repressive
K27ac	Active
K27me3	Repressive
K36me3	Transcription
DNA methylation	Repressive



Motif Combinations

Analysis Pipeline -EPIGRAM

Reads normalized
for G+C biases

Peak calling

Sequence-set balancing
(SSB)

De novo motif discovery

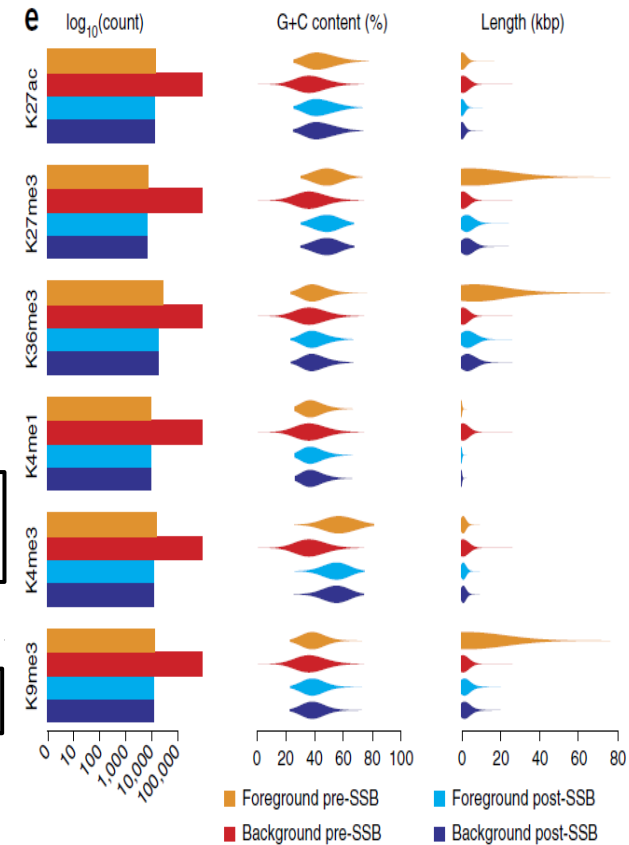
HOMER & EPIGRAM
algorithms

Feature selection

Full set of motifs

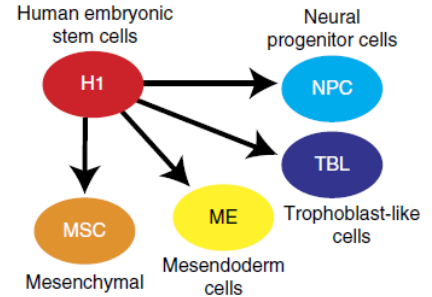
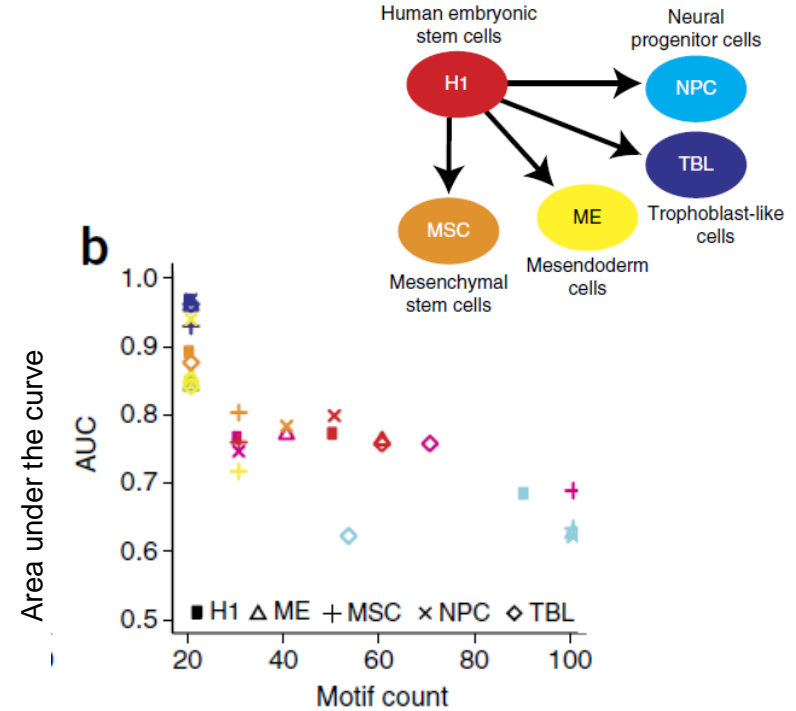
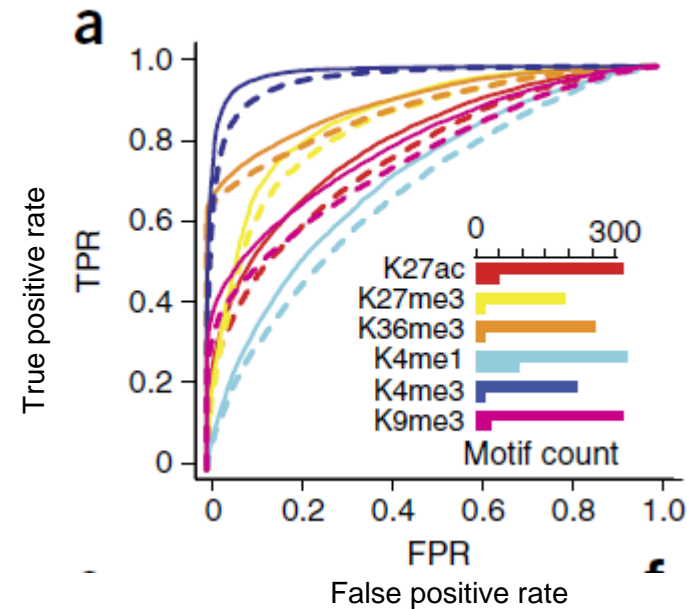
Random Forest classifier

Effect of sequence-set balancing (SSB) on
sequence sets

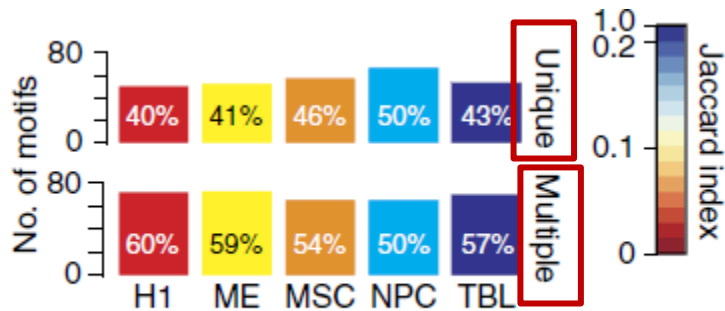


Prediction Performance

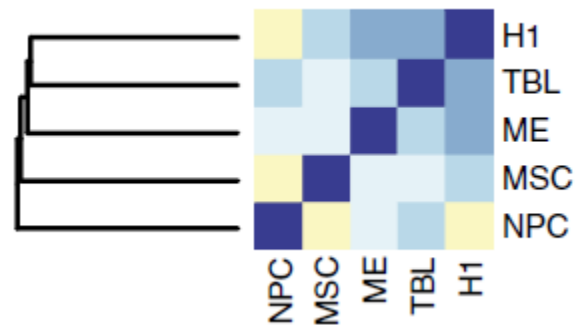
Receiver Operating Characteristic (ROC) curve



Motifs predictive of epigenetic modification

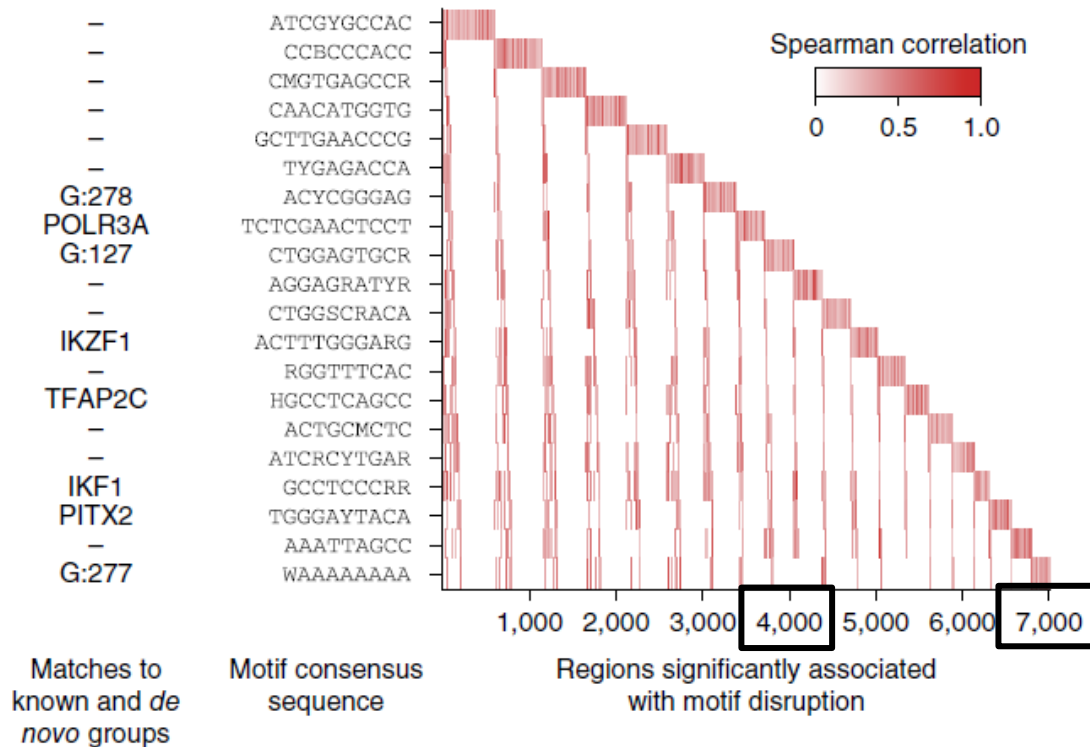


Heat Map



Motif distribution Paradigm

Motif distribution is correlated with H3K27ac variation



H3 modification	Function
K4me1	Enhancers
K4me3	Promoters
K9me3	Repressive
K27ac	Active
K27me3	Repressive
K36me3	Transcription
DNA methylation	Repressive

SUMMARY

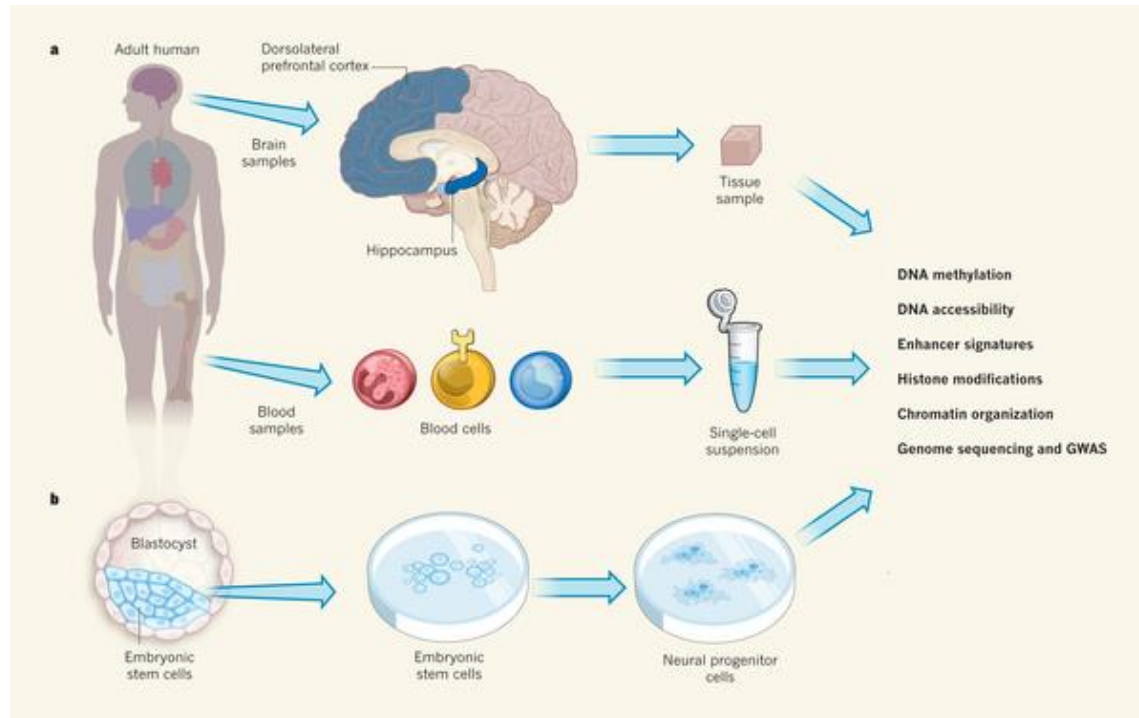
The first comprehensive catalog of DNA motifs

Define the mechanisms by which DNA motifs orchestrate the epigenome

In light of the genome editing technologies, these approaches can be used to guide locus-specific epigenome editing through alteration of the regulatory cis-elements.

OVERVIEW

1. *How the epigenome affects gene expression?*
2. *How the epigenome changes during stem-cell differentiation (normal development)?*
3. *How the epigenome changes during disease?*



CAVEATS

1. *Studies are based on analysis of cell populations*

→ *Cellular Variability within populations*

2. *Tissue Sample: Enhancer landscapes represent the composite of cell types that make up the tissue*

→ *Use purified cell populations from in vivo sources*

3. *The DNA sequences found in cell specific enhancers provide clues for TF that regulate the enhancers*

→ *these clues must be validated experimentally*

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THREAD 1

1. Annotation of the non-coding genome

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2. Relationship between different epigenomic marks: DNA accessibility and methylation, histone marks, and RNA

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THREAD 3

3. Epigenomic changes during differentiation and development

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THREAD 4

4. Regulatory models: networks, motifs, modules, sequence drivers and predictive models

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THREAD 5

5. Interpreting variation: GWAS, cancer, genotype, evolution and allelic

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THREAD 6

6. Epigenomic changes in human disease and during cancer progression

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THREAD 7

7. Brain epigenomes

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EVOLUTION

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