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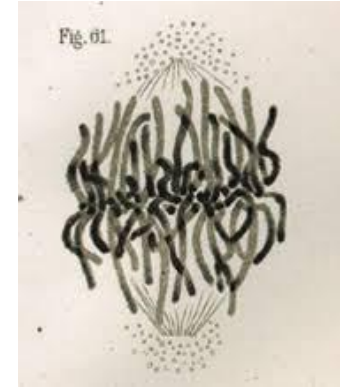
Functional and Spatial annotation of livestocks' genomes

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Chromosome and DNA: a long history

Chromosome discovery

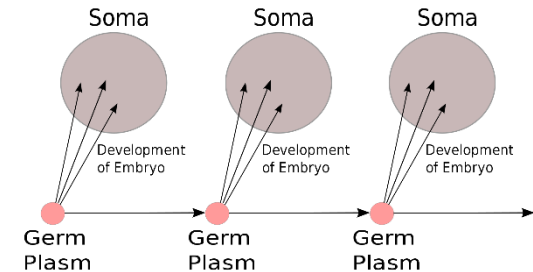
- 1842: First observation of chromosomes in plant cells by Karl Wilhelm von Nägeli
- 1882: First observation of chromosomes in animal cells by Walther Flemming during mitosis



Flemming, W. Zellsubstanz, Kern und Zelltheilung (F. C. W. Vogel, Leipzig, 1882).

Chromosome theory of inheritance

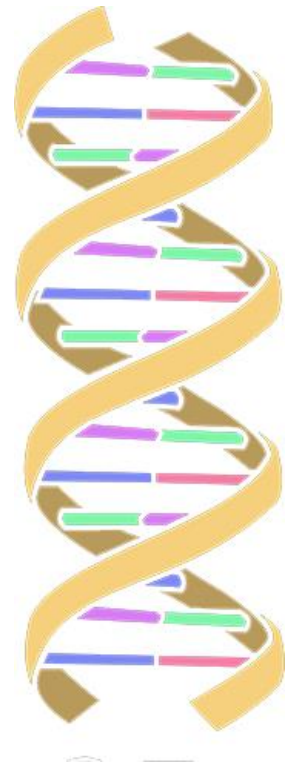
- 1866: Mendel's laws on inheritance of traits
- 1892 : Germ Plasm : a Theory of Heredity (refutation of inheritance of acquired traits, chromosome) by August Weissman & Wilhelm Roux
- 1902: Chromosome theory of inheritance by Boveri-Sutton. Chromosomes are the carriers of genetic material and worked by pairs in accordance to Mendel's laws



Chromosome and DNA: a long history

DNA is the molecule that carries the genetic information

- 1869 : First isolation of nuclein by Friedrich Miescher
- 1919 : Phoebus Levene identified the molecular structure of DNA
- 1944: Avery-MacLeod-McArty showed that DNA is the material which genes and chromosomes are made**
- 1953: Double Helix structure of DNA by Watson and Crick
- 1977: Sanger method for DNA sequencing
- 1978: DNA sequenced Φ X174 5,386 nt
- 1995: Genome sequence of Haemophilus influenza: first bacteria to be sequenced (Craig Venter group): 1.8M bases
- 2001: First version of the human genome : 3.2 billion of bases



Livestock genomes: a younger history

2001
Genomic selection
proposed

2004
Chicken
(Red Jungle Fowl)
genome sequence



2002
Mouse draft
genome
sequence

2003
Human genome
sequence "finished"
\$3 billion



2008
Human 1000
Genomes
Project
launched



2010
Turkey genome
sequenced

2012
Pig genome
sequenced

2009
Cattle genome
sequenced

Horse genome
Sequenced

Mouse genome
"finished"



2003
ENCODE
(1%)
launched



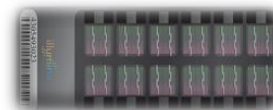
2008
Bovine 50K
SNP chip

2009
Pig 60K SNP chip

2010
750K bovine
SNP chips

2007
ENCODE
genome-wide

Sheep 60K SNP
chip



Book of life – How do you read it ?



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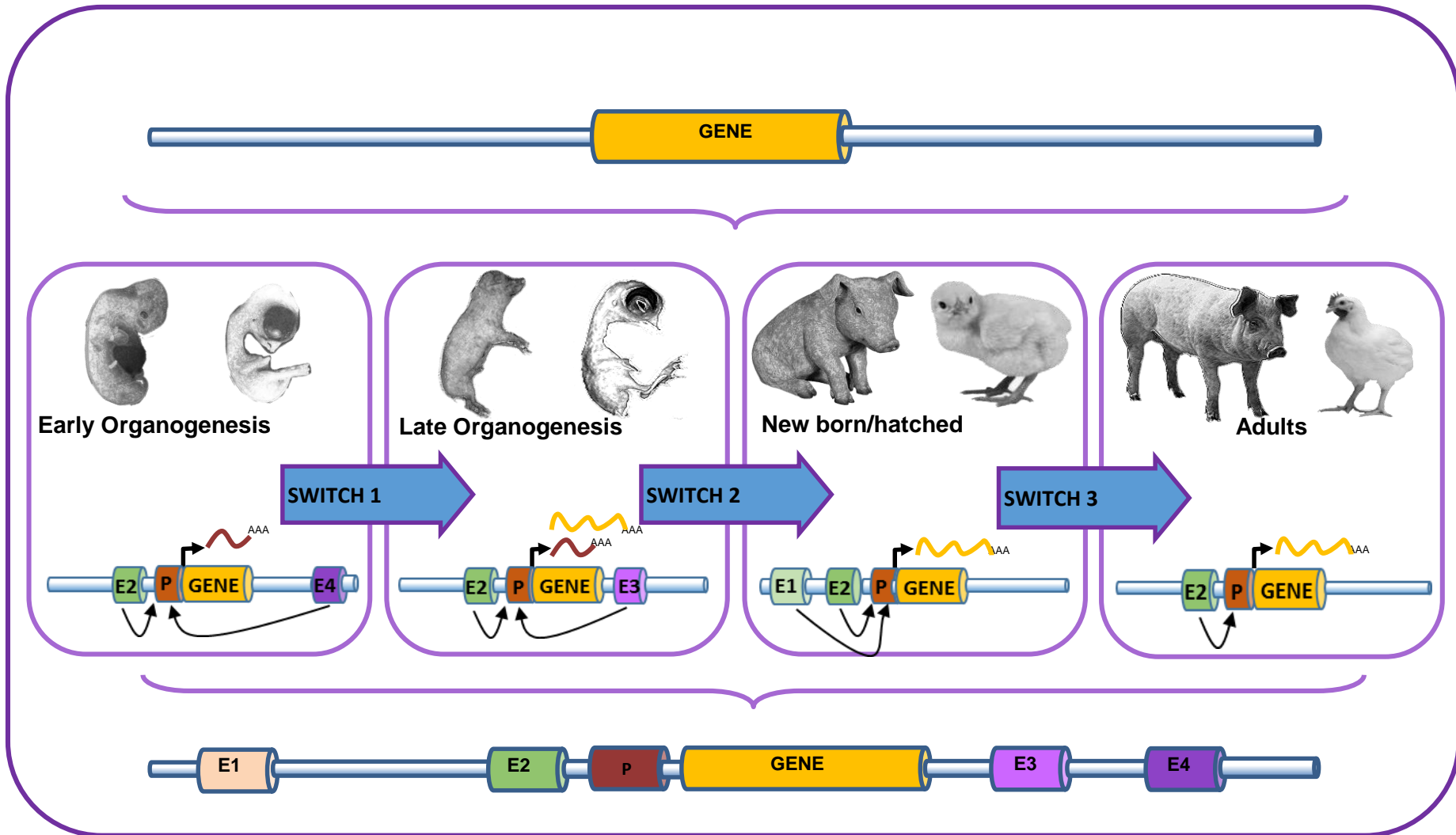
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Book of life – How do you read it ?

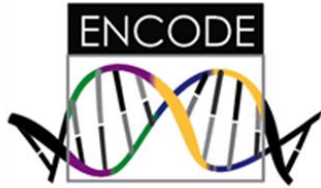
Dans la première partie de ce livre, Combray, le narrateur évoque les séjours passés dans la maison de tante Léonie alors qu'il était enfant. Il se souvient avec nostalgie du baiser du soir de [sa mère](#), baiser tant attendu, mais parfois retardé par un invité, souvent [M. Swann](#). Il nous fait connaître des personnes de son entourage, sa [tante Léonie](#), malade gardant toujours la chambre, sa [grand-mère](#) un peu fantasque qui aime se promener sous la pluie, [Françoise](#) la fidèle cuisinière, les habitants du village. Il évoque ses goûts pour la lecture, les longues promenades avec ses parents, du côté de chez [Swann](#) ou de [Guermantes](#).

La seconde partie, Un amour de Swann, se déroule quelques années avant la naissance du narrateur. [Charles Swann](#), riche collectionneur d'objets d'art va finir par céder aux avances pas tout à fait désintéressées d'[Odette de Crécy](#), demi-mondaine, qui le fera d'ailleurs beaucoup souffrir. On découvre le salon des [Verdurin](#), fréquenté par de nombreux personnages qui figureront tout au long de l'œuvre : [Cottard](#), [Saniette](#), [Brichot](#), [Forcheville](#) et bien d'autres. Lassé par les nombreuses infidélités d'[Odette](#), [Swann](#), recouvre enfin sa liberté, s'étonnant d'avoir été amoureux d'une femme qu'il n'a jamais vraiment aimée.

Book of life – How do you read it ?



First annotation on the human genome



- **80.4%** participates in at least one biochemical RNA- and/or chromatin-associated event in at least one cell type
- promoter functionality can explain most of the variation in RNA expression
- SNPs associated with disease by GWAS are enriched within non-coding functional elements

ARTICLE

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An integrated encyclopedia of DNA elements in the human genome

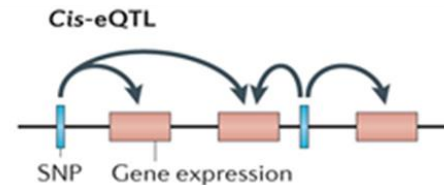
The ENCODE Project Consortium*

The human genome encodes the blueprint of life, but the function of the vast majority of its nearly three billion bases is unknown. The Encyclopedia of DNA Elements (ENCODE) project has systematically mapped regions of transcription, transcription factor association, chromatin structure and histone modification. These data enabled us to assign biochemical functions for 80% of the genome, in particular outside of the well-studied protein-coding regions. Many discovered candidate regulatory elements are physically associated with one another and with expressed genes, providing new insights into the mechanisms of gene regulation. The newly identified elements also show a statistical correspondence to sequence variants linked to human disease, and can thereby guide interpretation of this variation. Overall, the project provides new insights into the organization and regulation of our genes and genome, and is an expansive resource of functional annotations for biomedical research.

The human genome sequence provides the underlying code for human biology. Despite intensive study, especially in identifying protein-coding genes, our understanding of the genome is far from complete, particularly with



95% of the genome lies within 8 kilobases (kb) of a DNA-protein interaction (as assayed by bound ChIP-seq motifs or DNase I footprints), and 99% is within 1.7 kb of at least one of the biochemical events measured by ENCODE.



>\$250 million

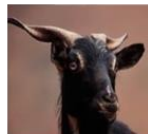
Then annotation on livestock's genomes



2012
ENCODE



2012
Pig genome sequenced



2013
Goat genome sequenced



2013
Duck genome sequenced



2014
Sheep genome sequenced



2014
Functional Annotation of Animal Genomes (FAANG) launched



2014-17
FR-AgENCODE pilot project

2016
EC Workshop on animal genomics and breeding for sustainable production



2016
FAANG-Europe COST Action

2012
Chicken 600K SNP chip

2012
AgENCODE (later FAANG) Conceived
EU-US ABWG, ISAG

2013 onwards
Genotype-by-sequence

2014
Salmon SNP chip

2015
Pig 650K SNP chip



Fish genomes: Tilapia, Cod, Salmon,.....

2015 onwards
LCseq for genomic selection
SNPs impute to sequence

Then annotation on livestock's genomes

2016
EC Workshop on animal genomics and breeding for sustainable production



2016-2020
FAANG-Europe
COST Action

2017
EC Horizon 2020
Work Programme 2018-2020
SFS-30-2018-2019-2020: Agri-Aqua Labs

2019
H2020 FAANG/AquaFAANG projects start
AQUA-FAANG
BovReg
GENE-SWitCH



~€18 million
9 species

2017
Improved pig genome sequence

2021
Chicken (broiler and layer) genome sequences

2023 onwards
Telomere-to-Telomere (T2T) genome assemblies
Pangenomes

Why studying the functional genome?

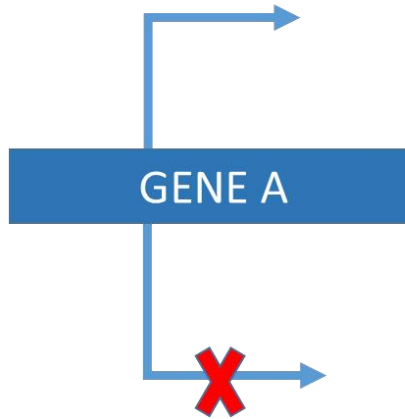
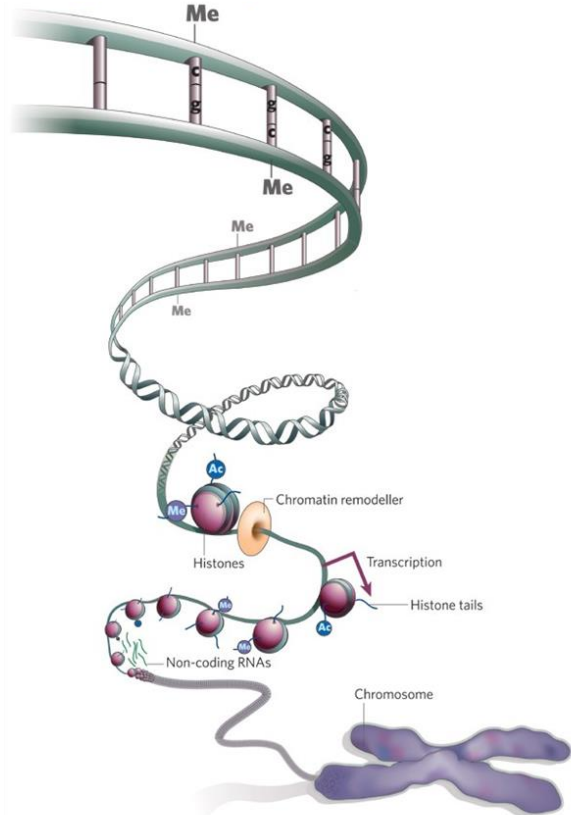
Regulatory elements



Gene expression

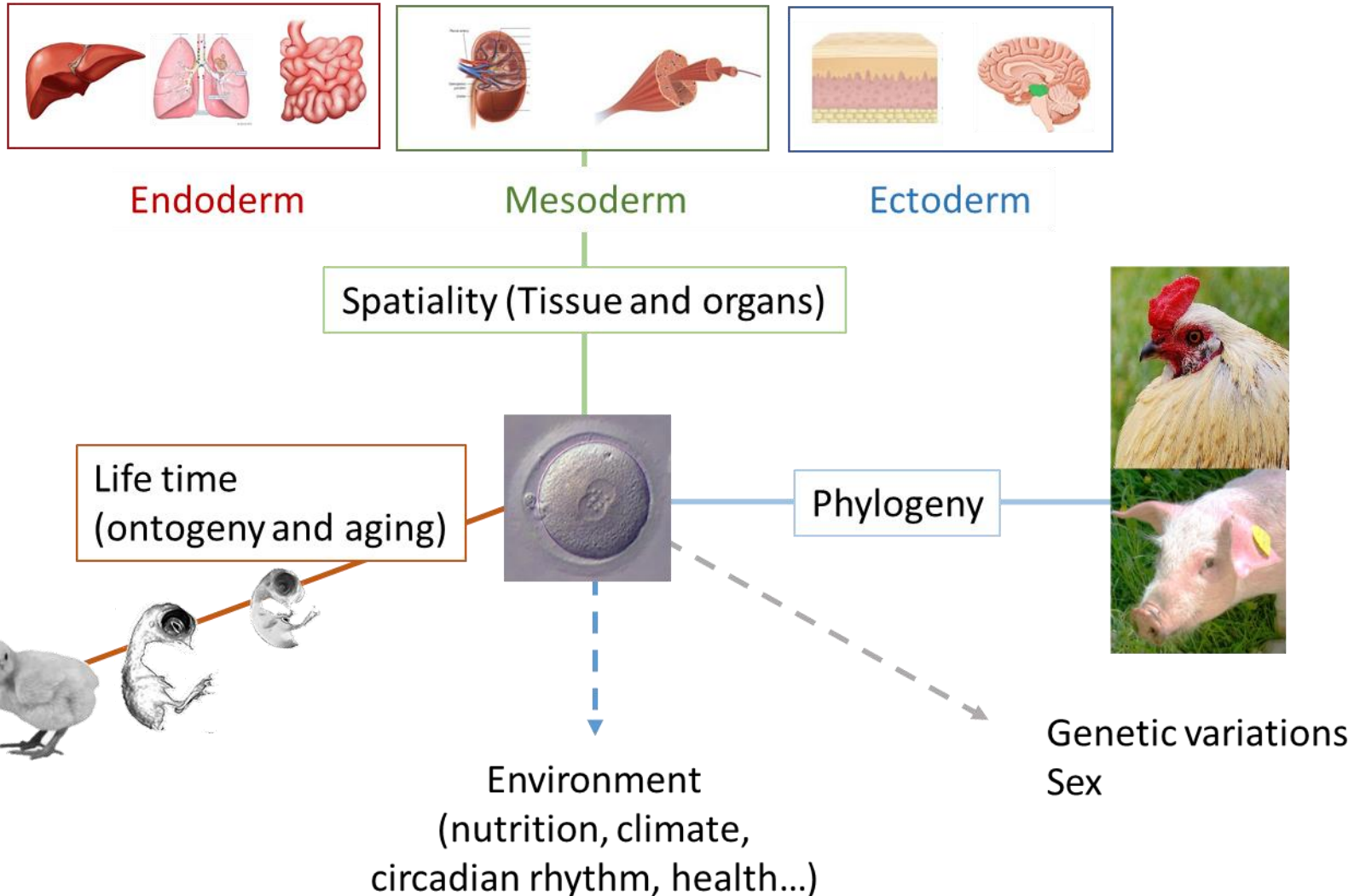


Traits of interest



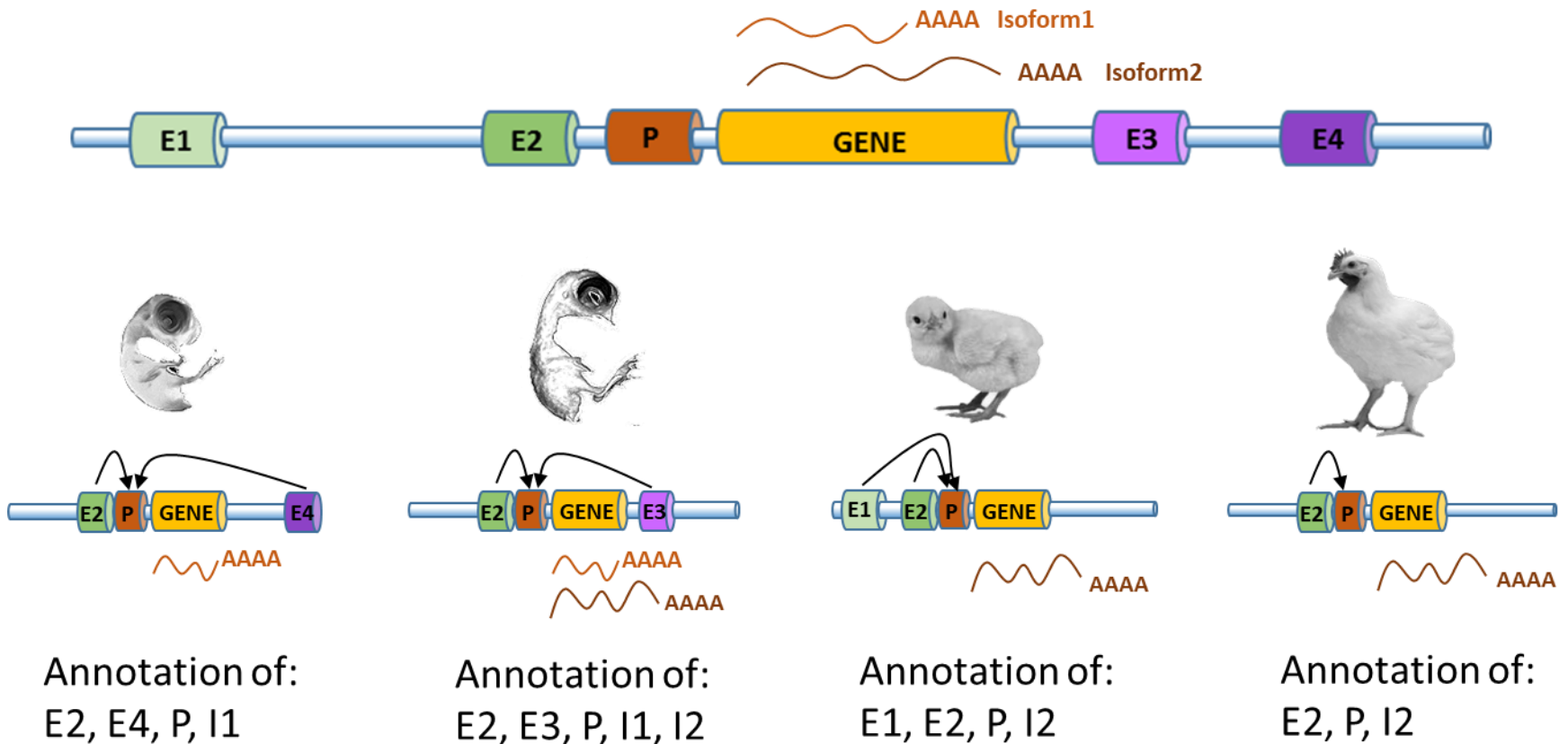
Why studying the functional genome?

Functional Annotation: a multi-dimensional approach



Why studying the functional genome?

Functional Annotation: how are all these dimensions integrated to regulate genome function ?

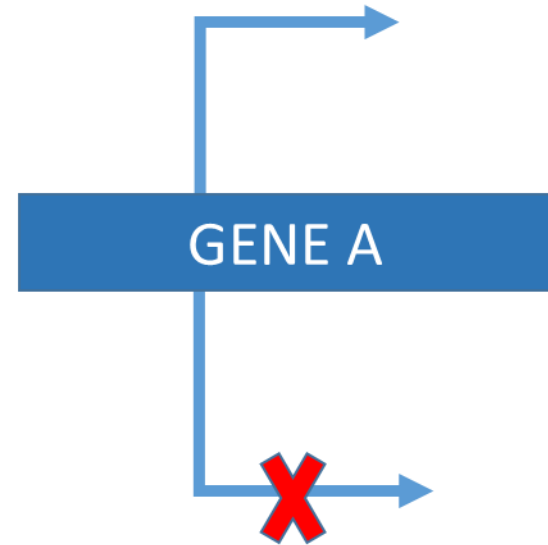
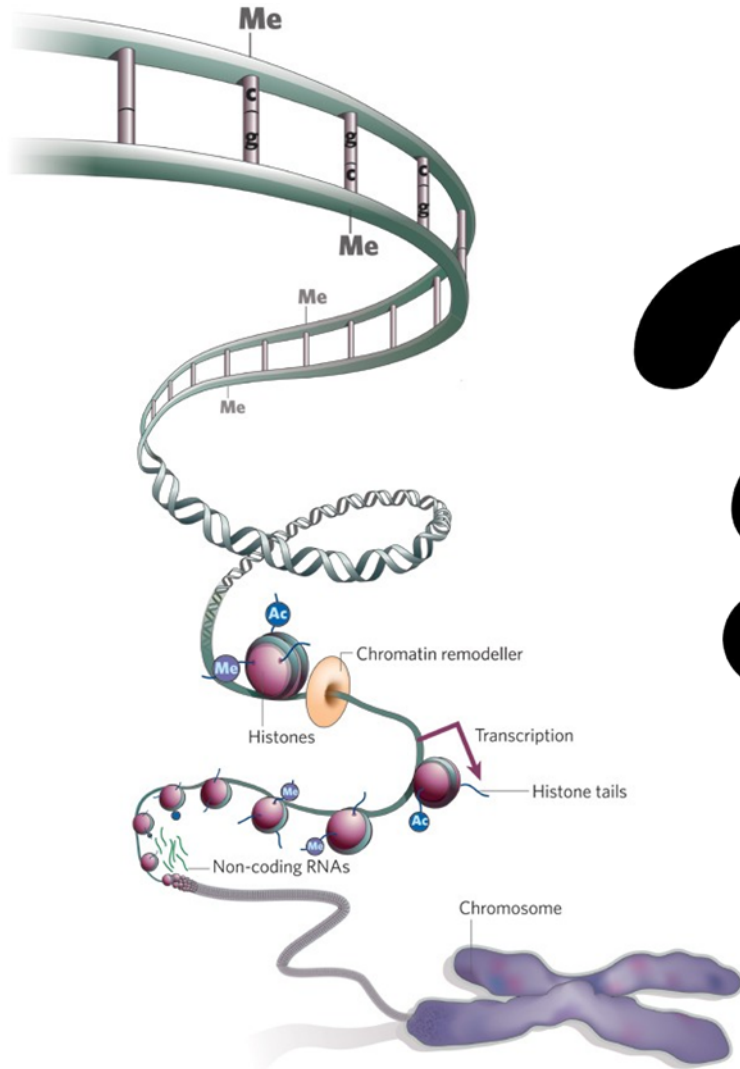


How studying the functional genome?

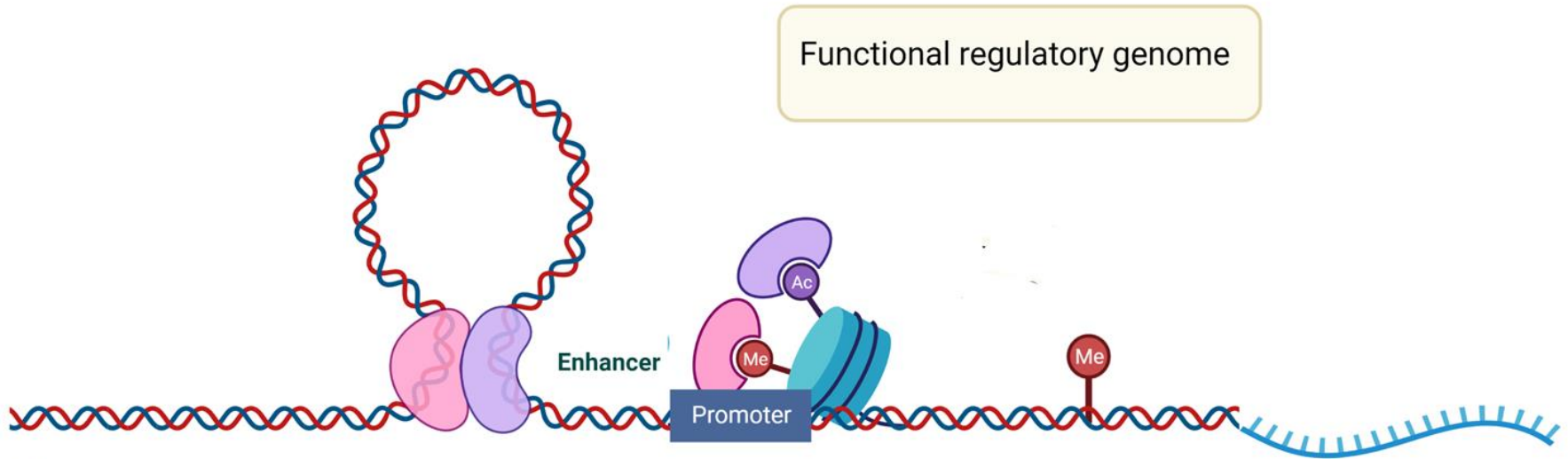
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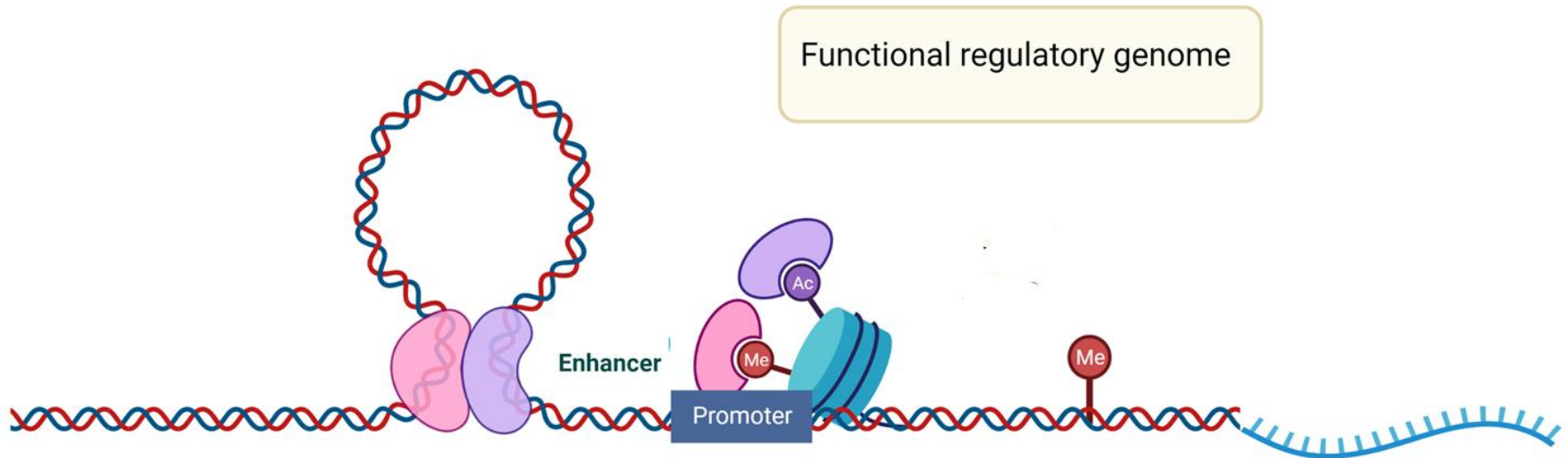


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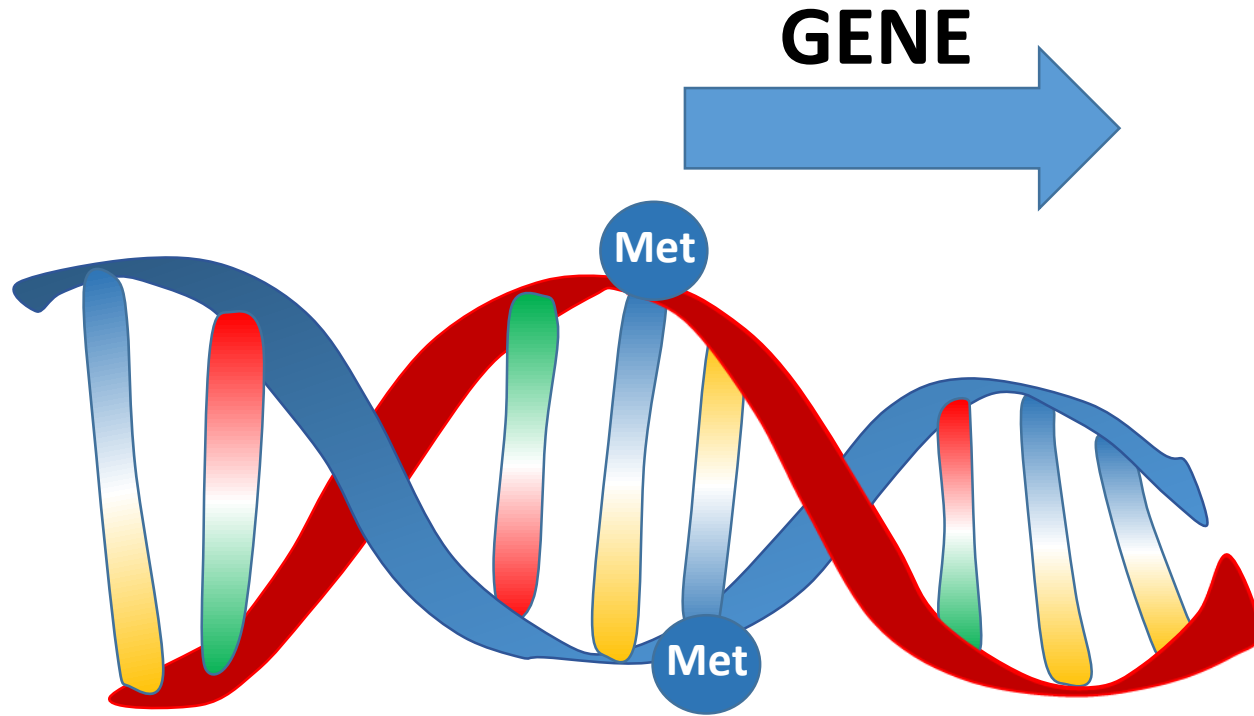


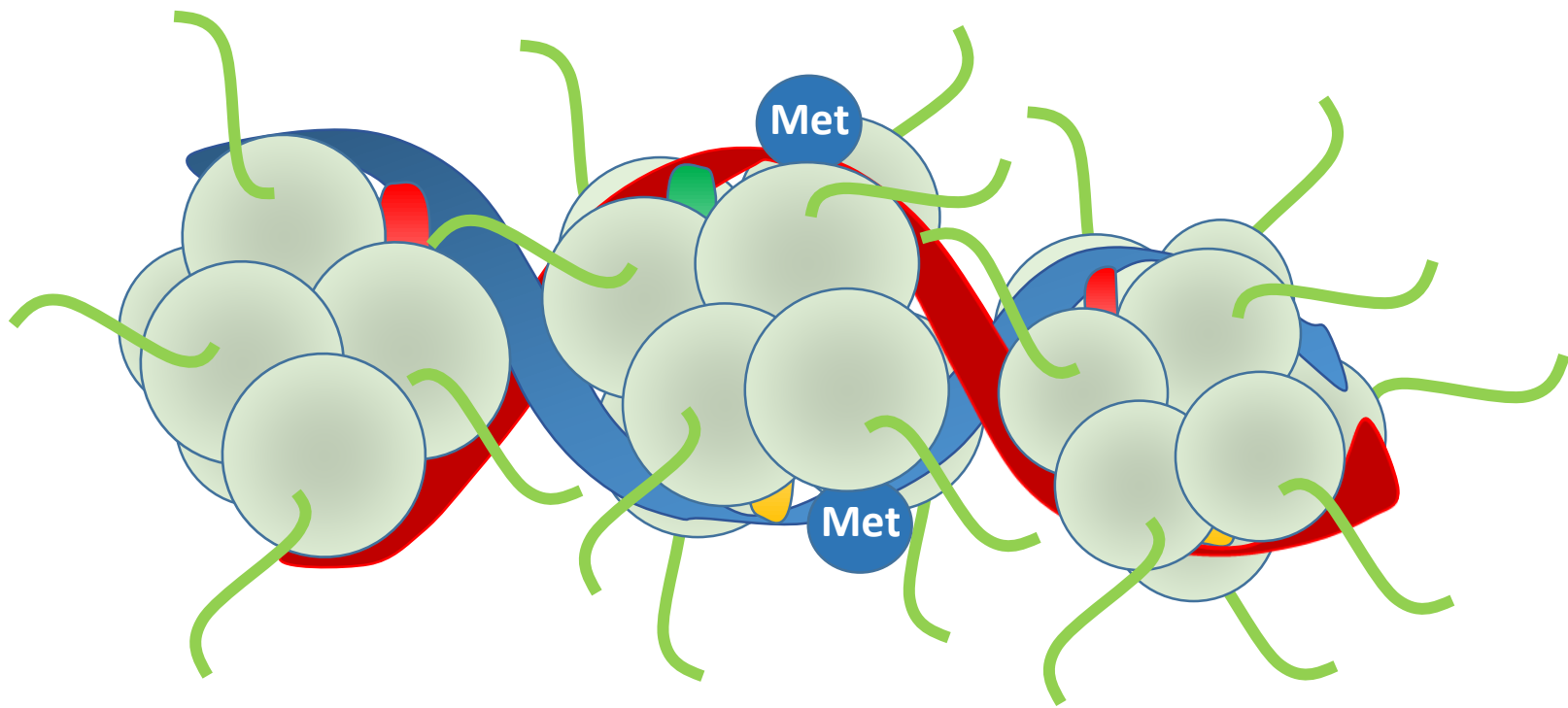
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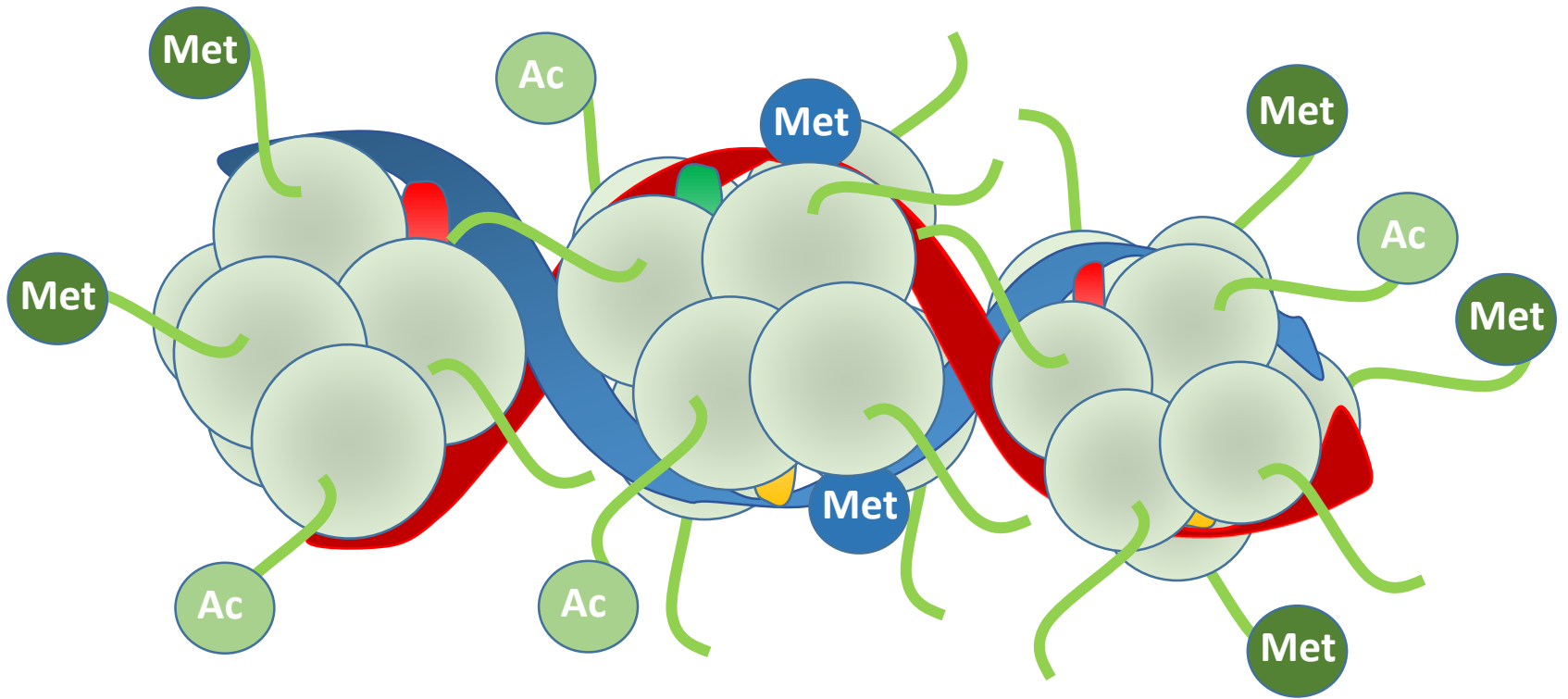
- Gene expression
- Epigenetic information

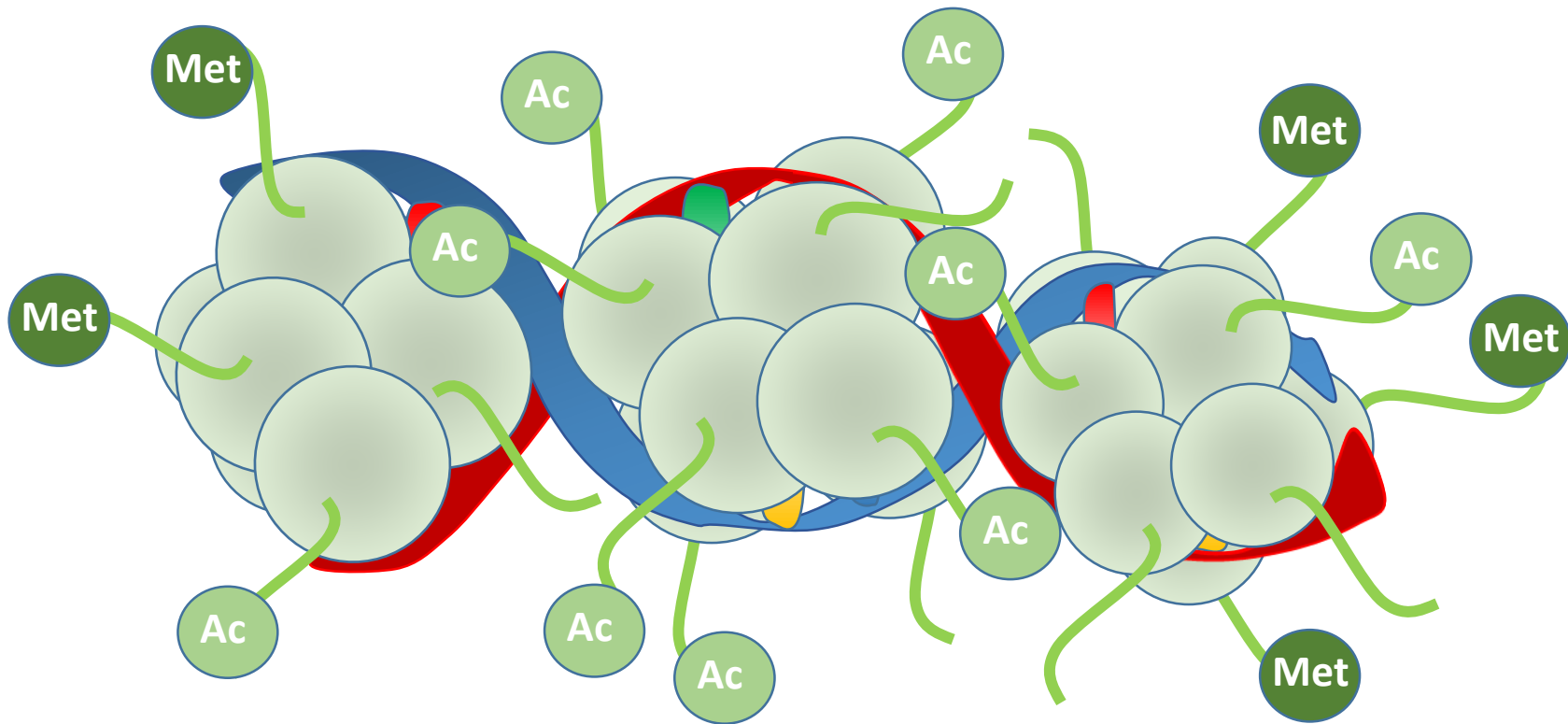


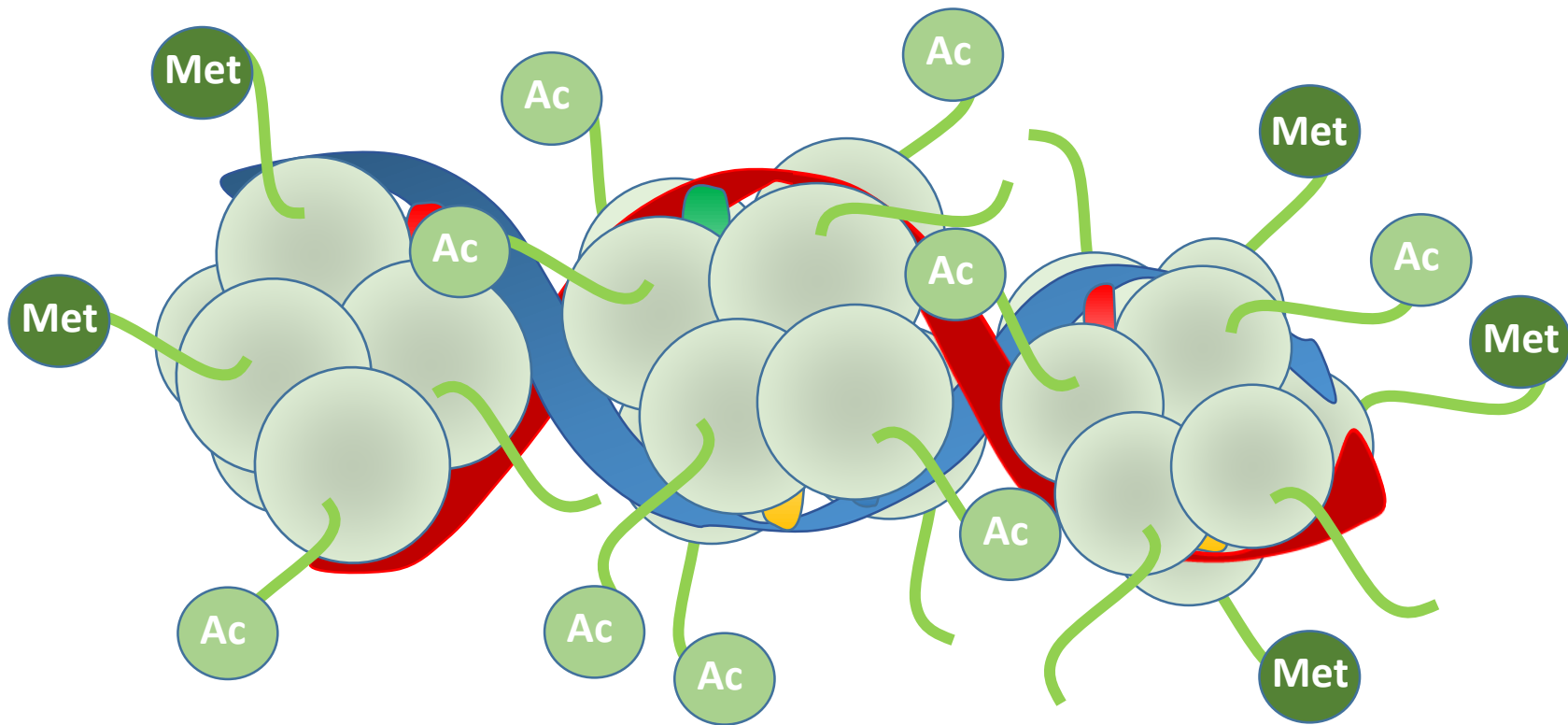
What is epigenetics?

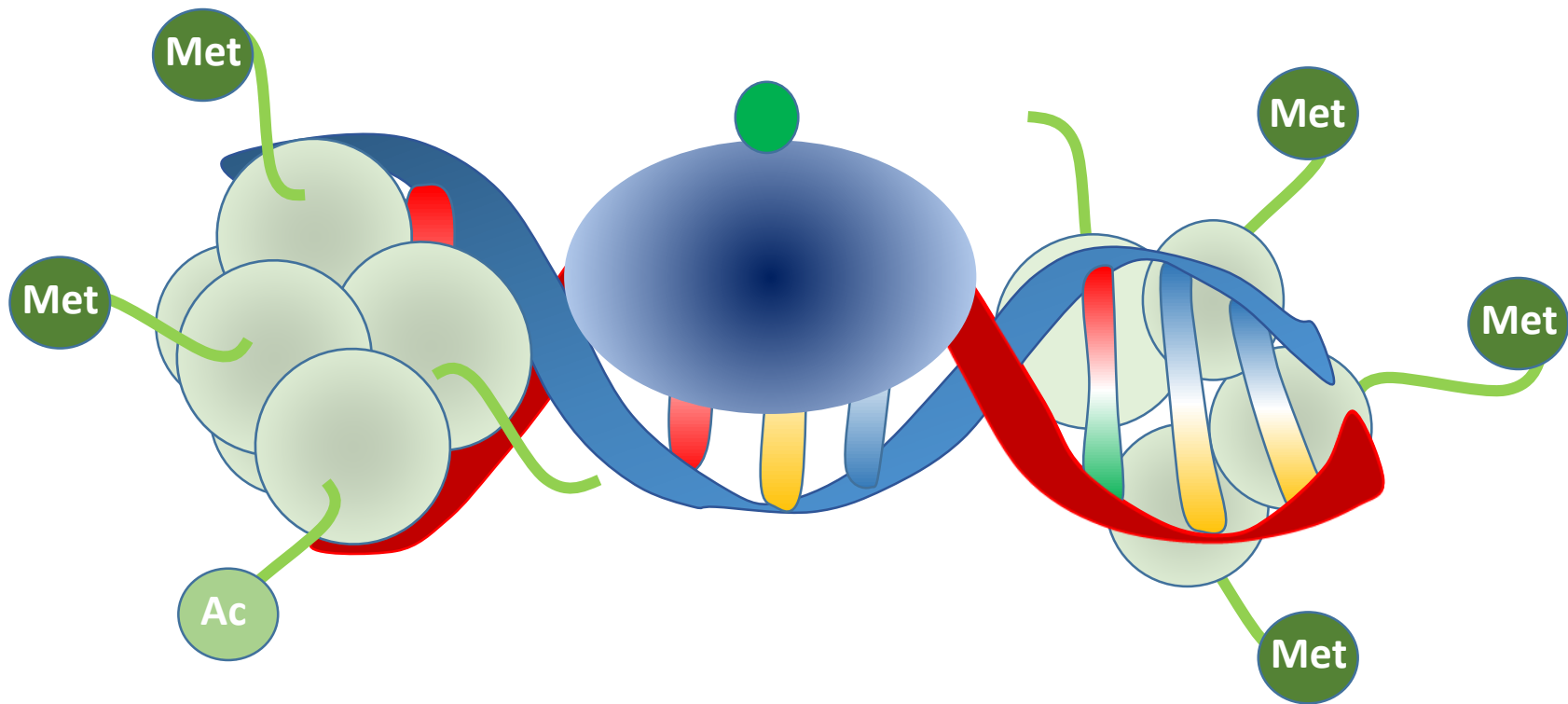


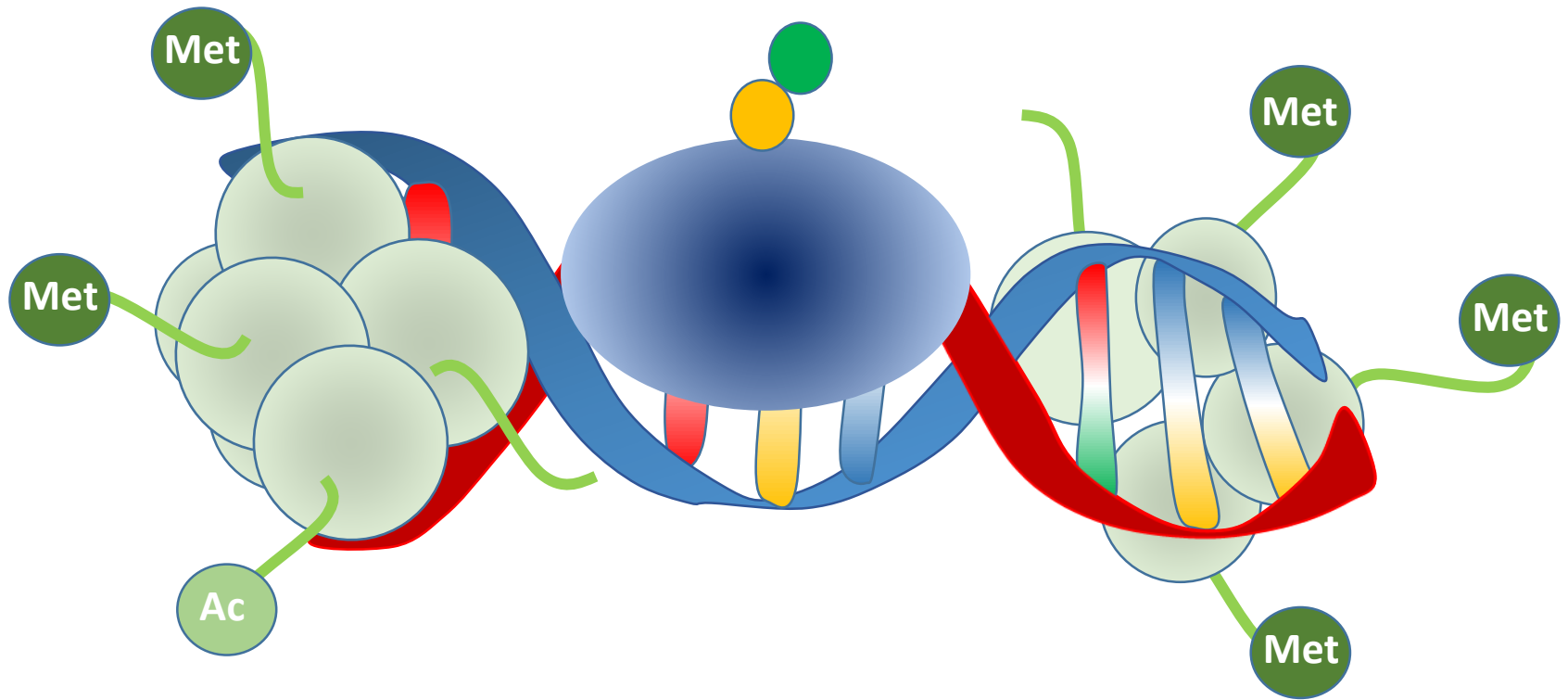


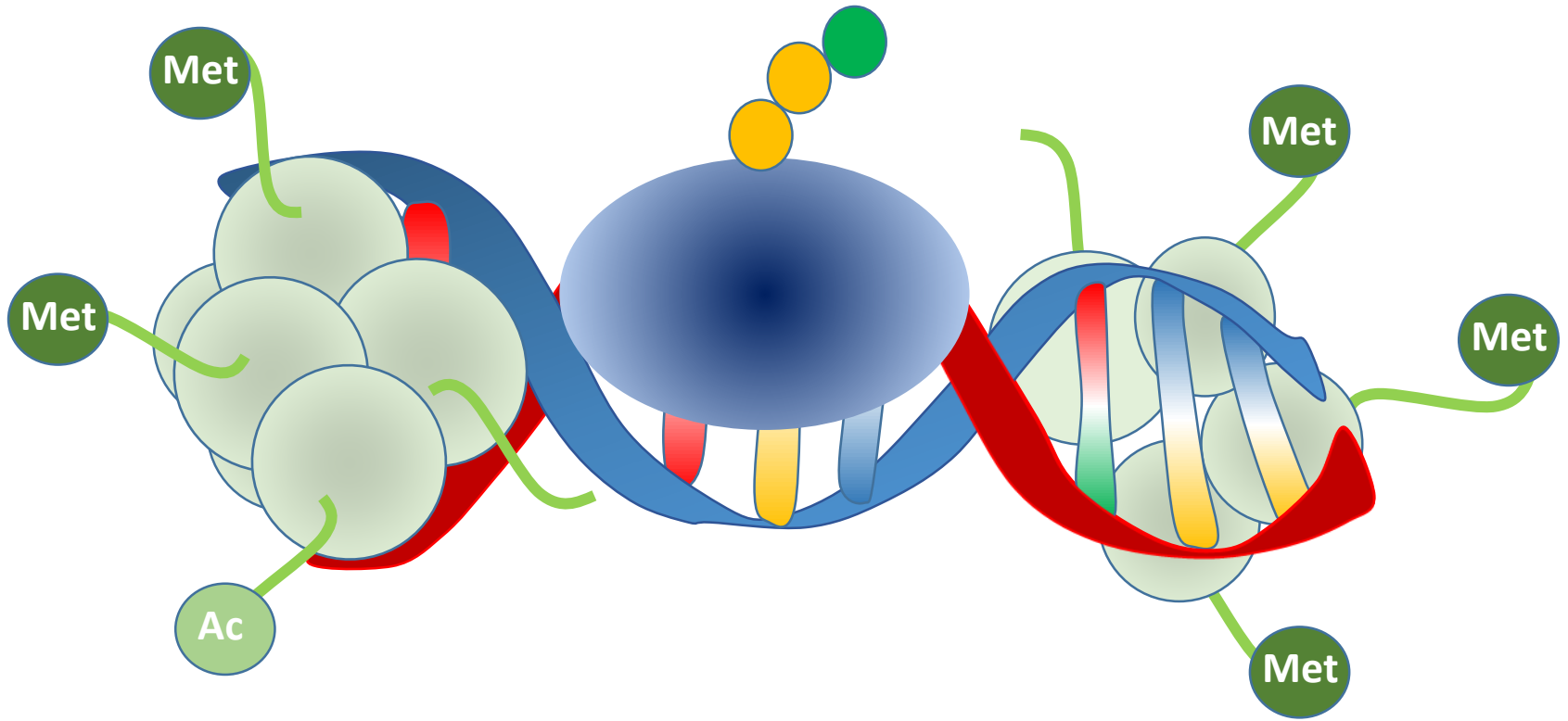


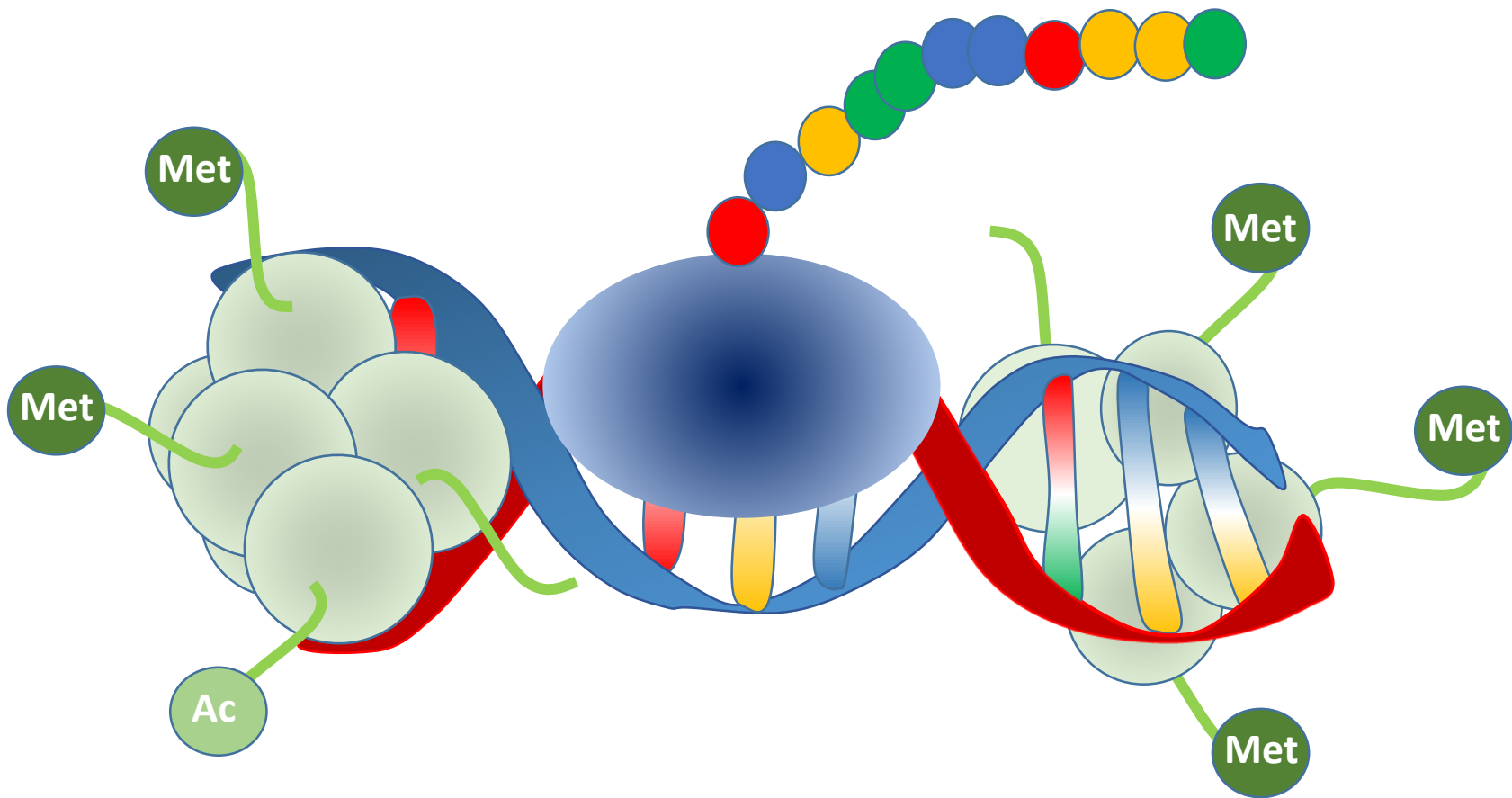


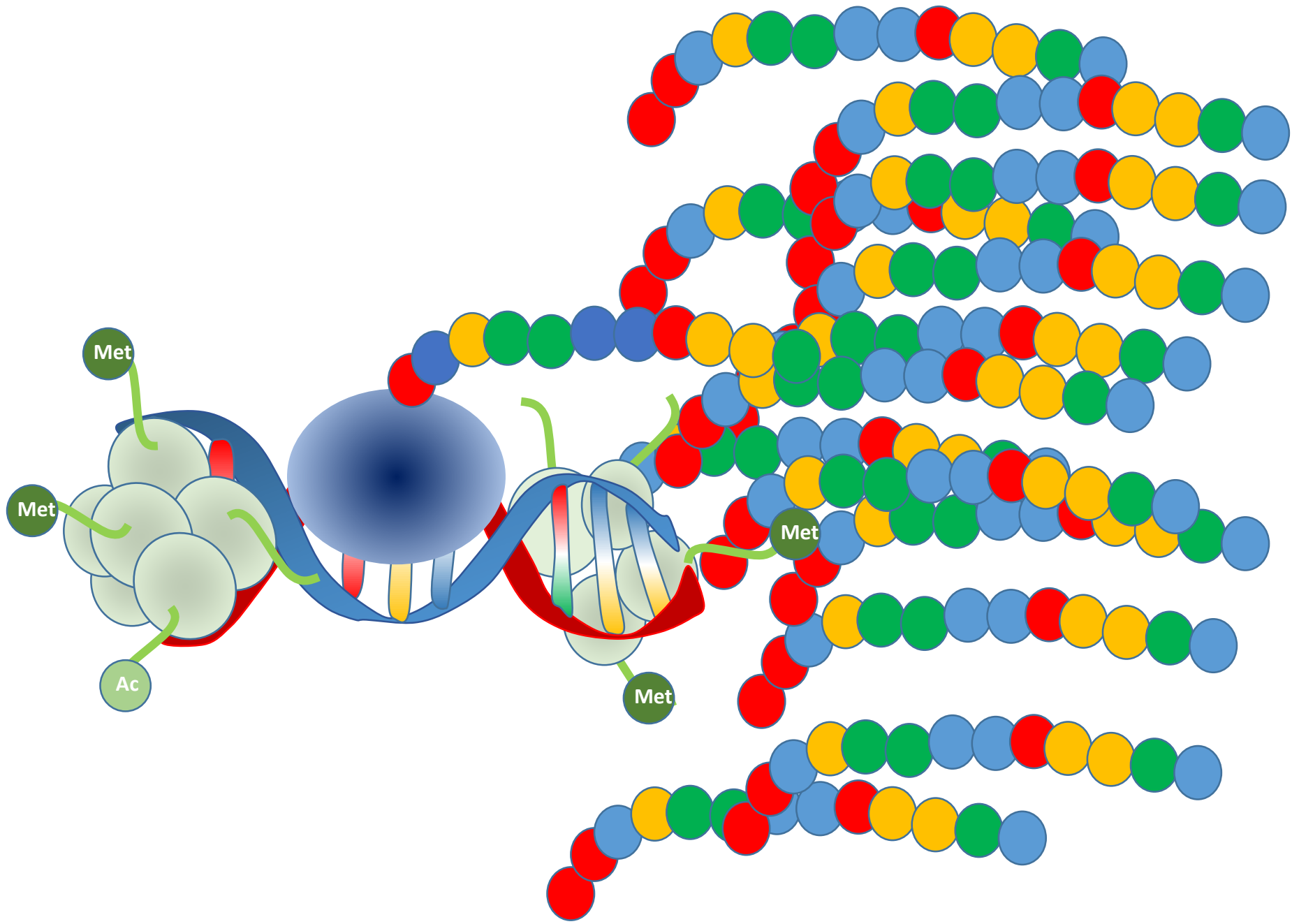




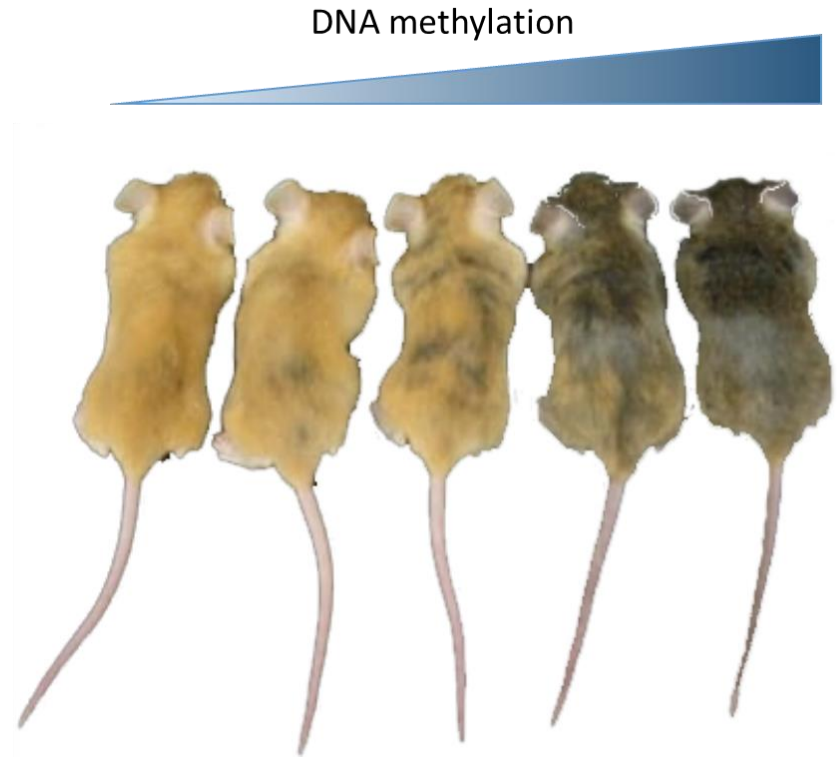
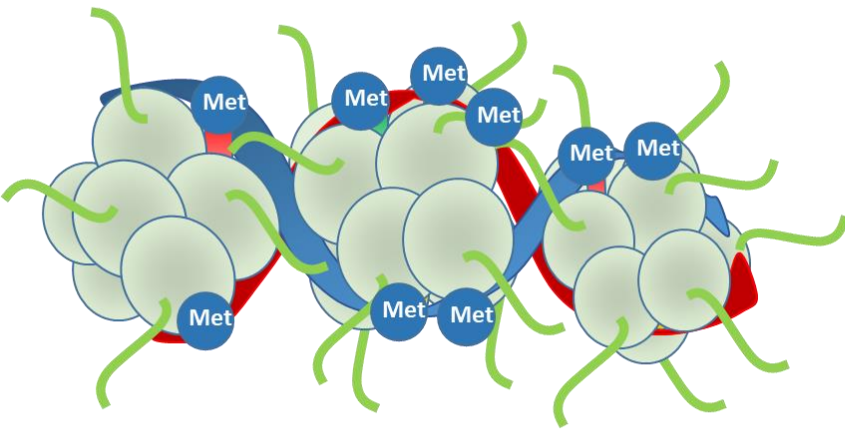






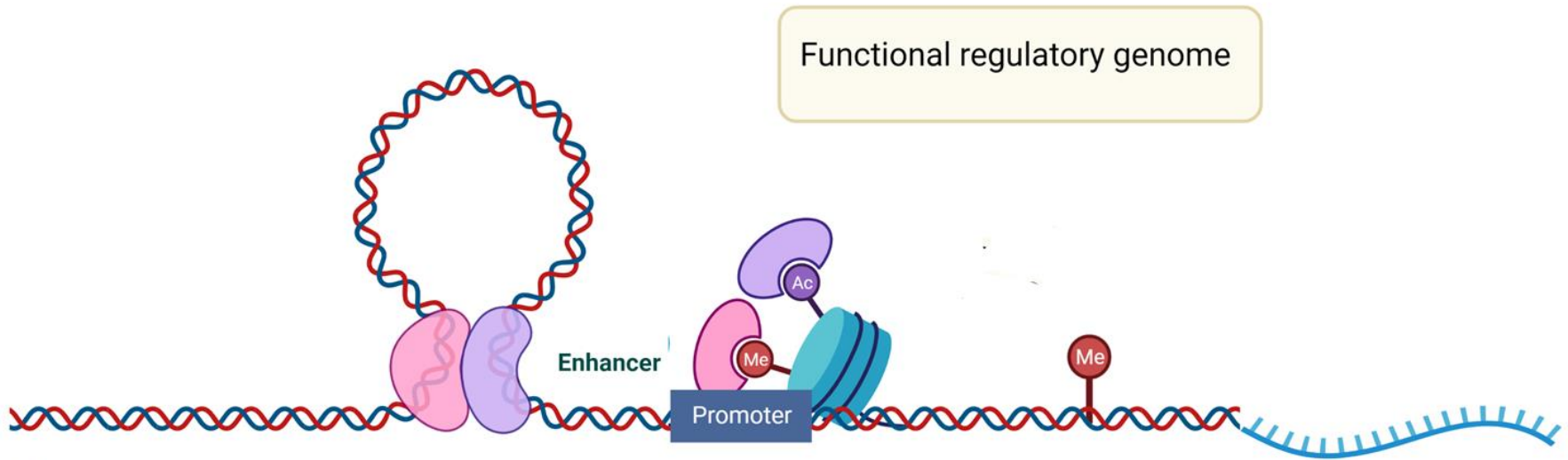


Epigenetics modulates gene activity and phenotypes



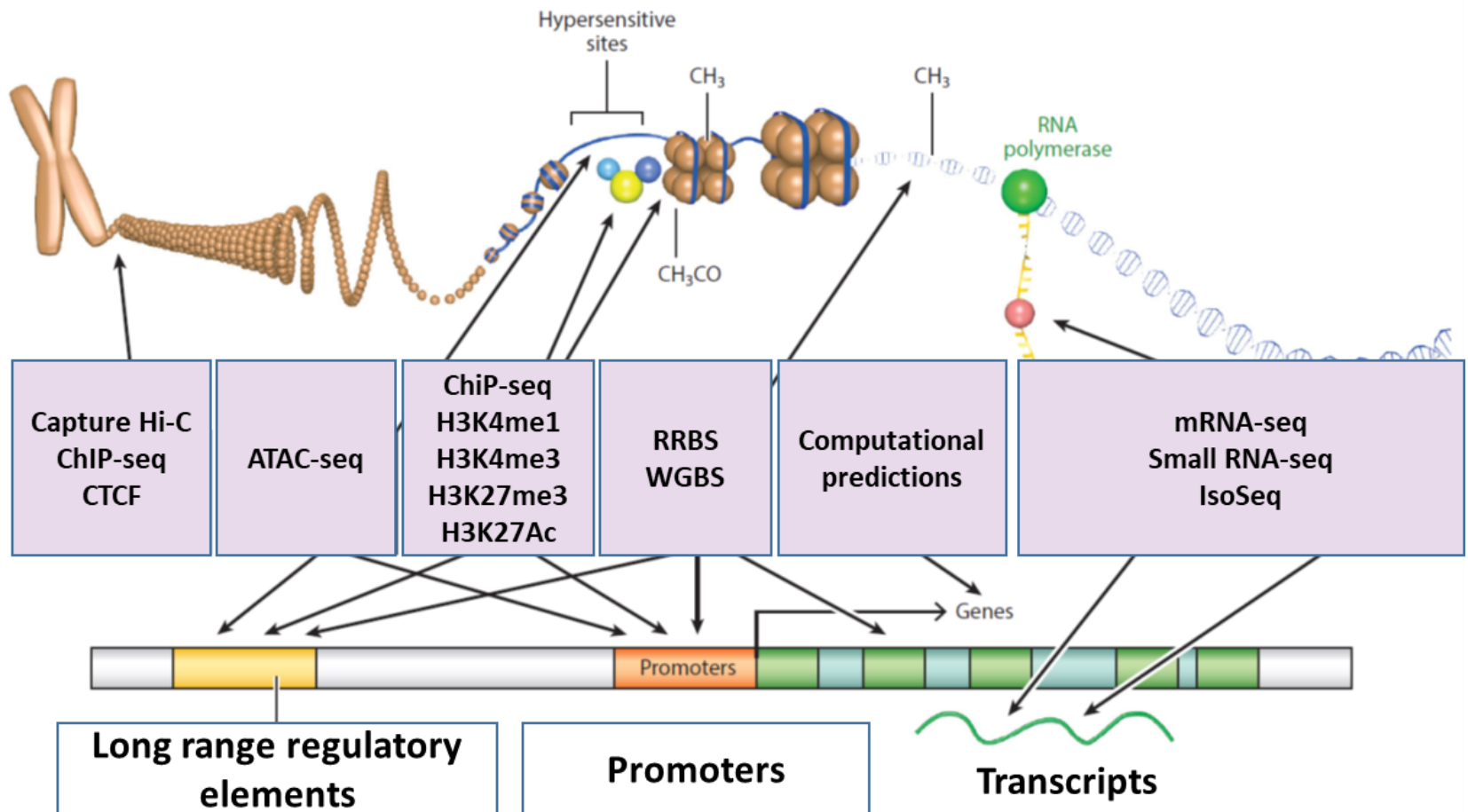
Epigenetic regulation of the *agouti* gene modulates coat color in mice

How studying the functional genome?

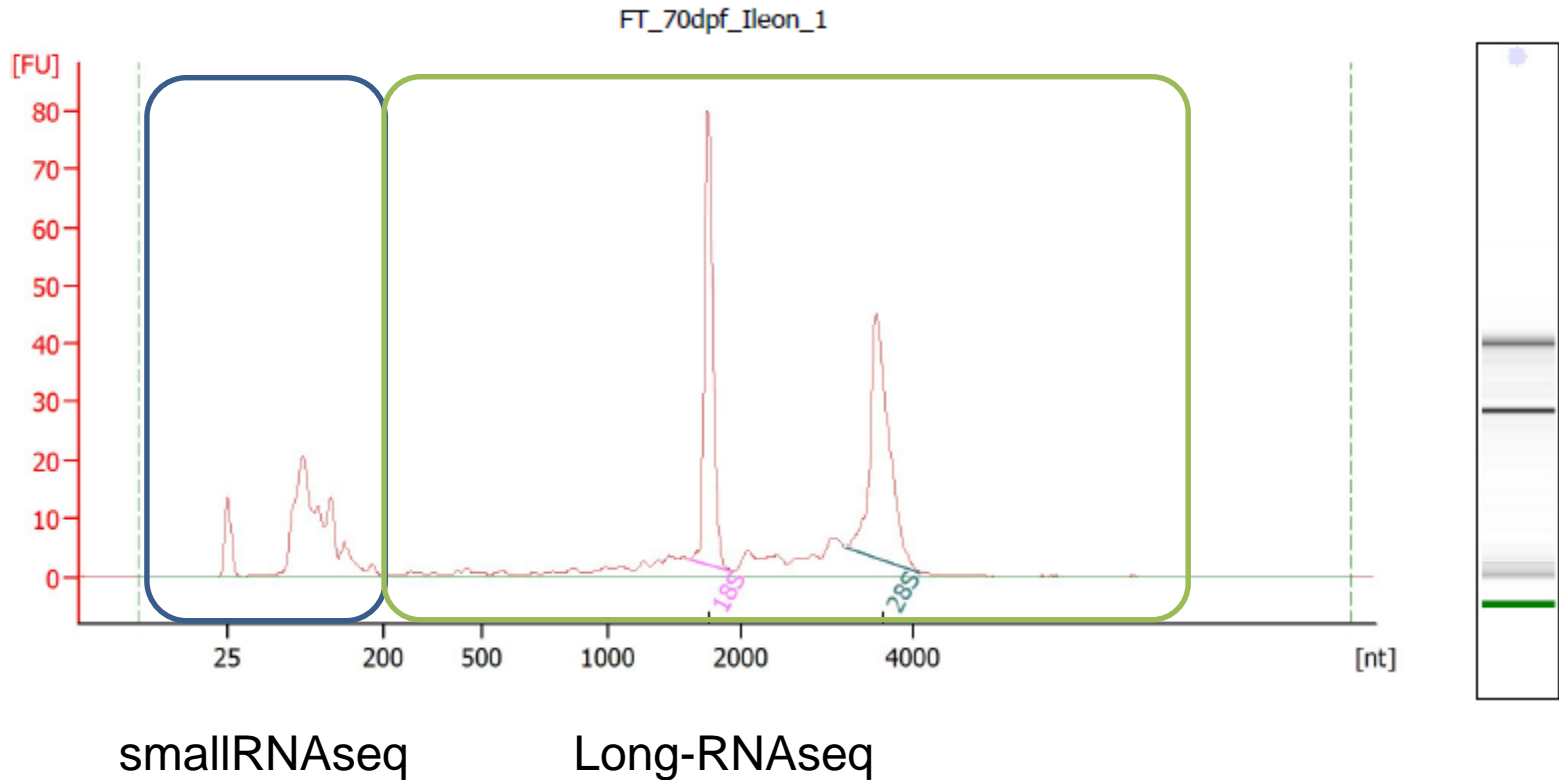


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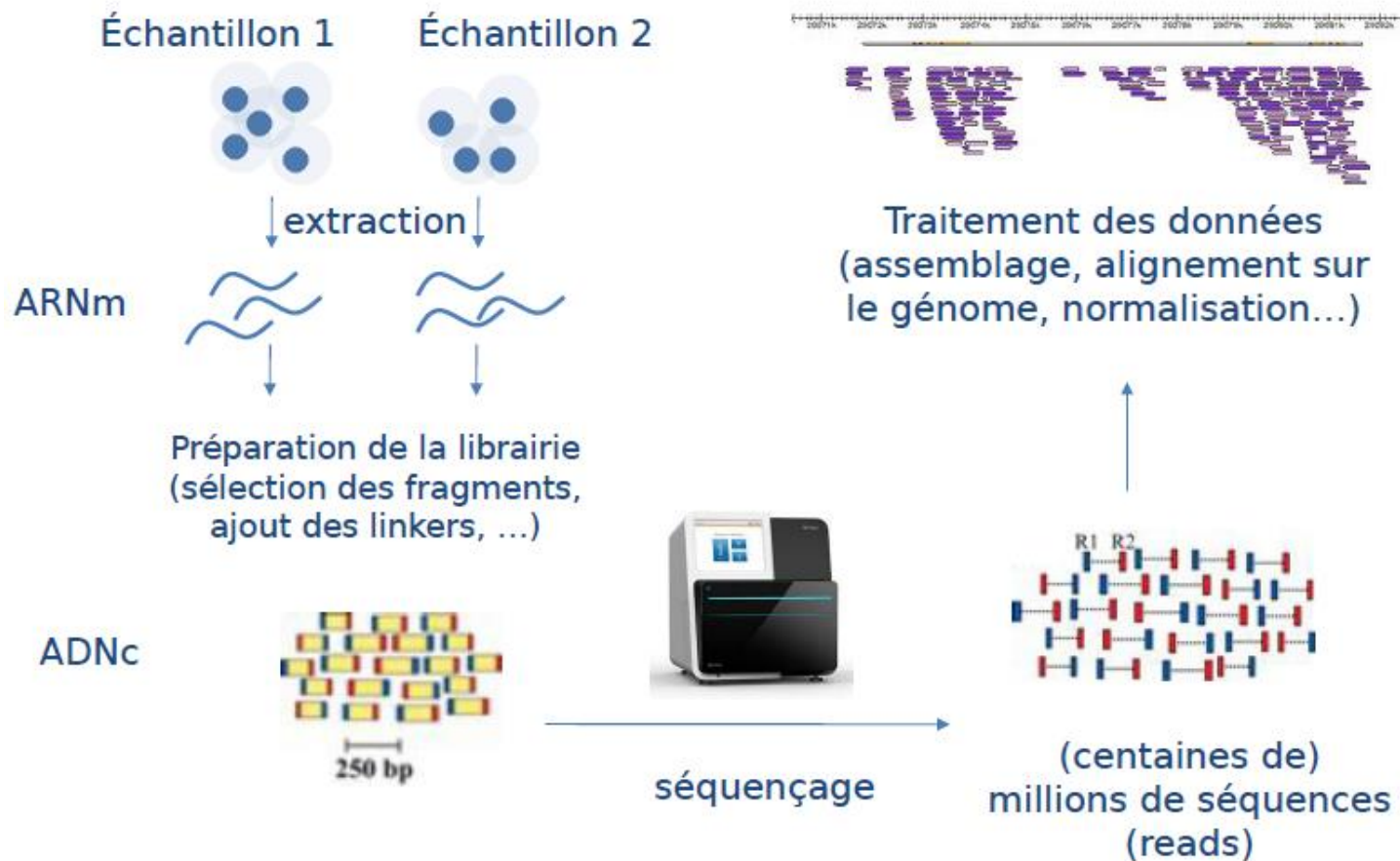
By using a set of complementary molecular assays



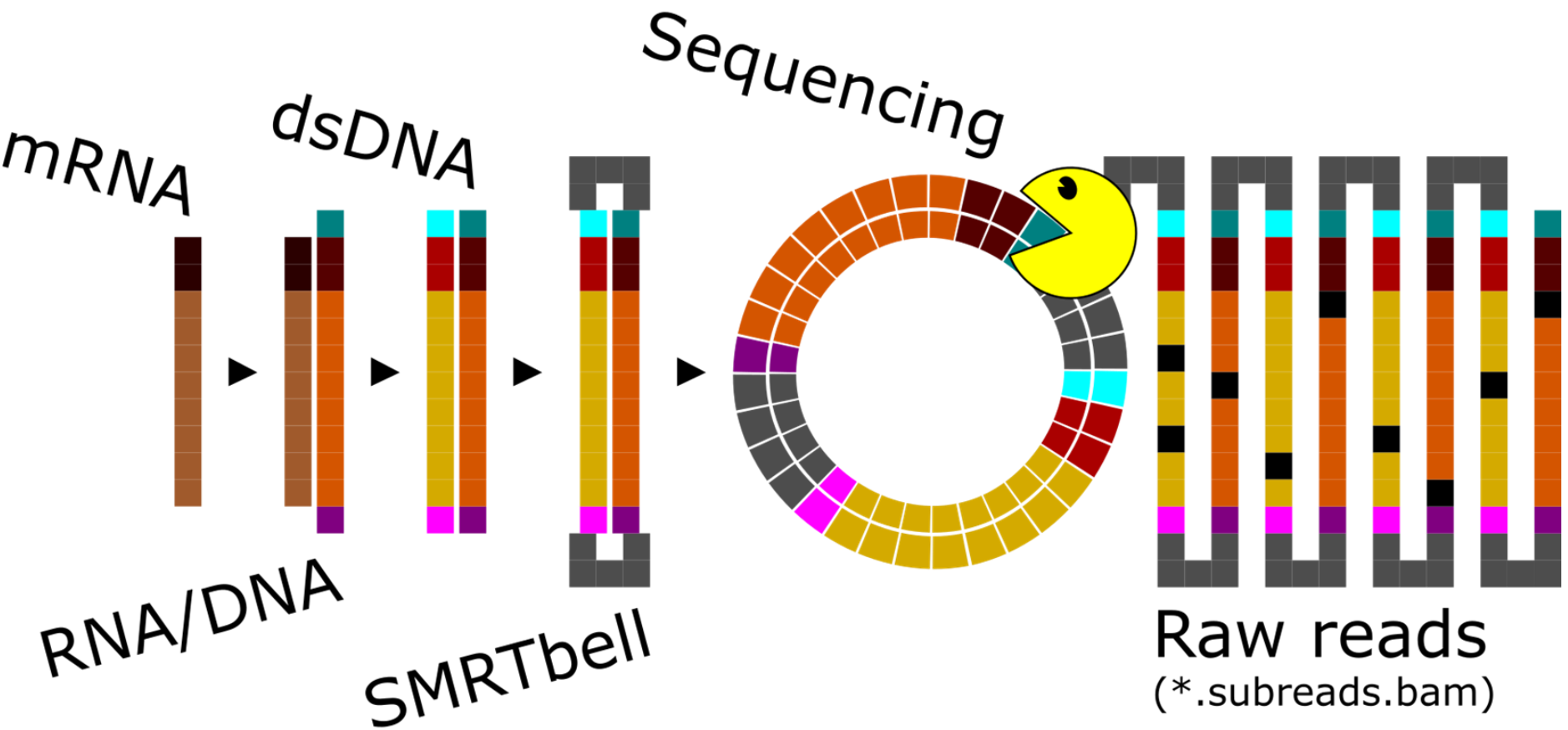
The different assays used for annotation: RNA-seq



The different assays used for annotation: mRNA-seq

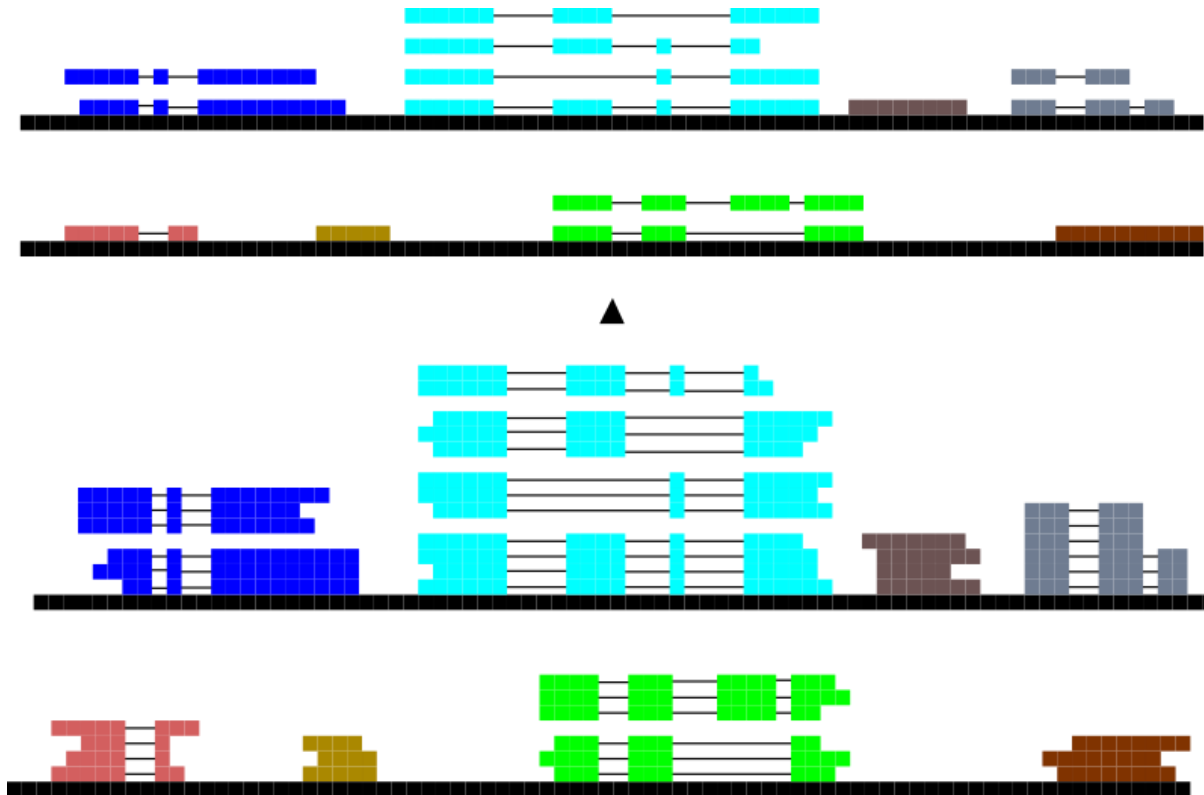


The different assays used for annotation: iso-seq



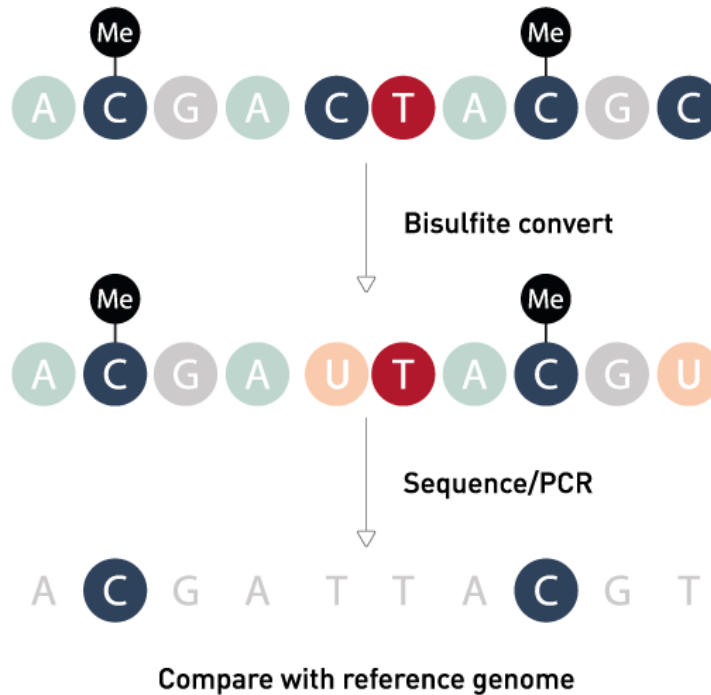
The different assays used for annotation: RNA-seq

Repertoire of transcripts



The different assays used for annotation: RRBS/WGBS

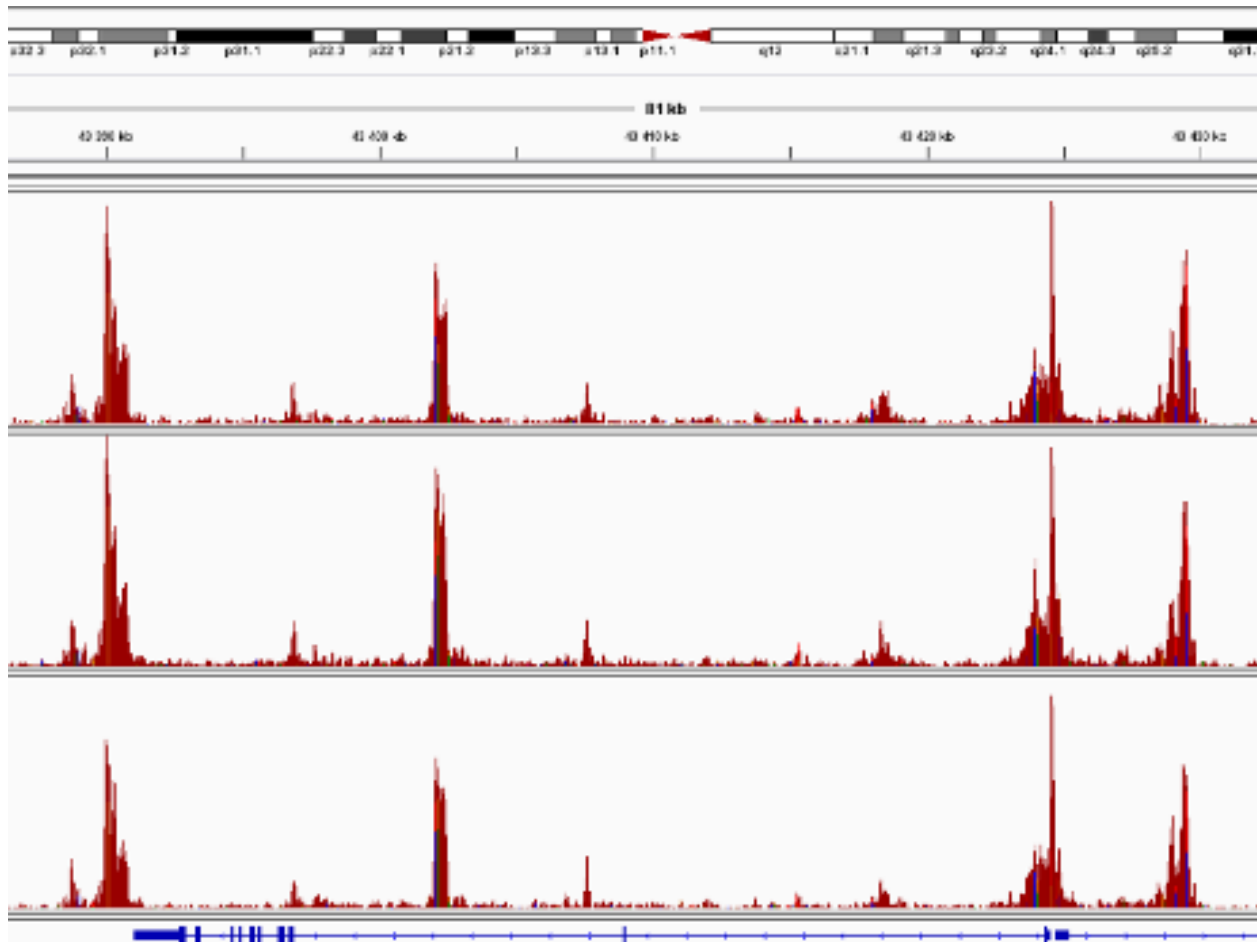
Chemical conversion of unmethylated cytosine by bisulfite treatment



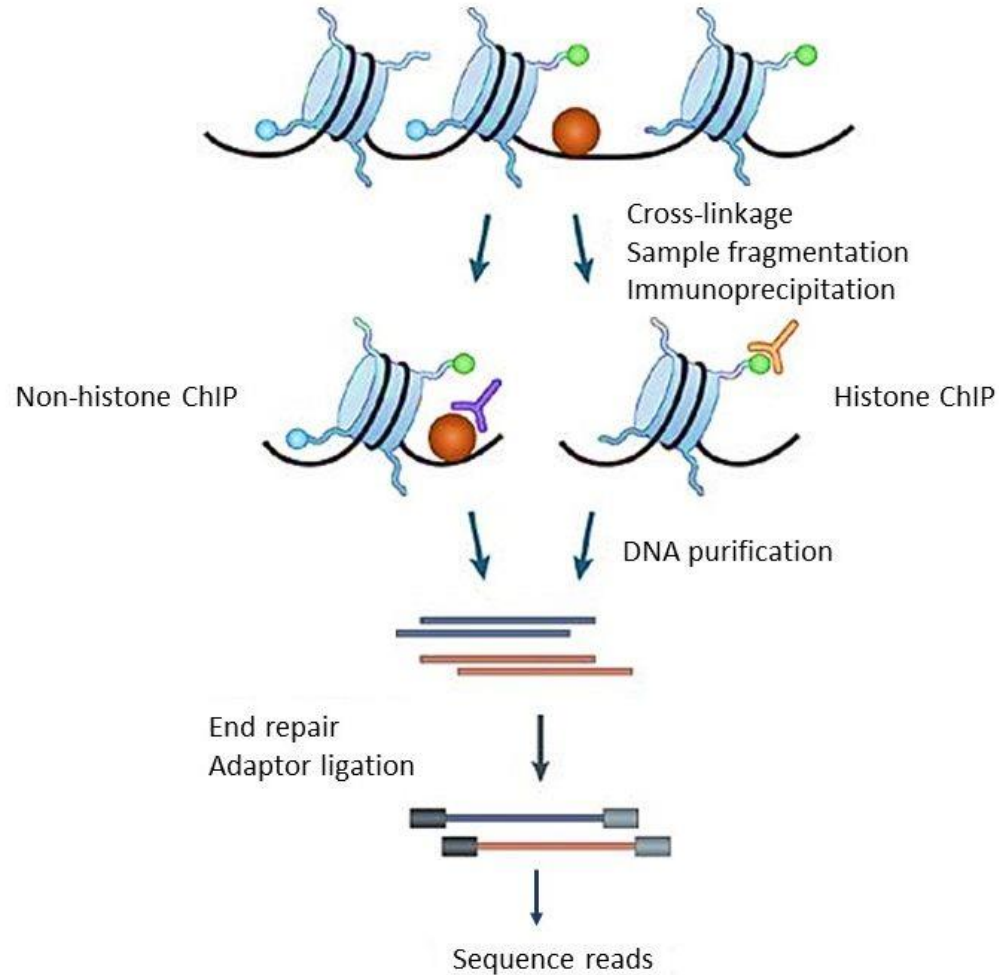
CpG 1: 5%
CpG 2: 10%
...
CpG n: 98%

The different assays used for annotation: ATAC-seq

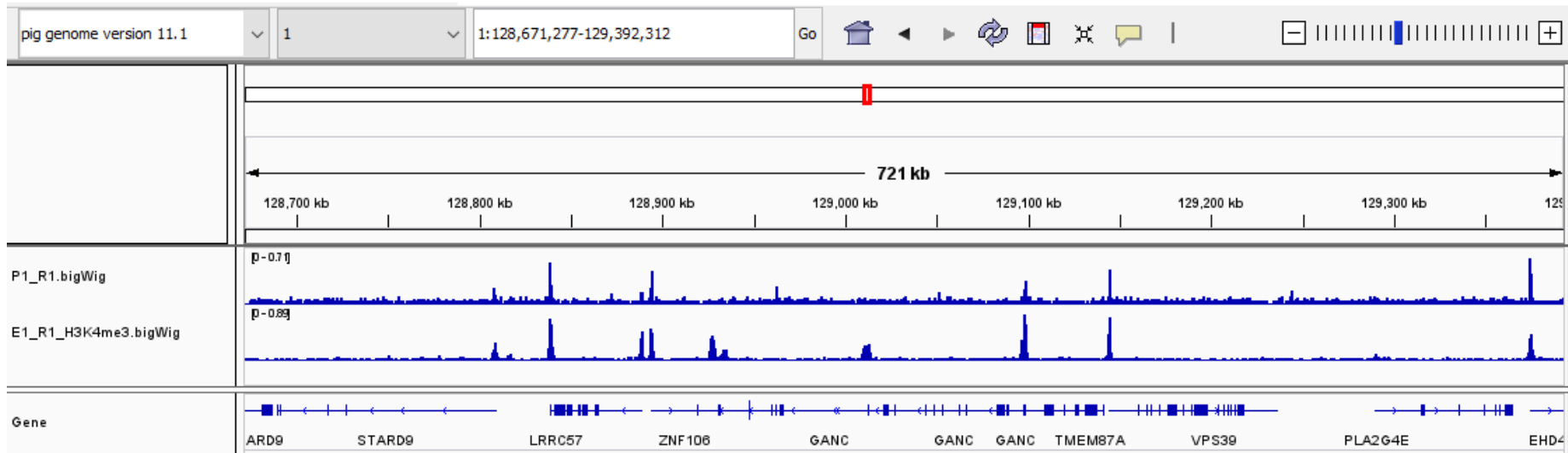
- Measure of chromatin accessibility



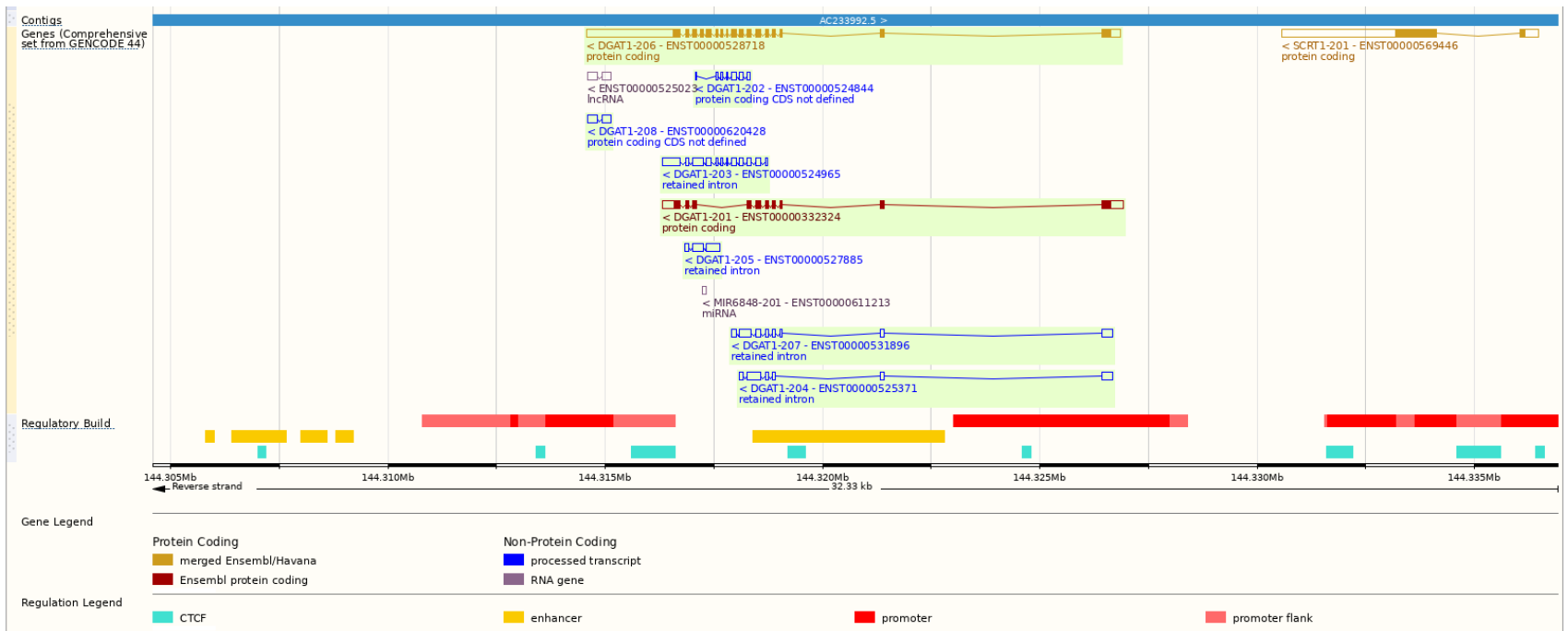
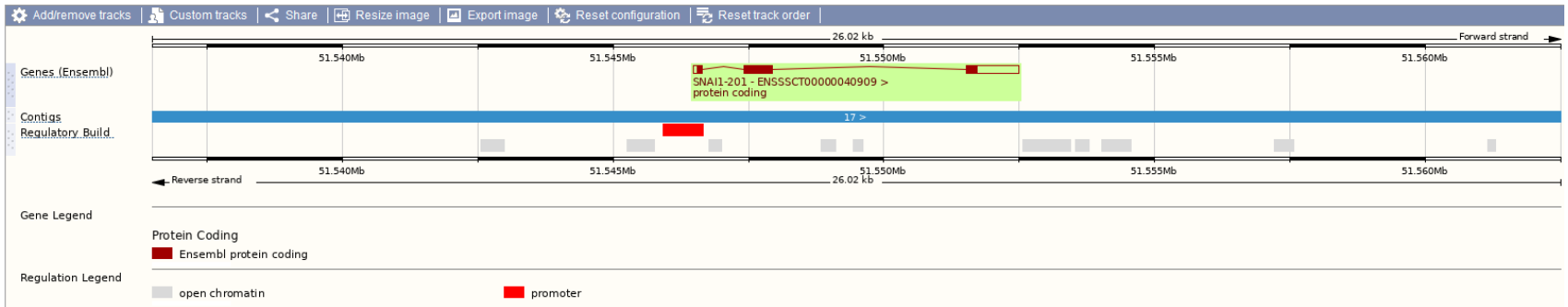
The different assays used for annotation: ChIP-seq



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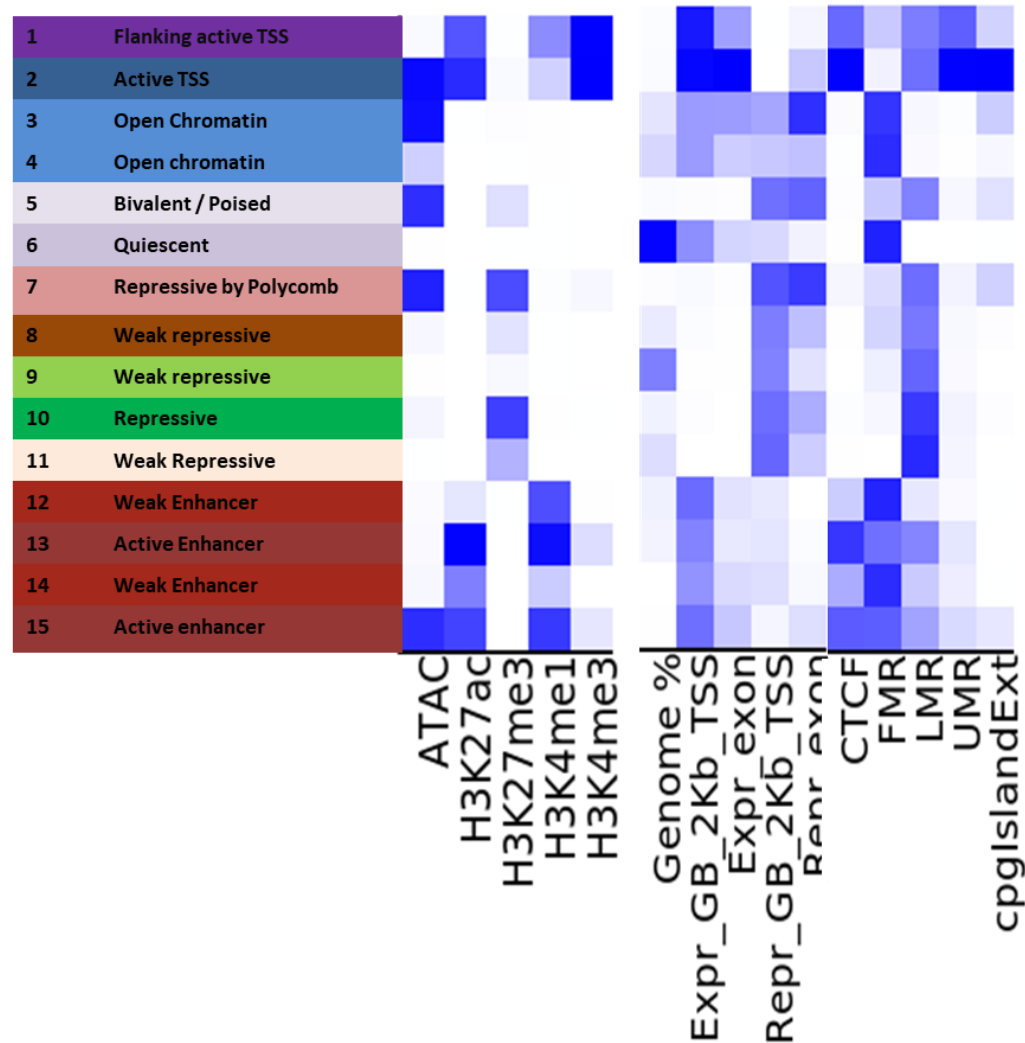


The different assays used for annotation: outputs



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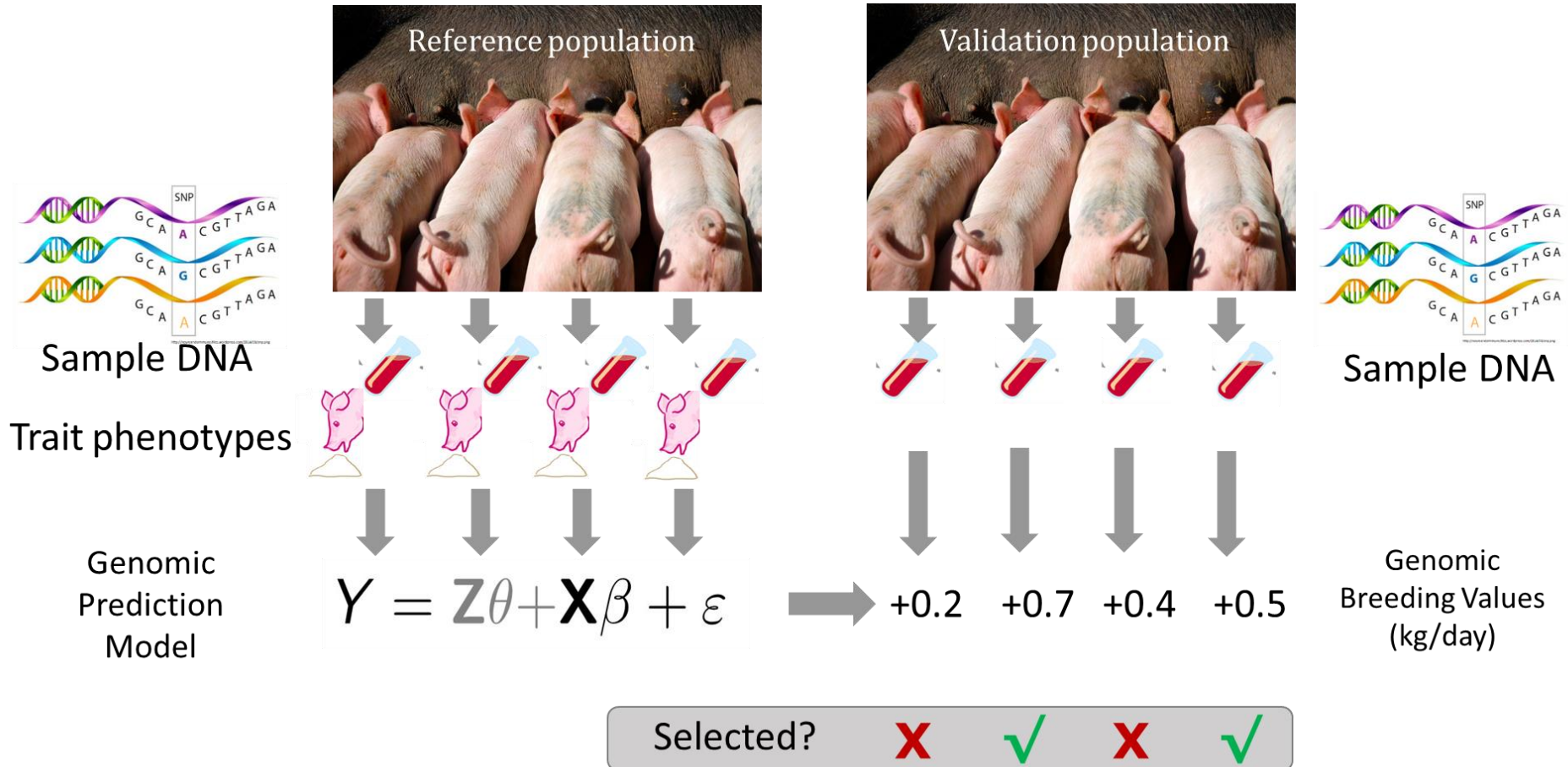
Epigenetic states



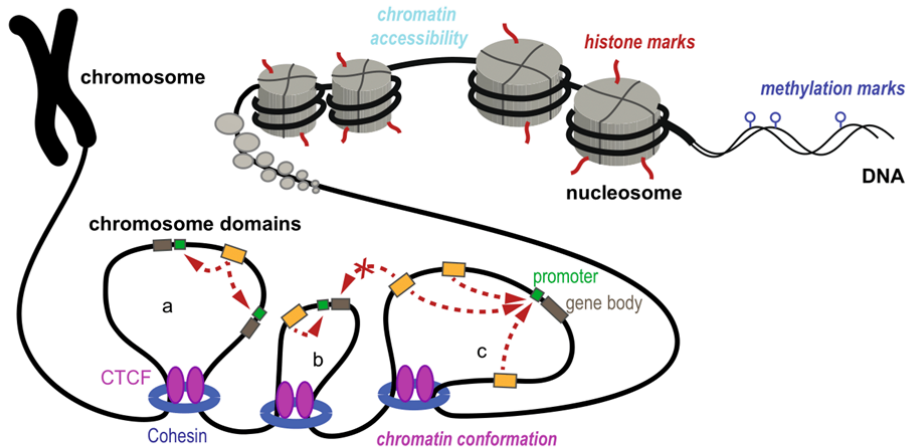
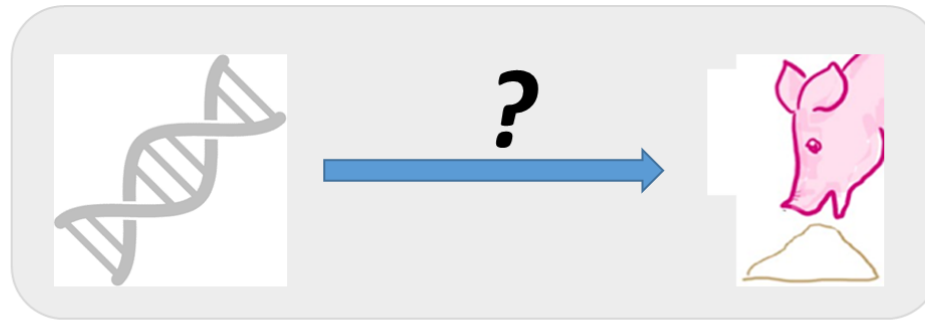
Functional annotations: its use for breeding animals



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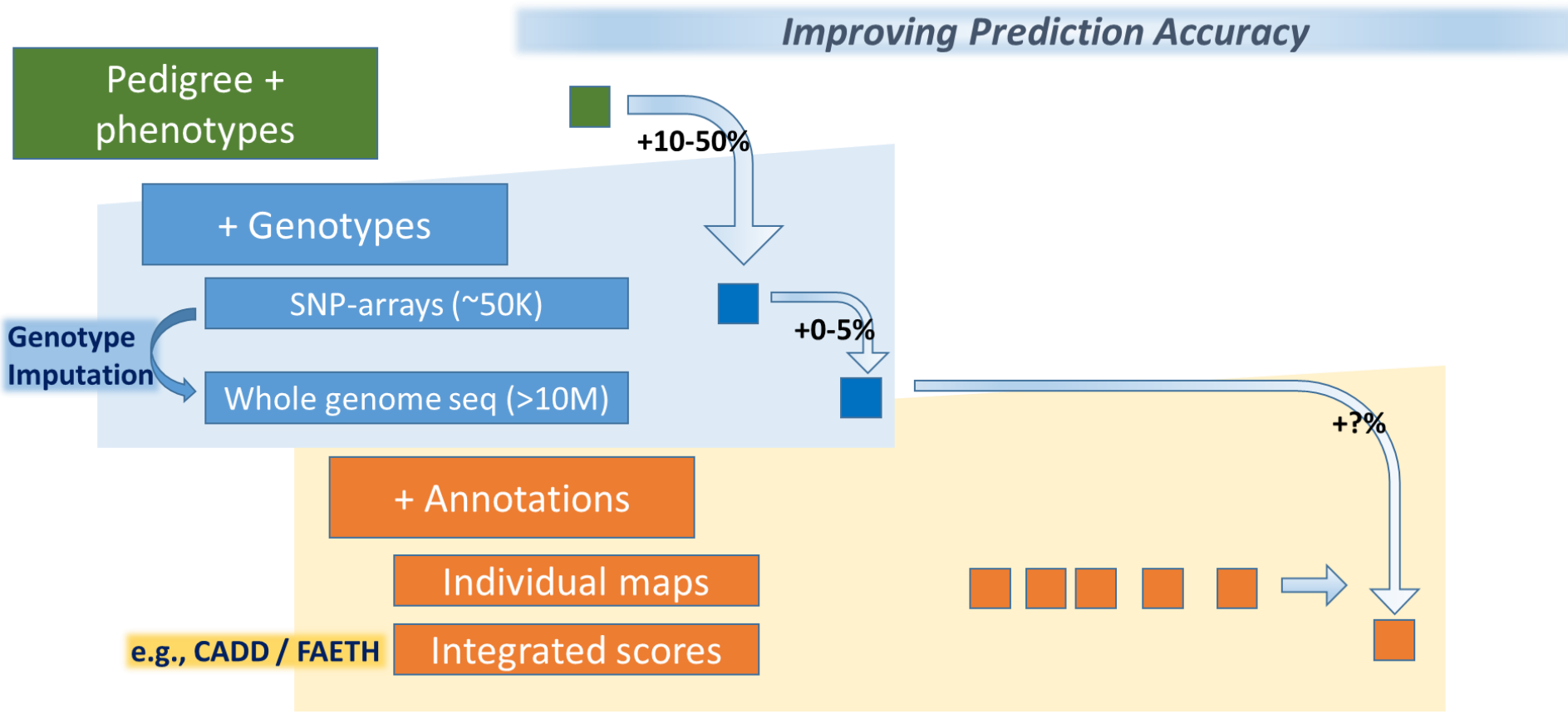


Adapted from: Ohnmacht et al, 2020. J Neural Transmission, 127; 729-748

Two paths to capture intermediate stages:

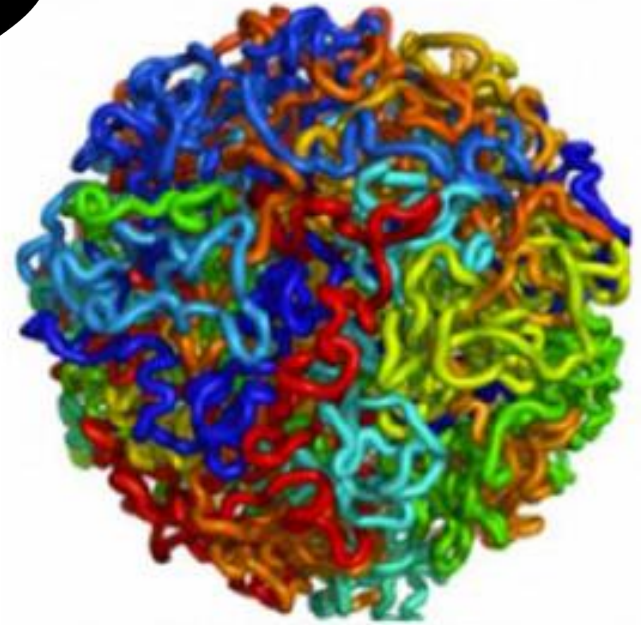
1. Use animals' omics data in genomic prediction
"individual level"
Generate individual level methylation & gene expression data
2. Use functional annotation in genomic prediction
"population level"
Generate omics data with many different assays

Functional annotations: its use for breeding animals



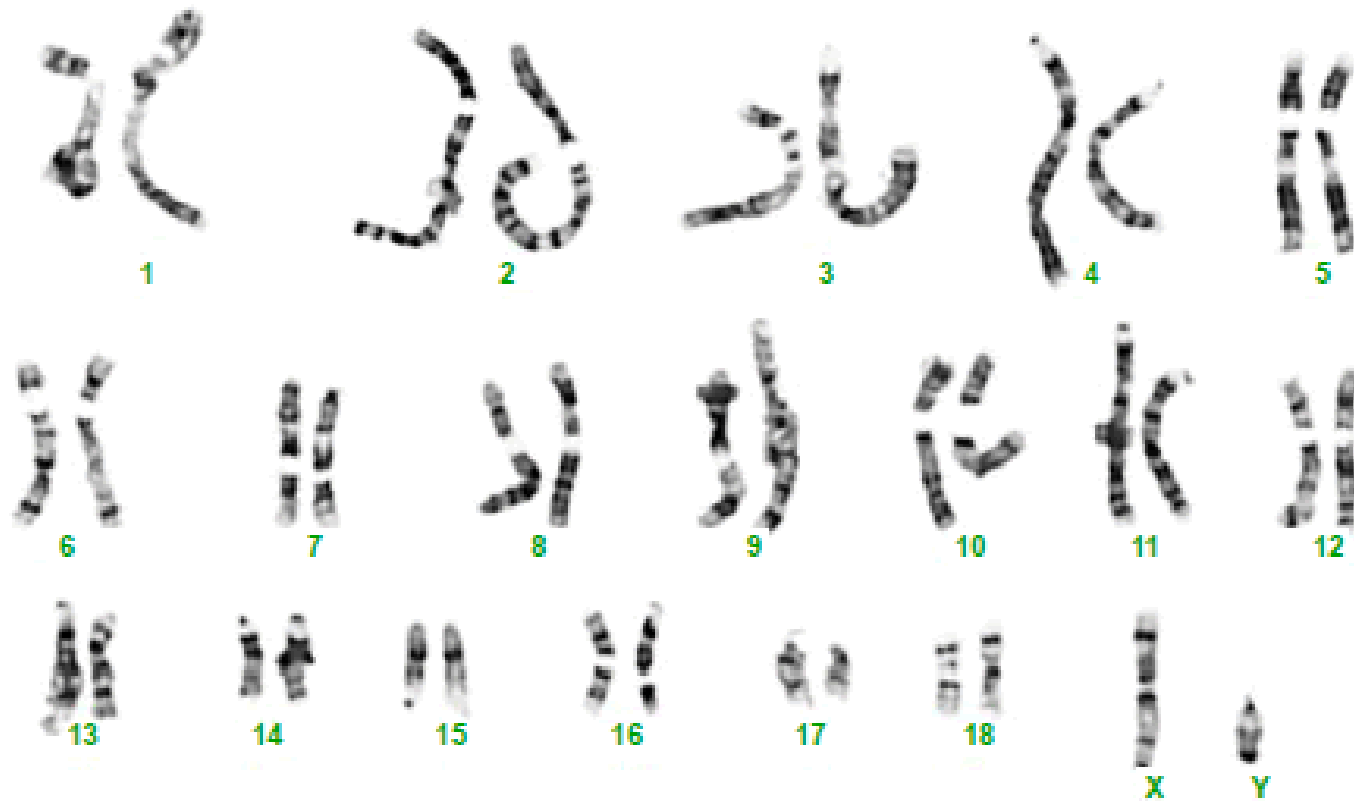
The complex way to perform spatial annotations

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Chromosome and DNA: a long history

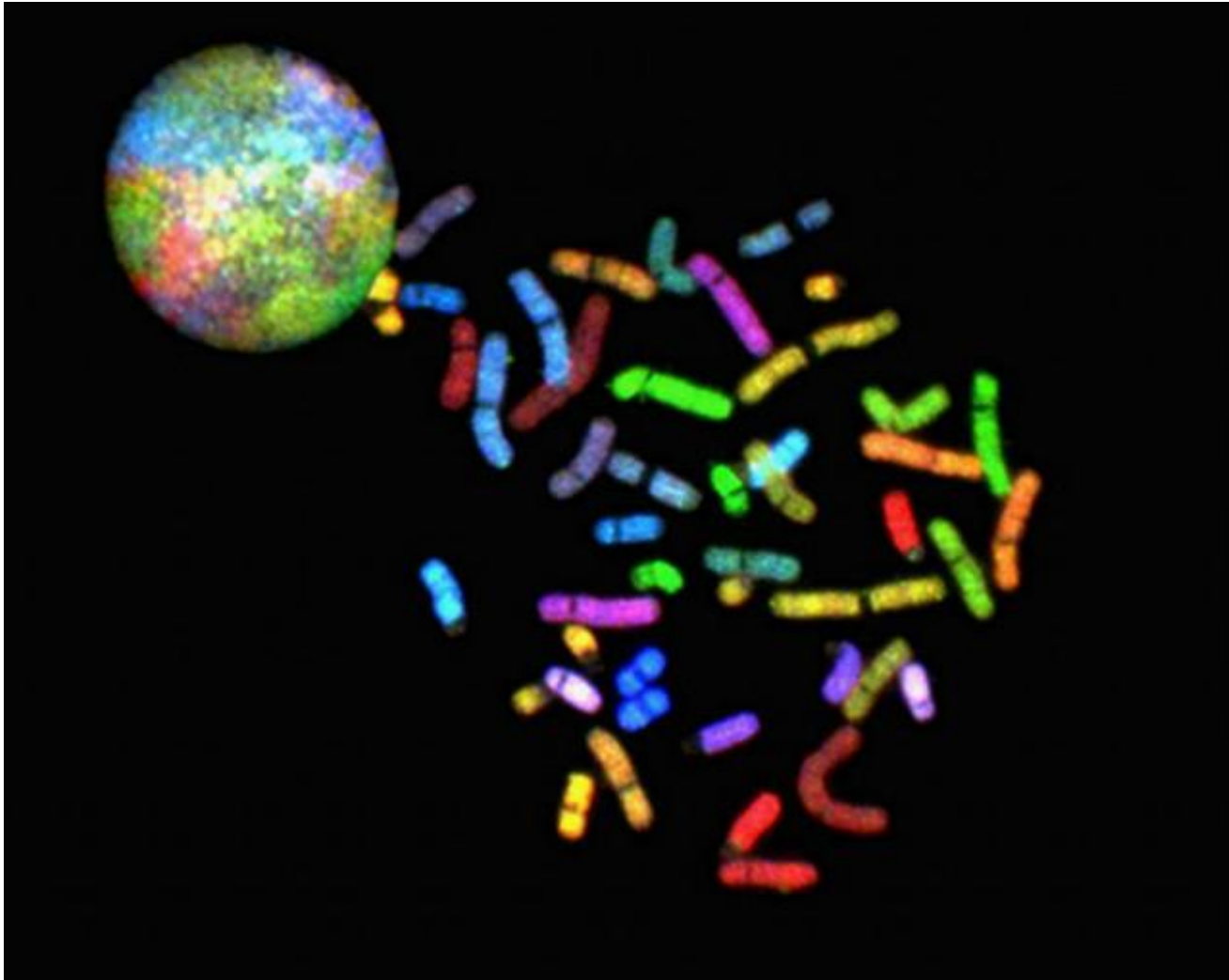
DNA is organized around chromosomes



For each diploid cell, you have $2n$ molecules of DNA where n is the number of chromosomes

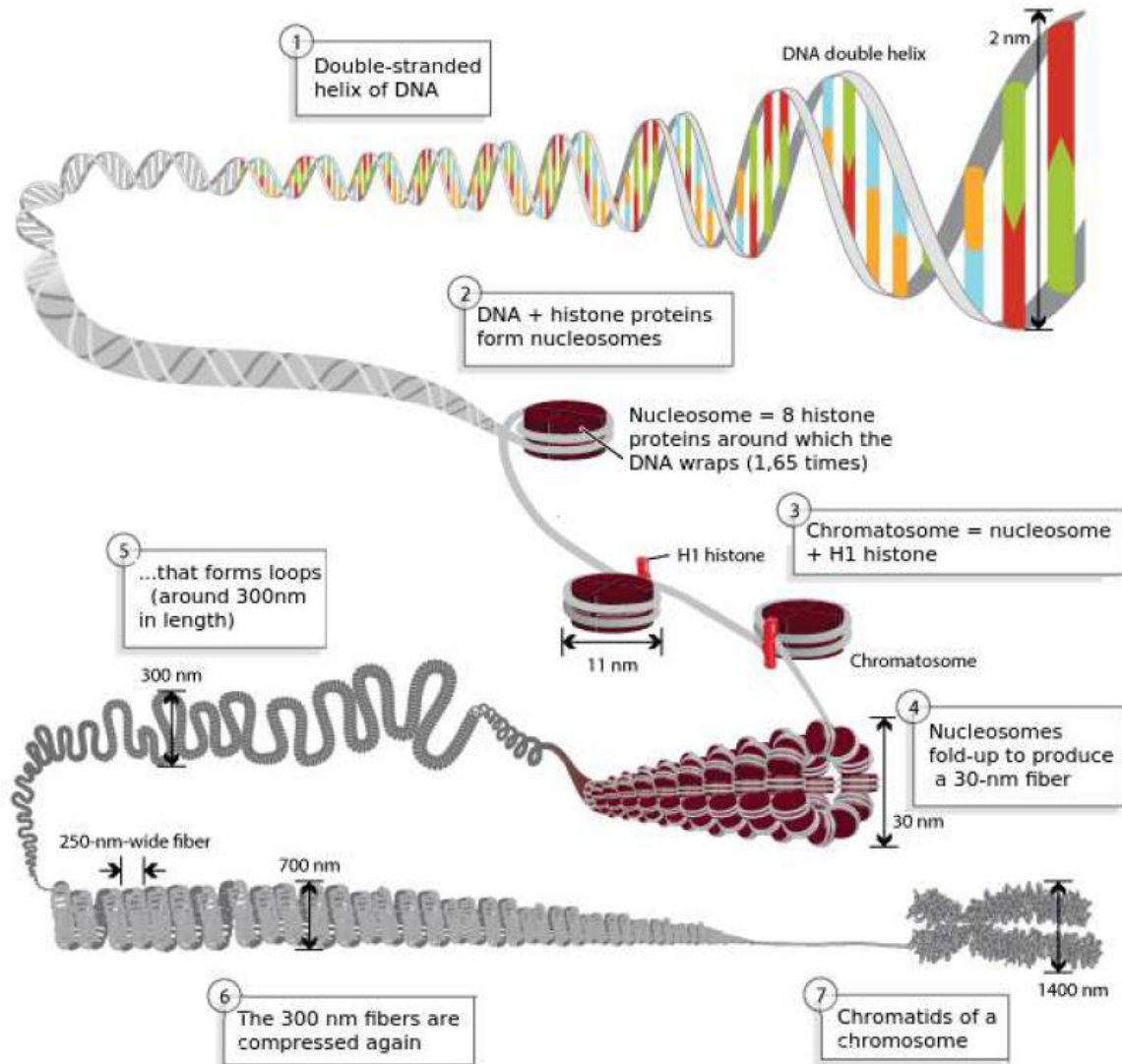
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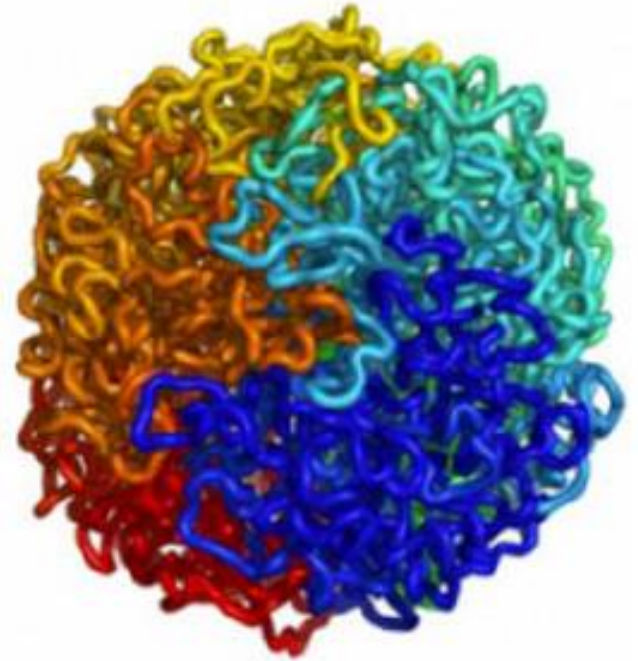
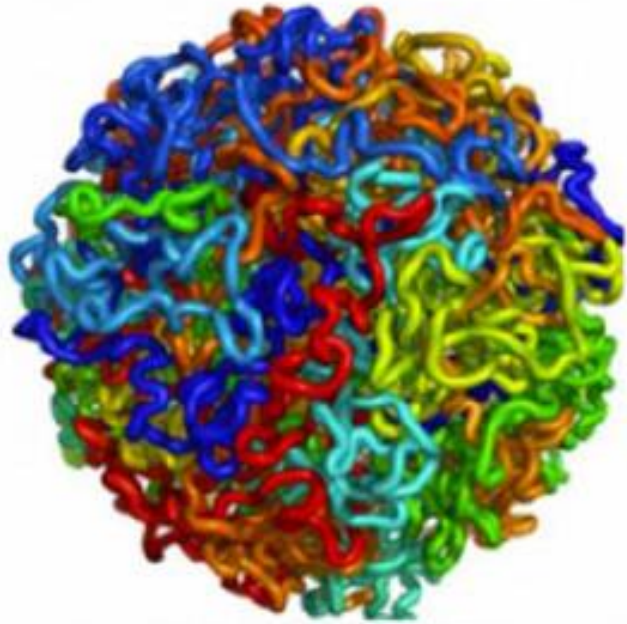
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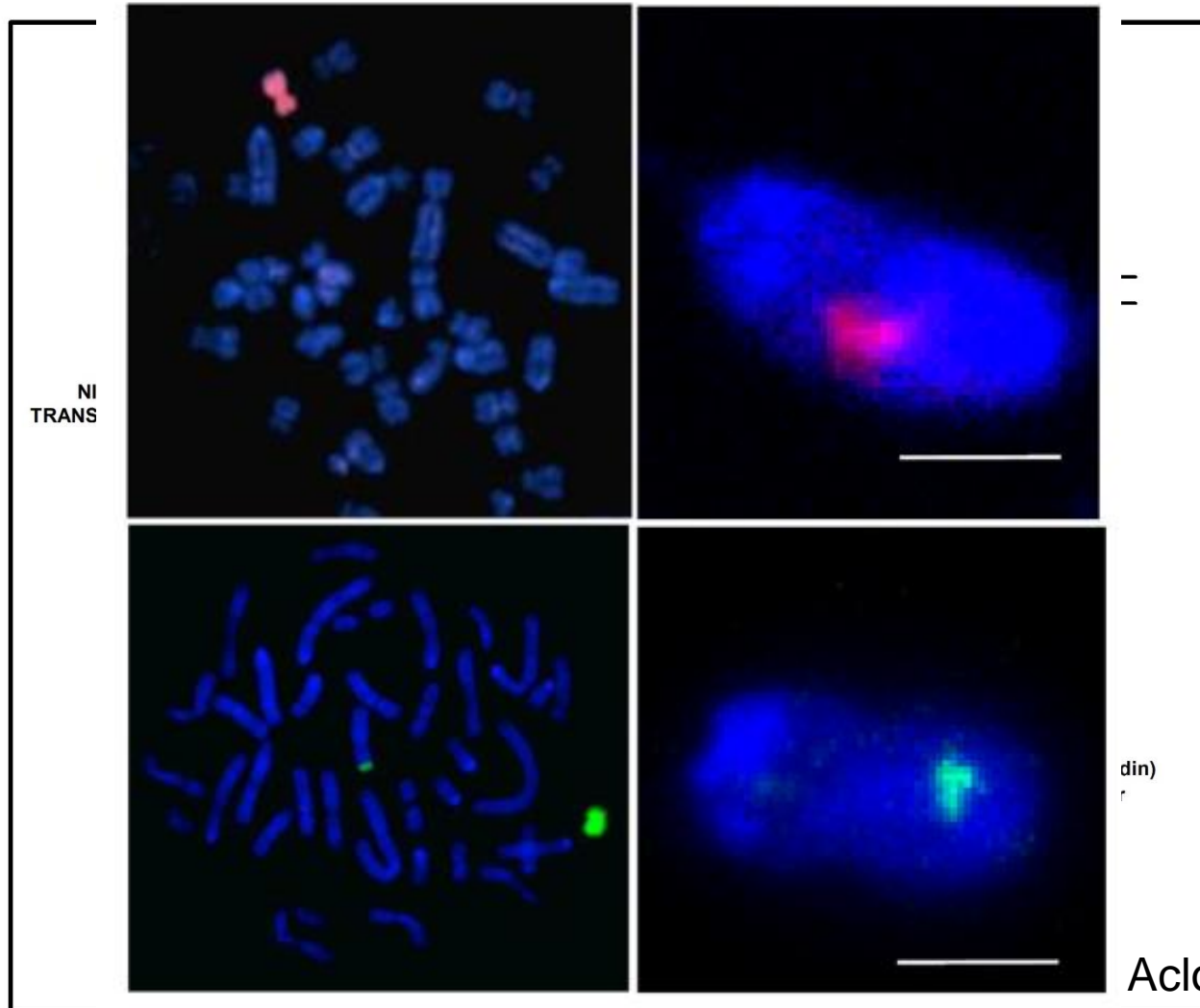
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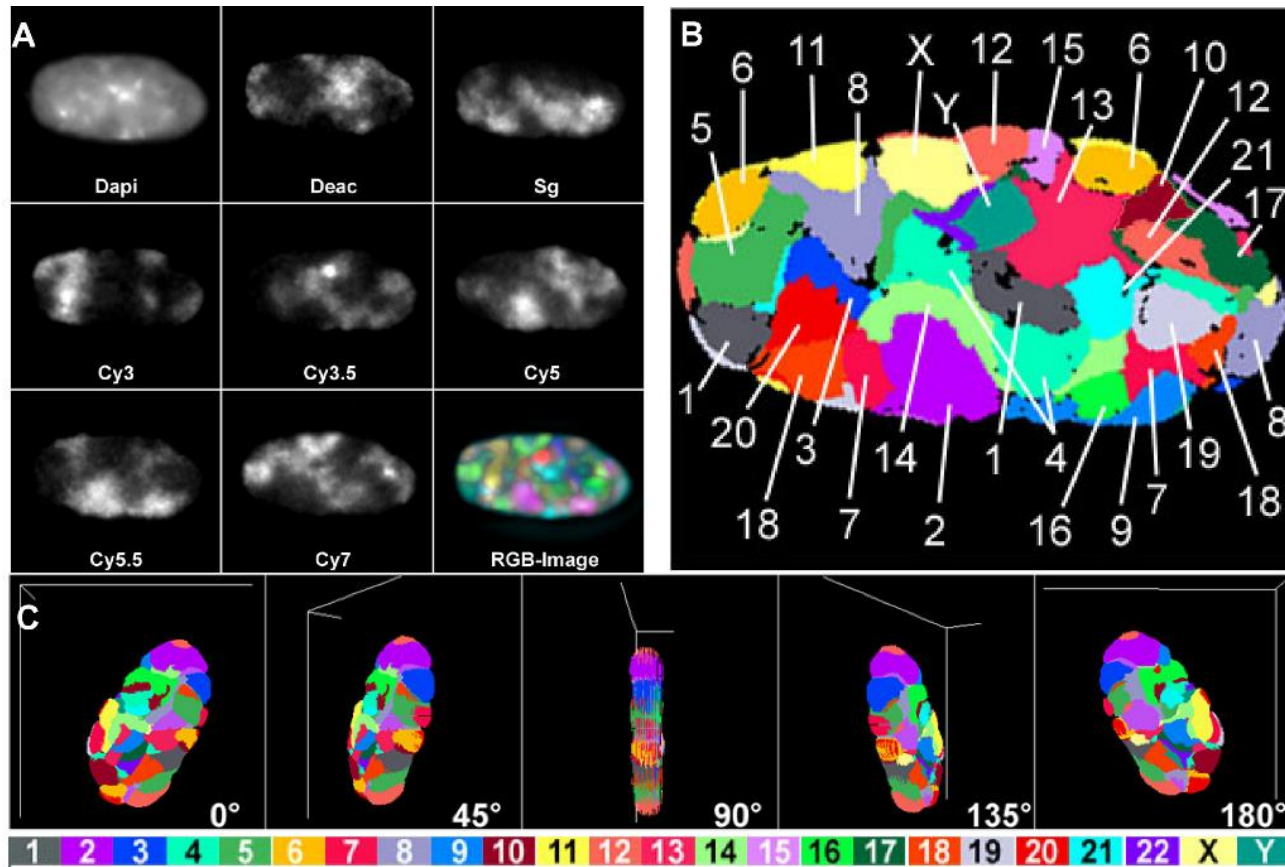
Looking at chromosome organisation

Fluorescent in situ hybridization allows to visualize interphase chromosome into the nucleus



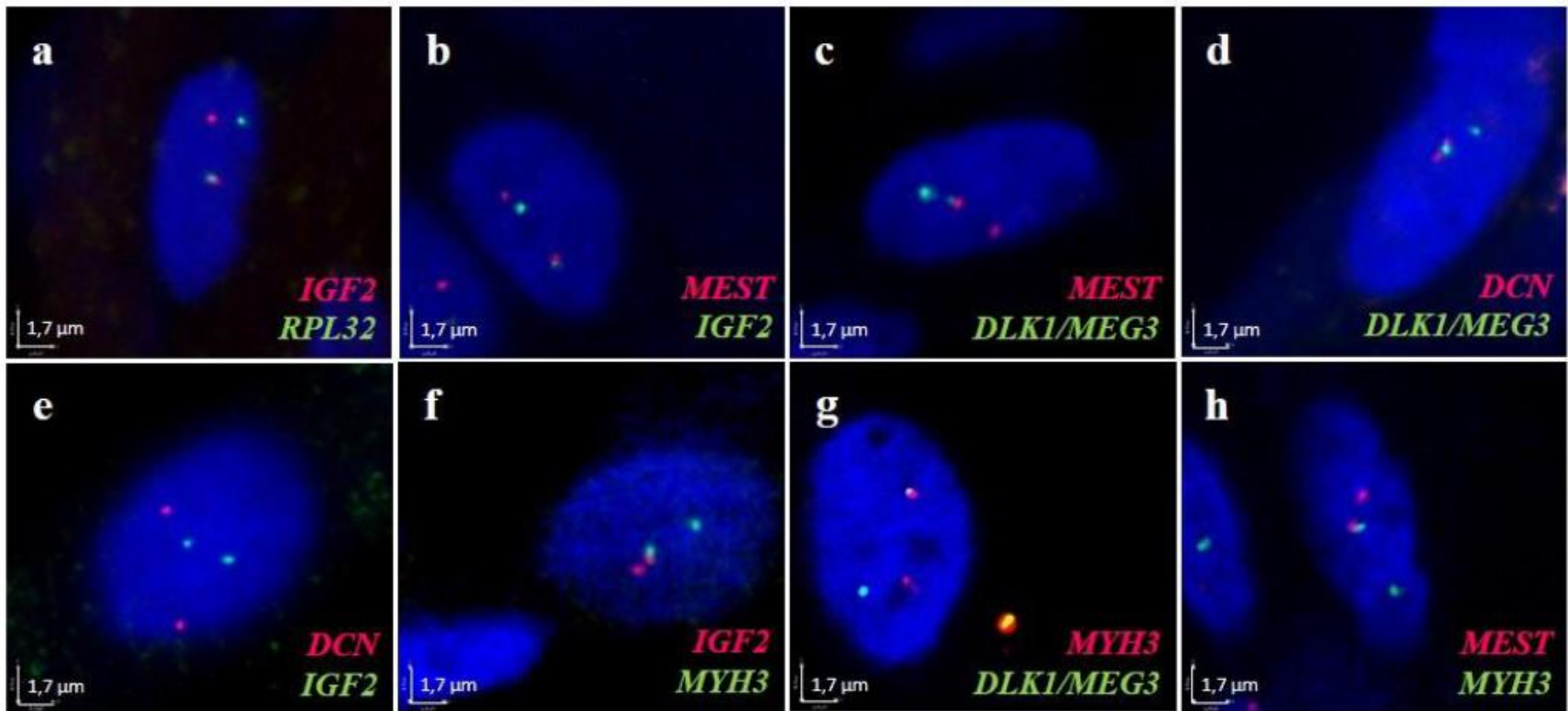
Looking at chromosome organisation

Within the interphase nucleus chromosomes are organized in chromosome territories



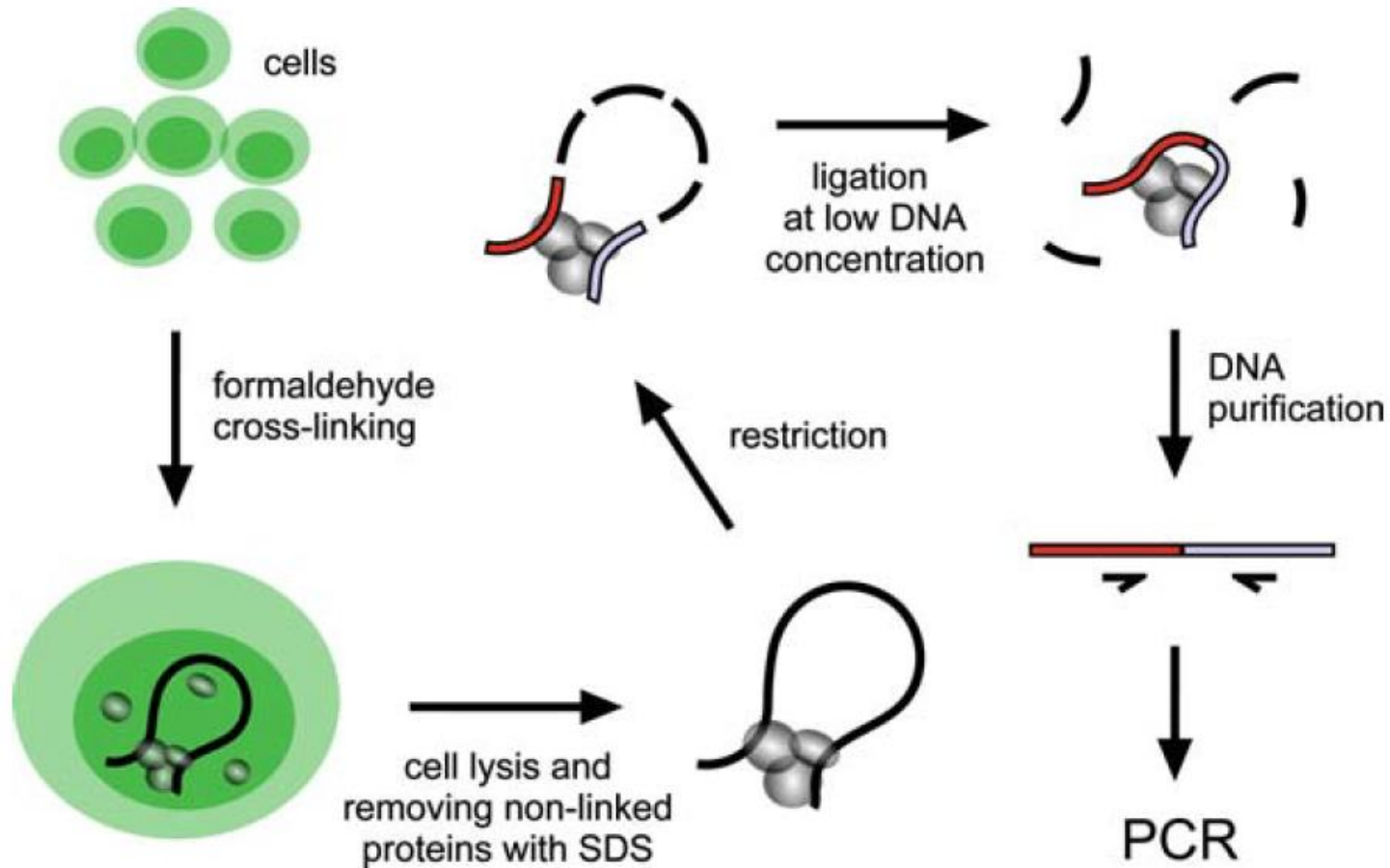
Looking deeper: gene-gene spatial interactions

by FISH: low throughput



Looking at gene-gene spatial interactions

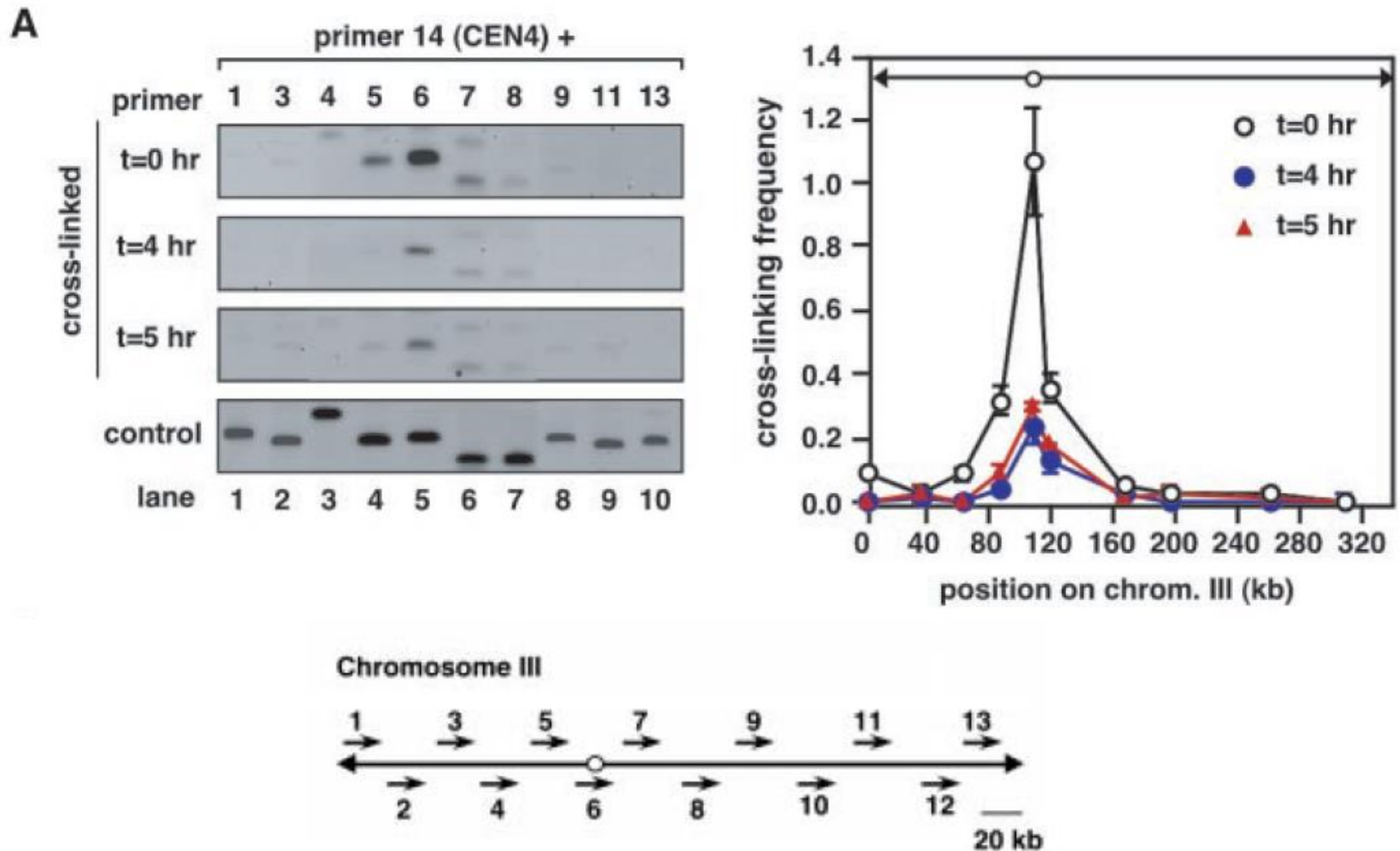
by Capture of Chromosome Conformation (3C)



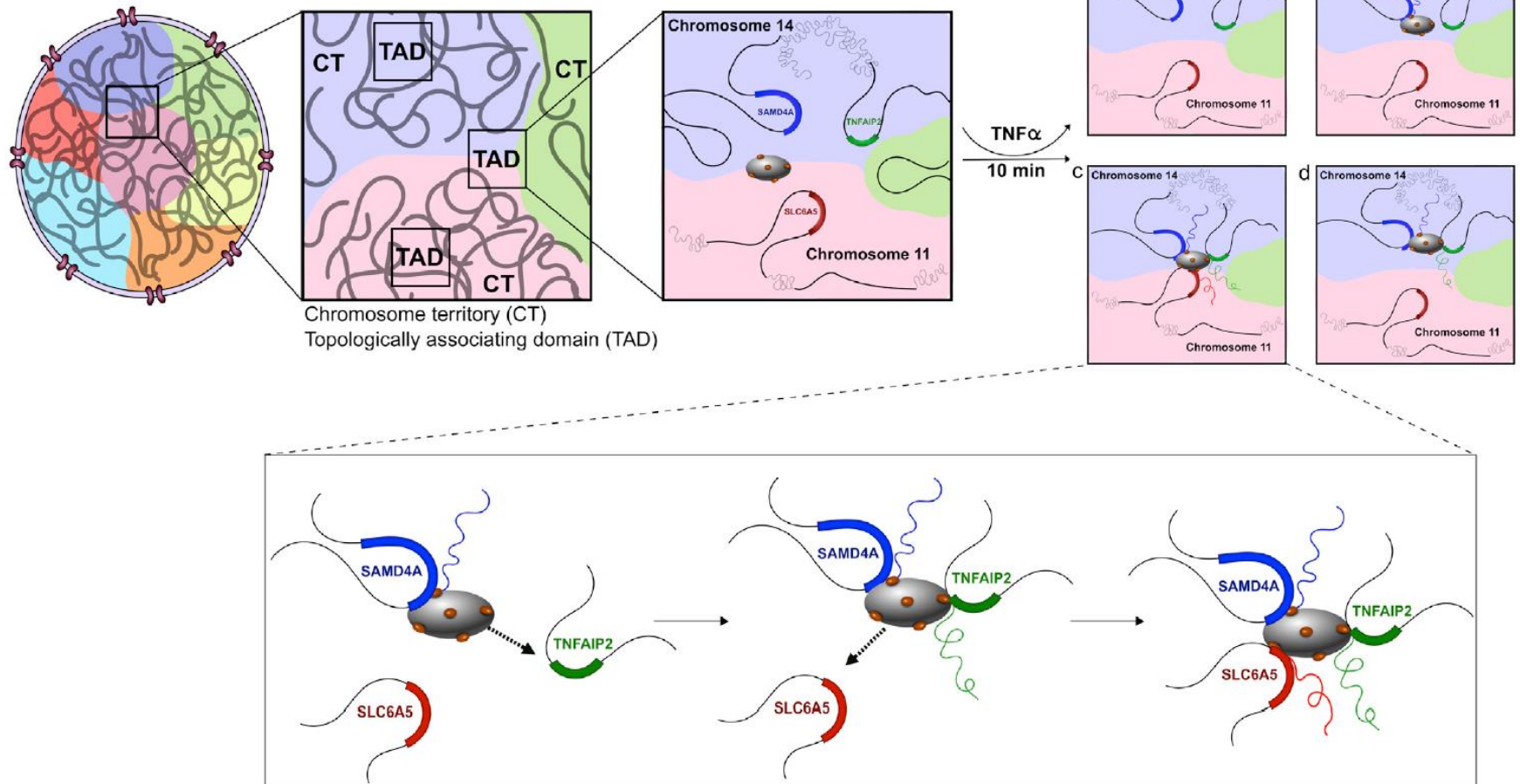
Gavrilov et al. 2009 (from Dekker et al. 2002)

Looking at gene-gene spatial interactions

by Capture of Chromosome Conformation (3C)



3D organisation is important for gene regulation and nucleus function



Toward a 3D genome map ?

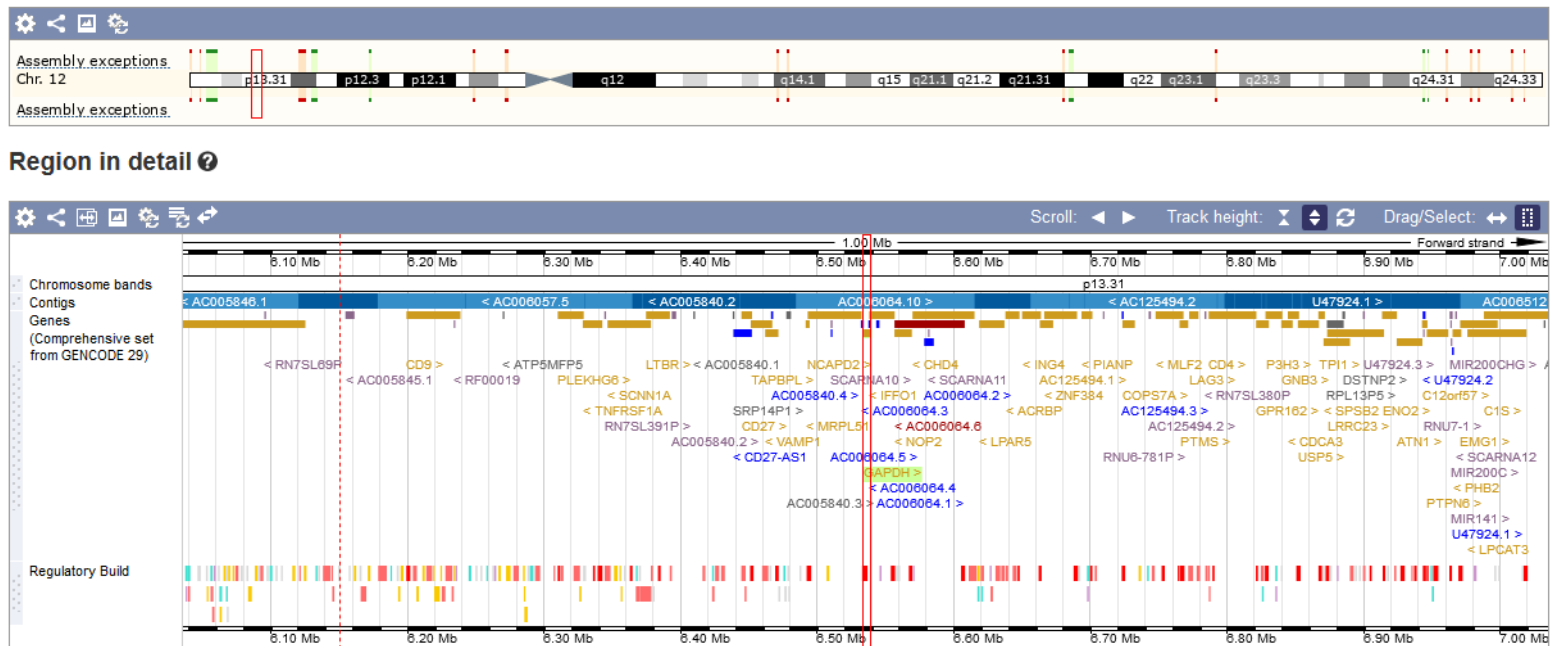
- Low input approaches are working well but:
 - Time and money-consuming
 - Only few genomic regions can be studied
 - Difficult to draw general rules on genome function and activities
 - You have a supervised analysis (identified candidates regions)

From a single dimension genome...

- First reference genomes between 2004-2012 for livestock species

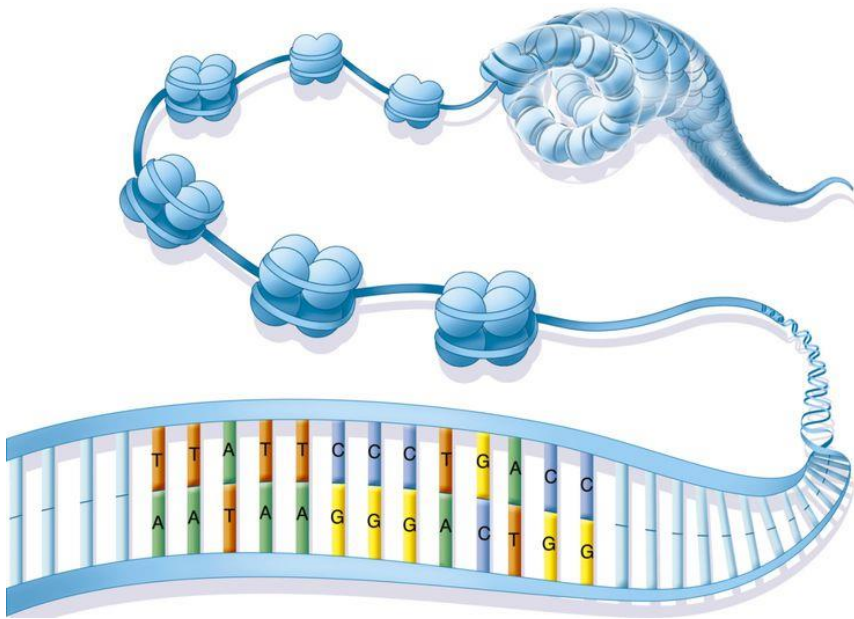
This is the ultimate physical map of the genome!

But this is still a linear information:

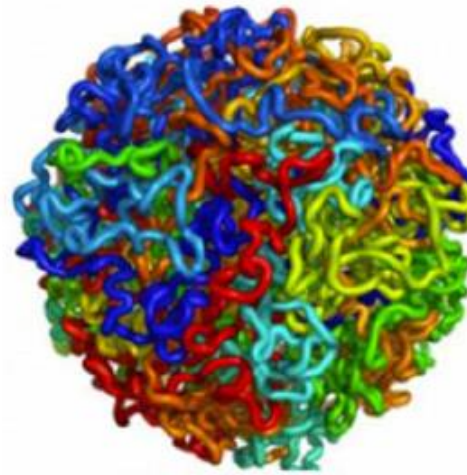


Toward a 3D genome map

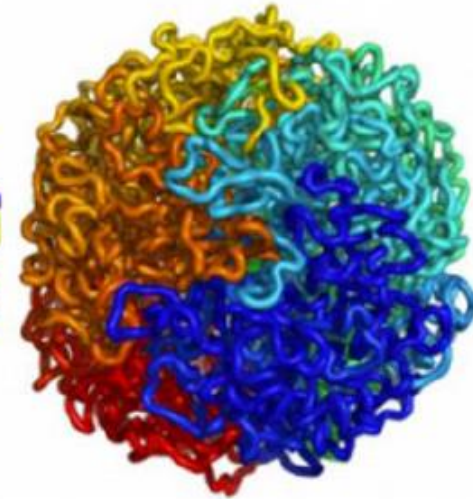
- The genome is condensed into a small volume, the nucleus, thanks to chromatin compaction



Random chromosomal distribution



Chromosome Territories (CTs)

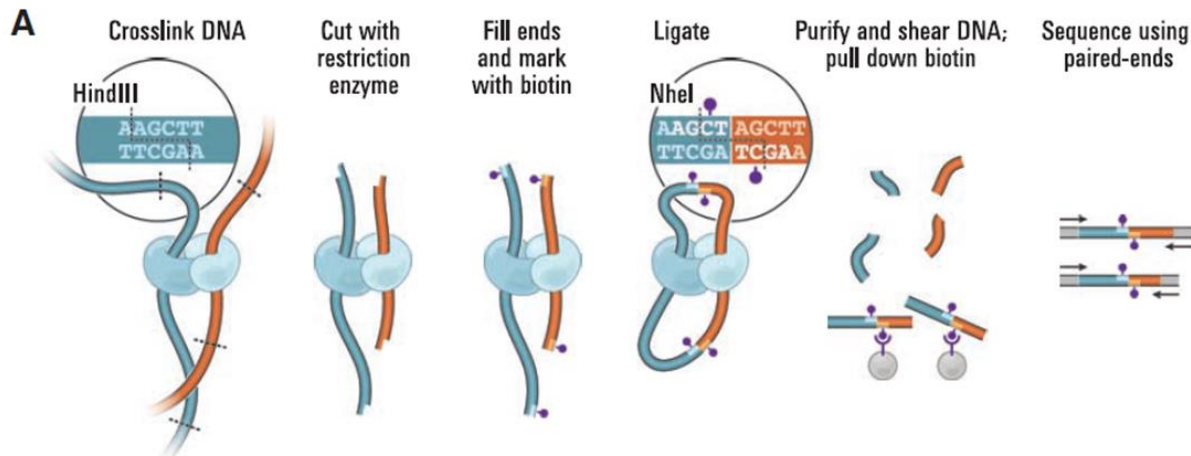


Toward a 3D genome map: the Hi-C revolution

By combining 3C and next generation sequencing, Erez Lieberman-Aiden from Lander's and Dekker's lab filled the gap by inventing Hi-C and allowed important breakthroughs in the knowledge of genome organization and function.

Comprehensive Mapping of Long-Range Interactions Reveals Folding Principles of the Human Genome

Erez Lieberman-Aiden,^{1,2,3,4*} Nynke L. van Berkum,^{5*} Louise Williams,¹ Maxim Imakaev,² Tobias Ragozy,^{6,7} Agnes Telling,^{6,7} Ido Amit,¹ Bryan R. Lajoie,⁵ Peter J. Sabo,⁸ Michael O. Dorschner,⁸ Richard Sandstrom,⁸ Bradley Bernstein,^{1,9} M. A. Bender,¹⁰ Mark Groudine,^{6,7} Andreas Gnirke,¹ John Stamatoyannopoulos,⁸ Leonid A. Mirny,^{2,11} Eric S. Lander,^{1,12,13†} Job Dekker^{5†}



Hi-C: how it works

Chromatin conformation using Hi-C

Principle of Chromosome Conformation Capture

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Conformation at the time of fixation

Digestion of chromatin

Re-ligation



Initial sequence



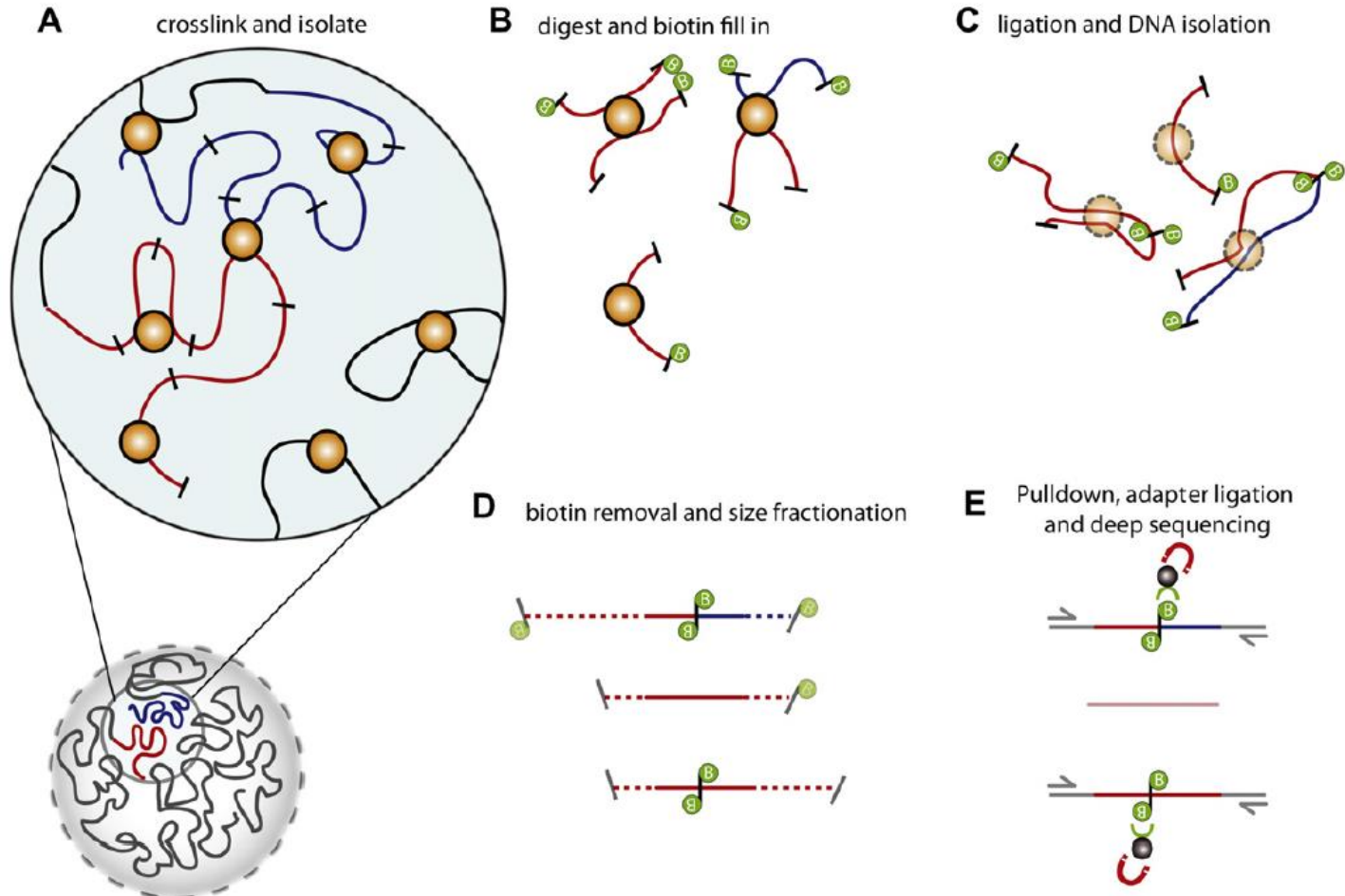
Sequence reflective of structure



from Davies et al. 2017

Hi-C: how it works

Molecular strategy



from Belton et al. 2012, Rao et al. 2014

Hi-C: how it works

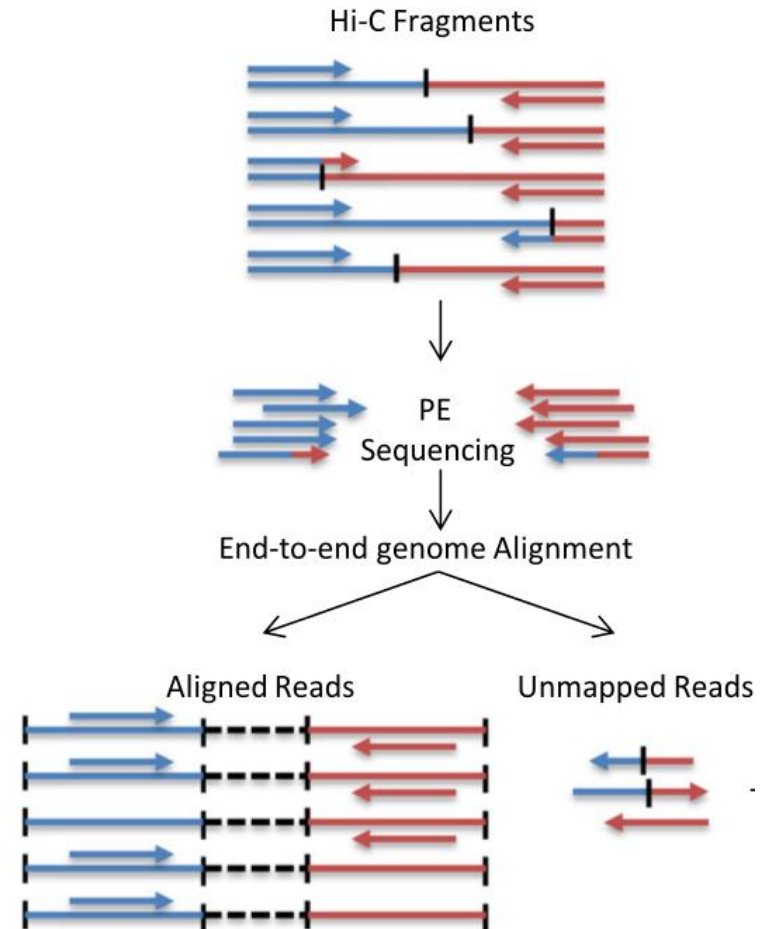
Analysis of raw sequences data:

Pipeline

- Trim reads (religation site)
- Map on reference genome
- Discard inconsistent pairs
- Build contact matrix
- Normalize contact matrix
- Generate html report
- Find **TADs**
- Find **A and B compartments**

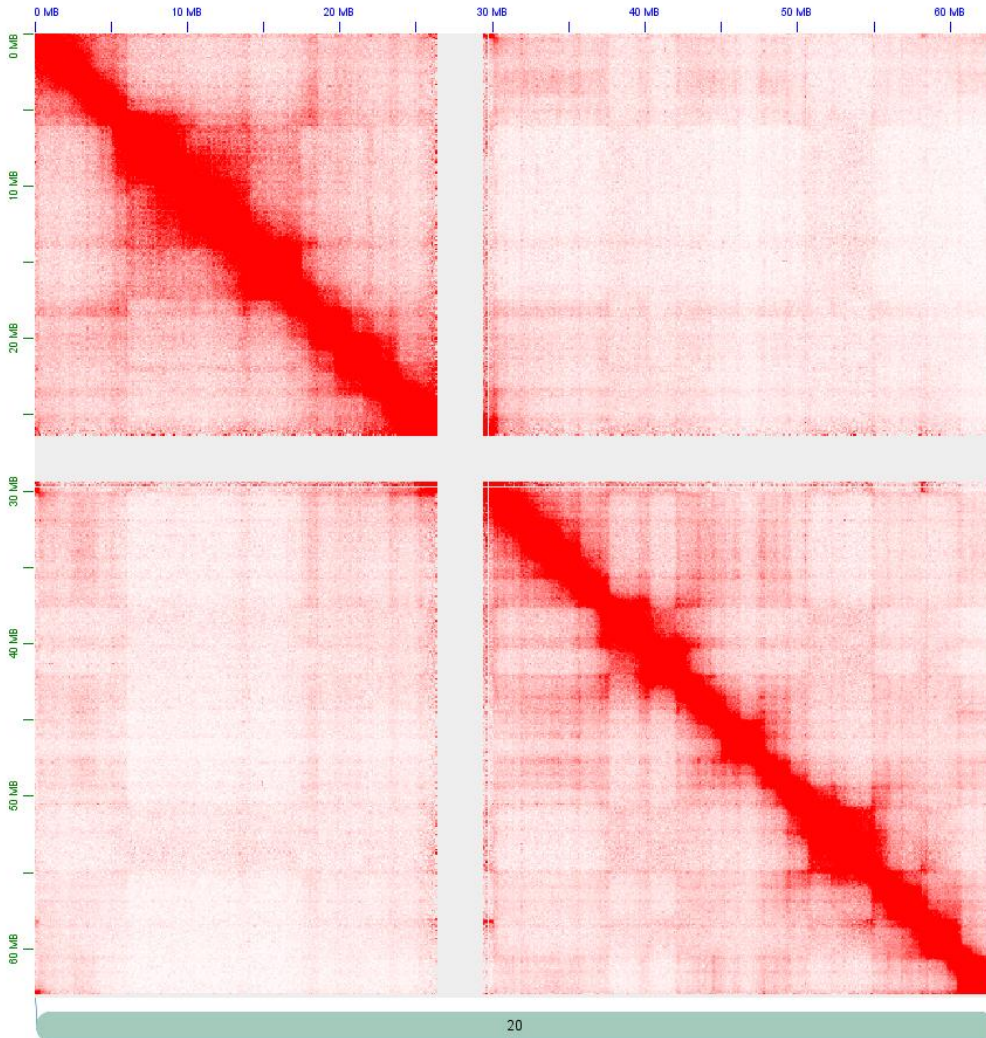
Software

- HiC-Pro pipeline (Servant et al 2015)
- Bowtie2 mapping (Langmead et al, 2009)
- ICE normalization (Imakaev et al, 2012)
- HiTC display & A/B comp. (Servant et al, 2012)
- HiFive pipeline (Sauria et al, 2015)
- Armatus TAD finding (Filippova et al, 2014)
- Juicebox browser (Durand et al, 2016)



Hi-C: how it works

Main output data: Matrix of proximity / Interaction maps



Observed interactions for human chromosome 20 in human ES cells

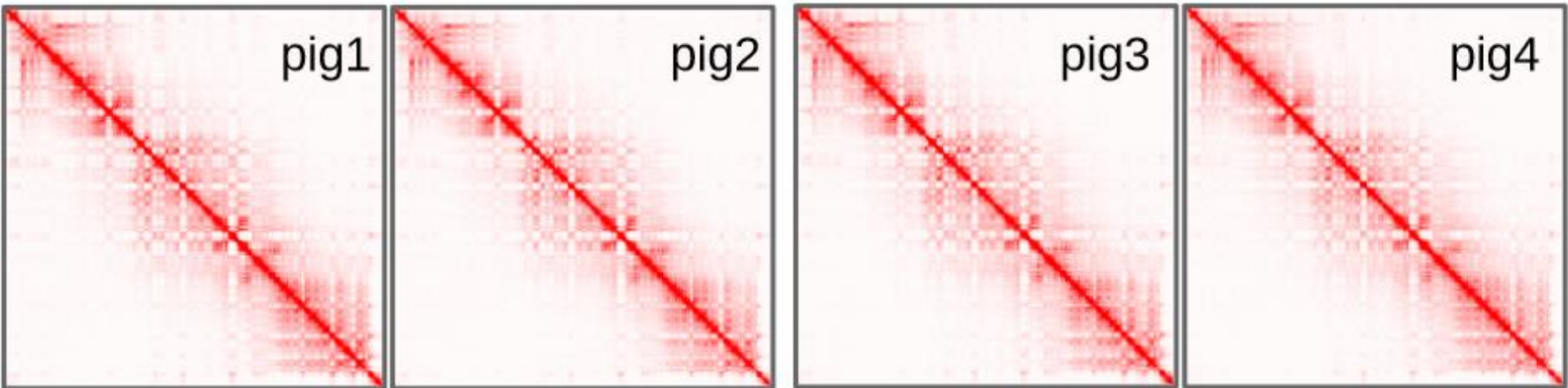
Data from Dekker's lab on Juicer

Resolution : 100kb

The chromosome is divided in bin of 100kb. For each bin, we counted paired reads with one read inside the bin, and the other on another bin (cis or trans),

Hi-C: how it works

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The Hi-C contact matrices from the 4 replicates (*Sus scrofa*, chromosome 1)

From Foissac et al. 2019

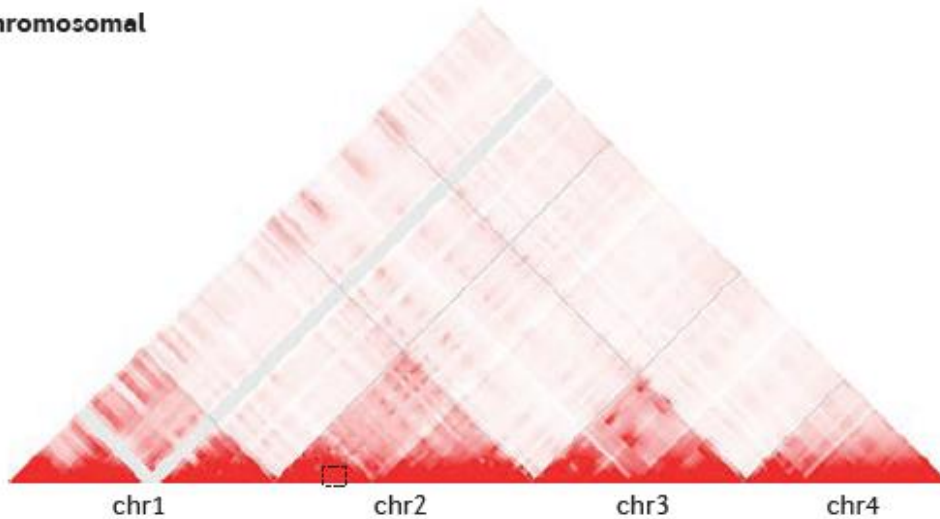
Hi-C: what can we learn on
genome organisation and function
from these data ?



1. Compartments

Low resolution Hi-C (500kb- 1Mb) provides cues on global genome organization in the nucleus

d Interchromosomal

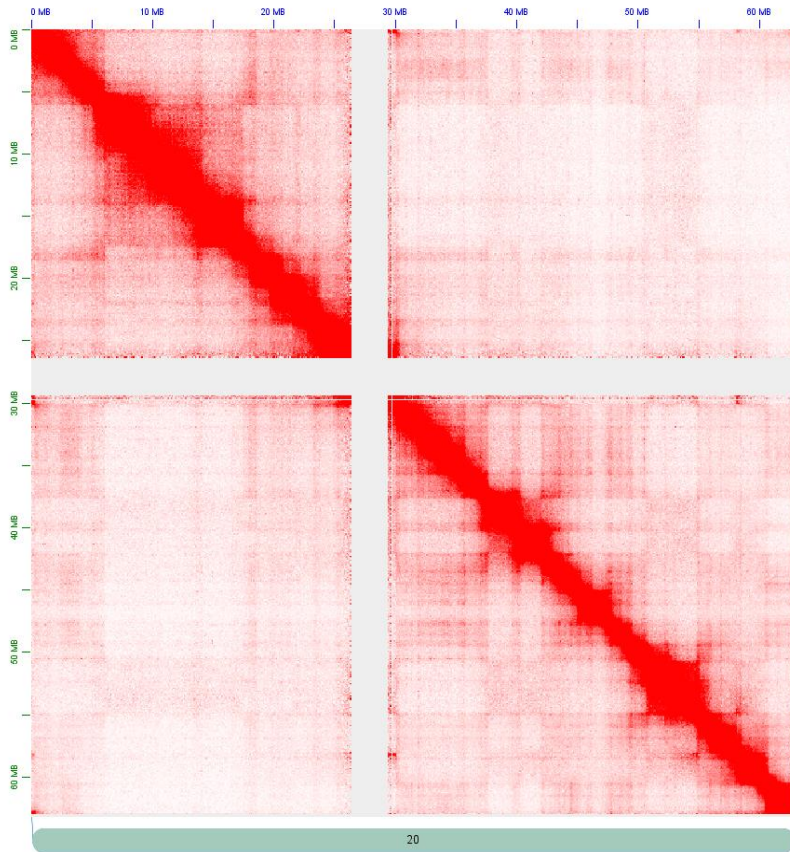


Bonev and Cavalli 2016

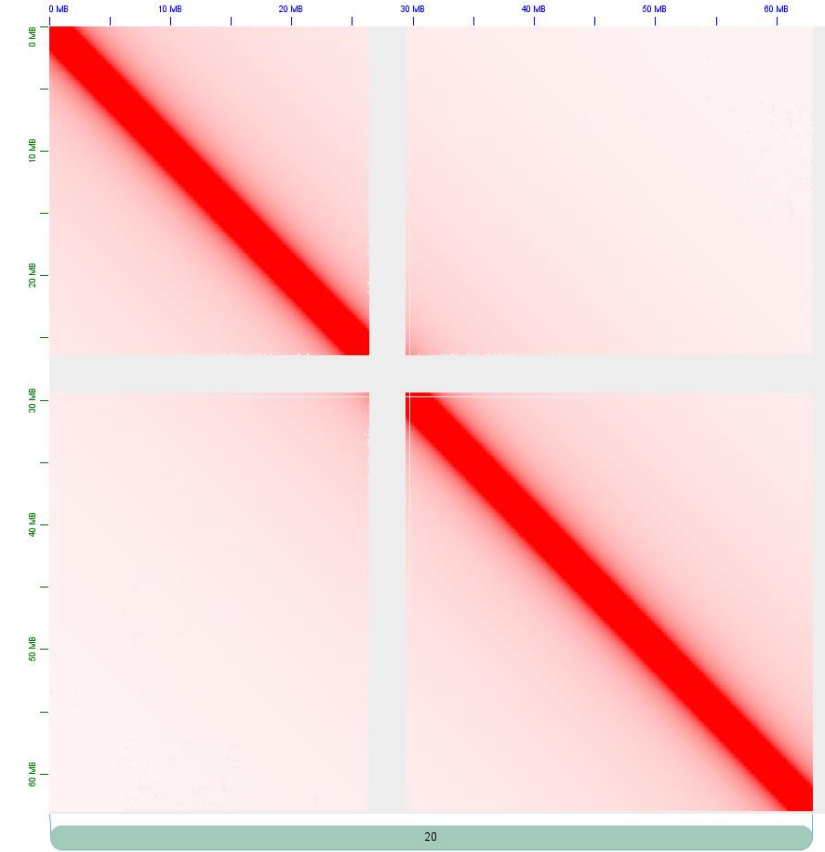
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Low resolution Hi-C (500kb- 1Mb):

Normalization for reducing “proximity noise”



Observed

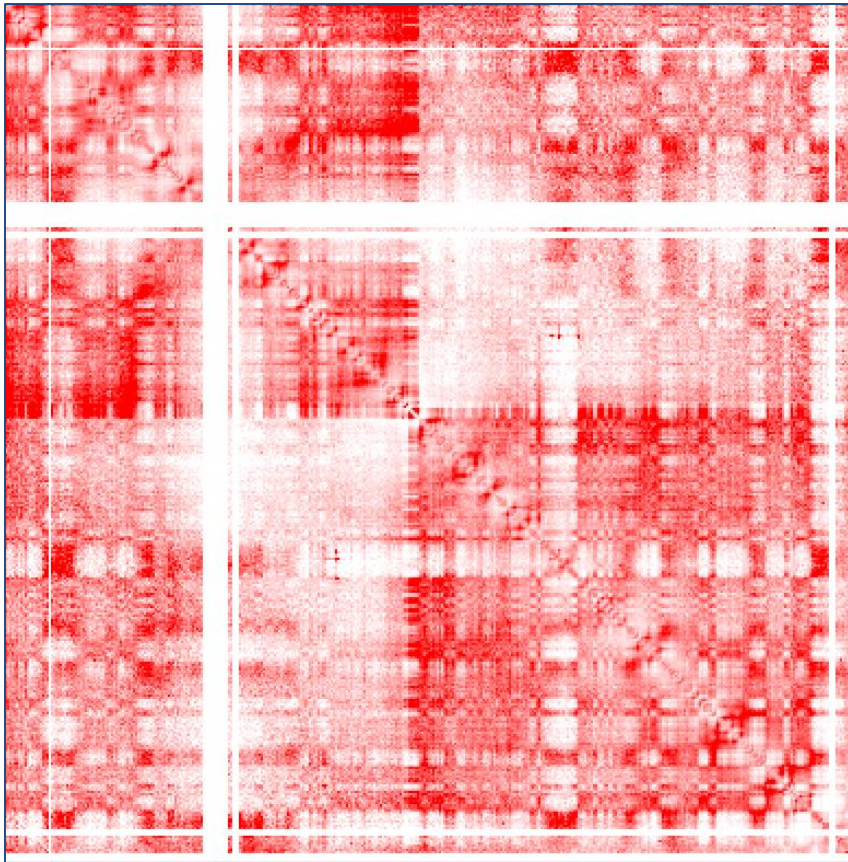


Expected

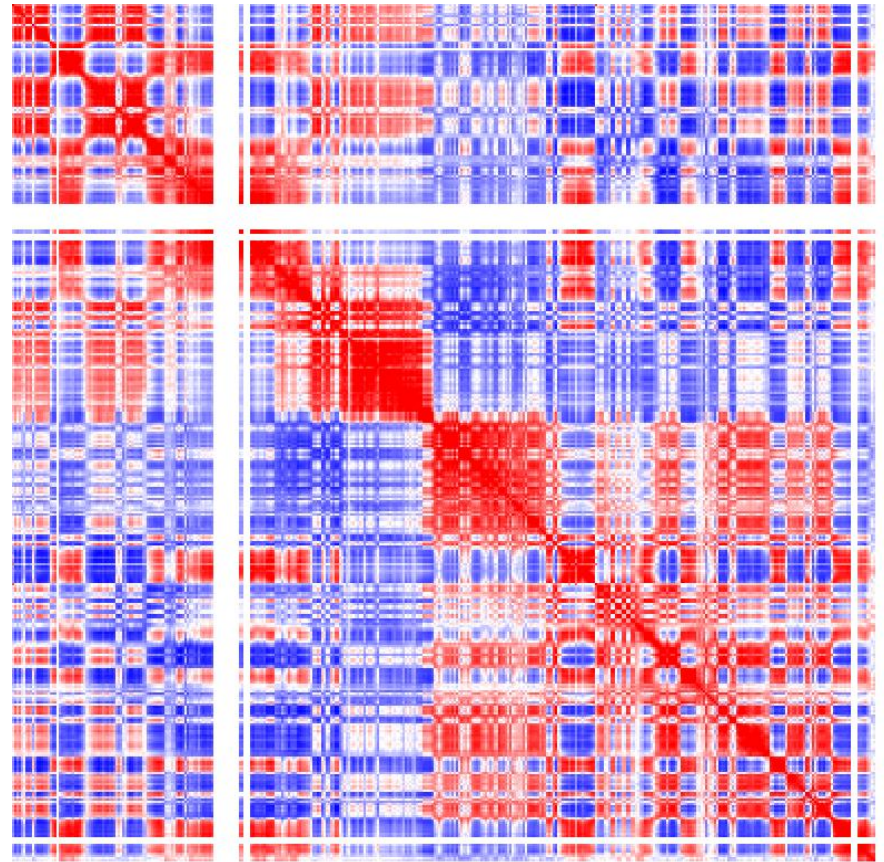
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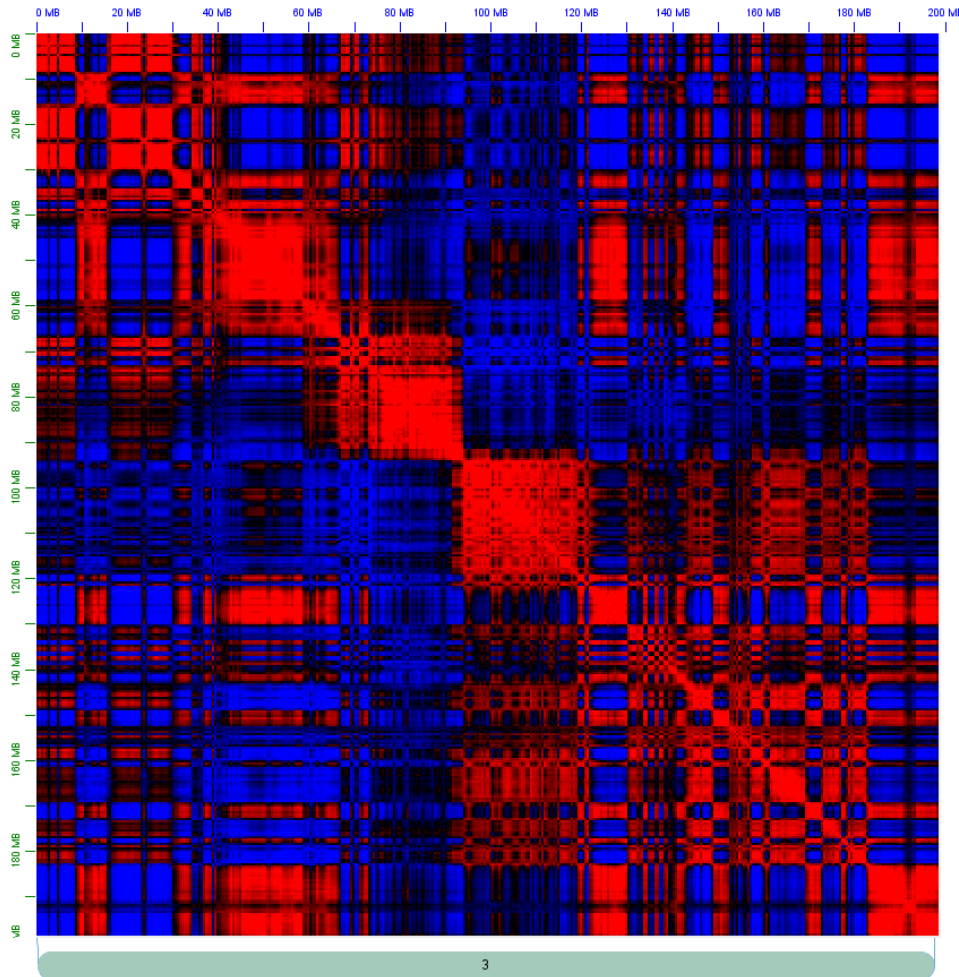
Observed/Expected



Pearson correlation matrix

1. Discovery of compartments

Low resolution Hi-C (500kb- 1Mb): A and B compartments



Pearson correlation matrix

PCA: eigen values of PC1
or PC2

Succession of positive and
negative values reflecting a
global nuclear organization

Median size: 5Mb



1. Compartments

Biological properties of A and B compartments

A compartments represent:

Gene-rich domains with an high GC content,

They are enriched for histone marks of active transcription

They tend to be located in the interior of the nucleus

They are enriched ofr early replication origins

B compartments:

Gene-poor domains and closed chromatin

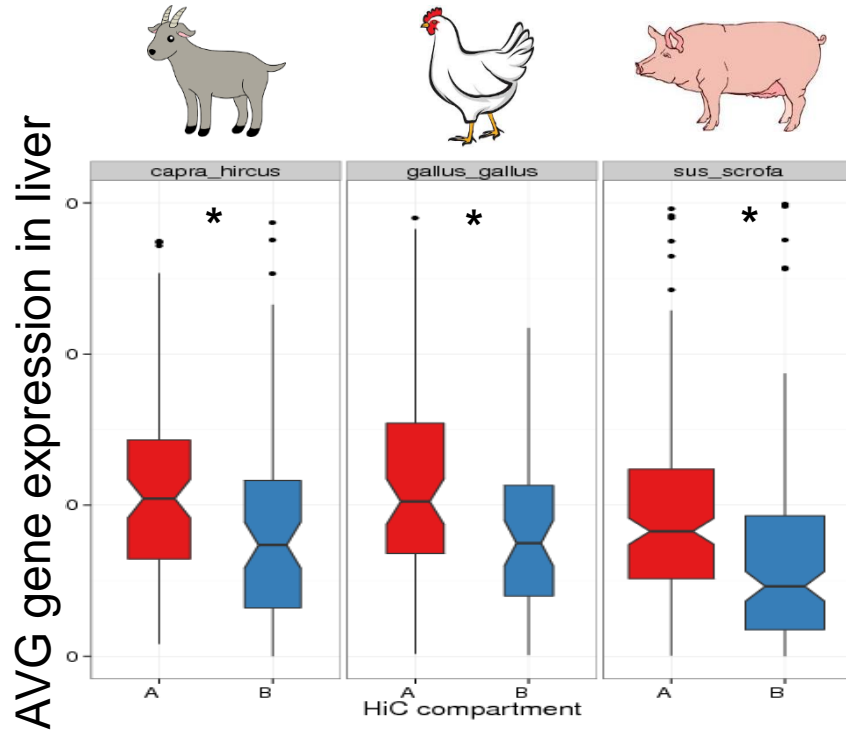
They are enriched for histone marks associated with gene repression

They tend to be located on the nuclear periphery (LADs)

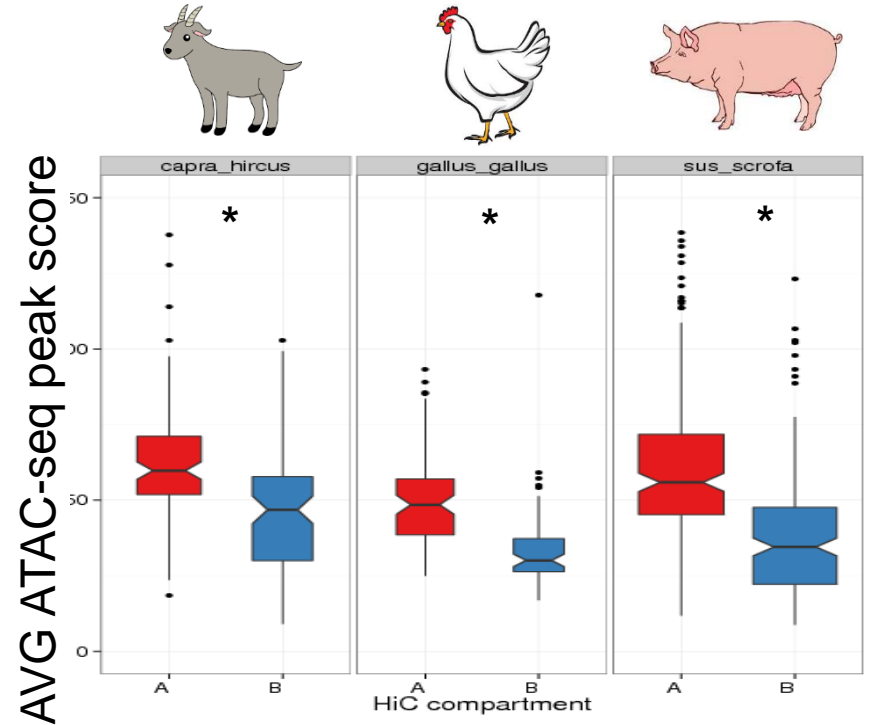
They are enriched for late replication origins

1. Compartments : biological properties

Confirmation by experimental data: the Fr-AgENCODE project (<http://www.frangencode.org/>)



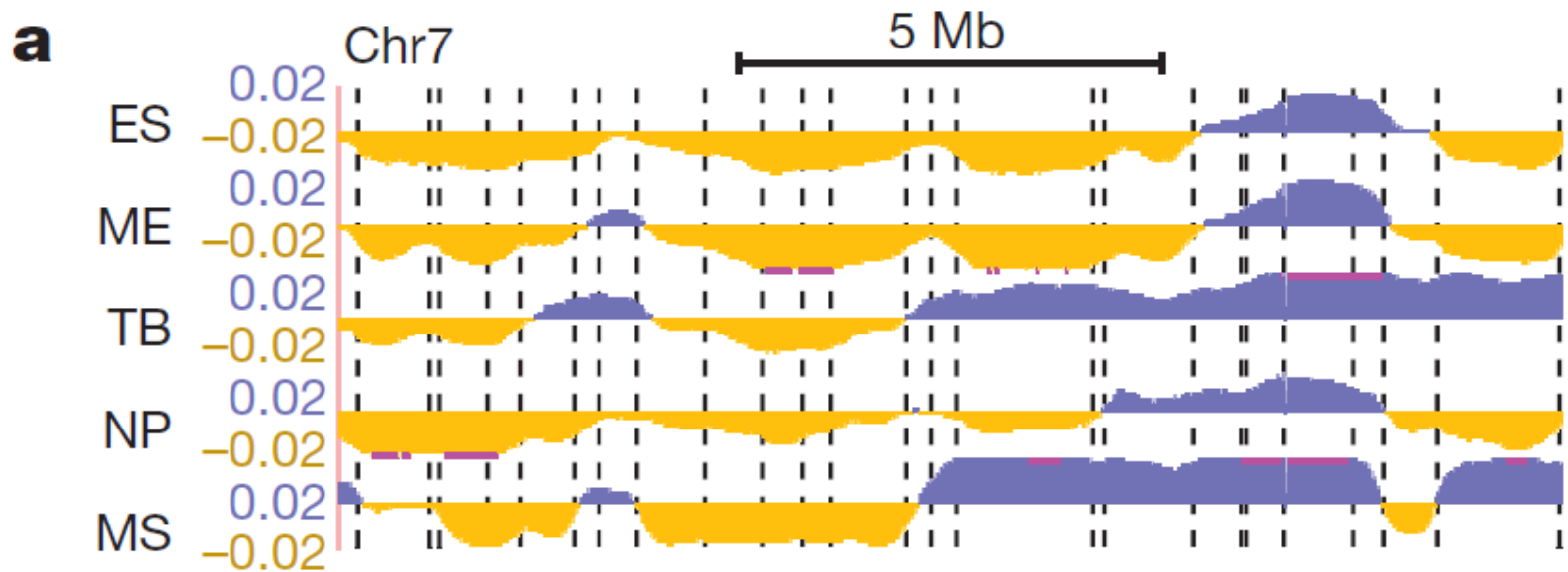
Genes are more transcribed in A vs B compartments



Chromatin is more accessible in A versus B compartments

1. Compartments : biological properties

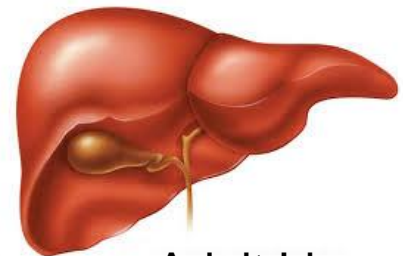
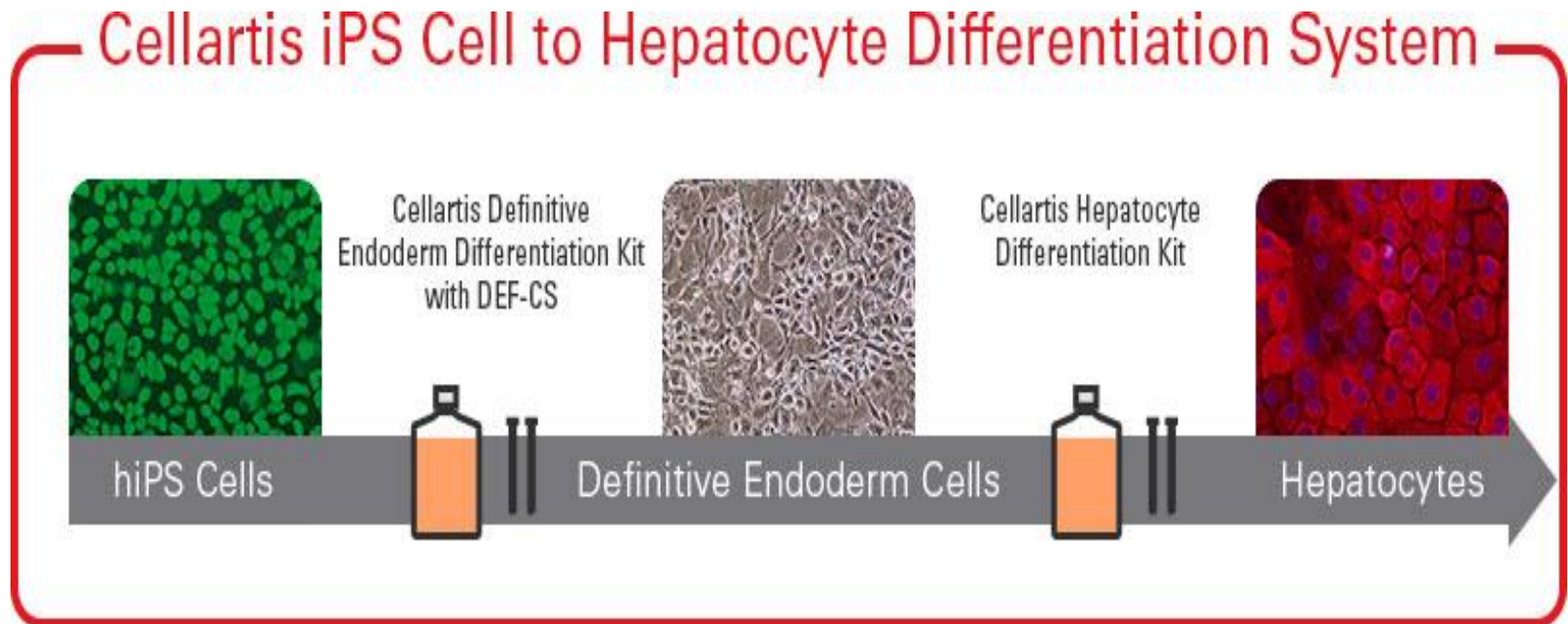
A and B compartments are mostly conserved but exhibit cell specificities.



Dixon et al. 2015

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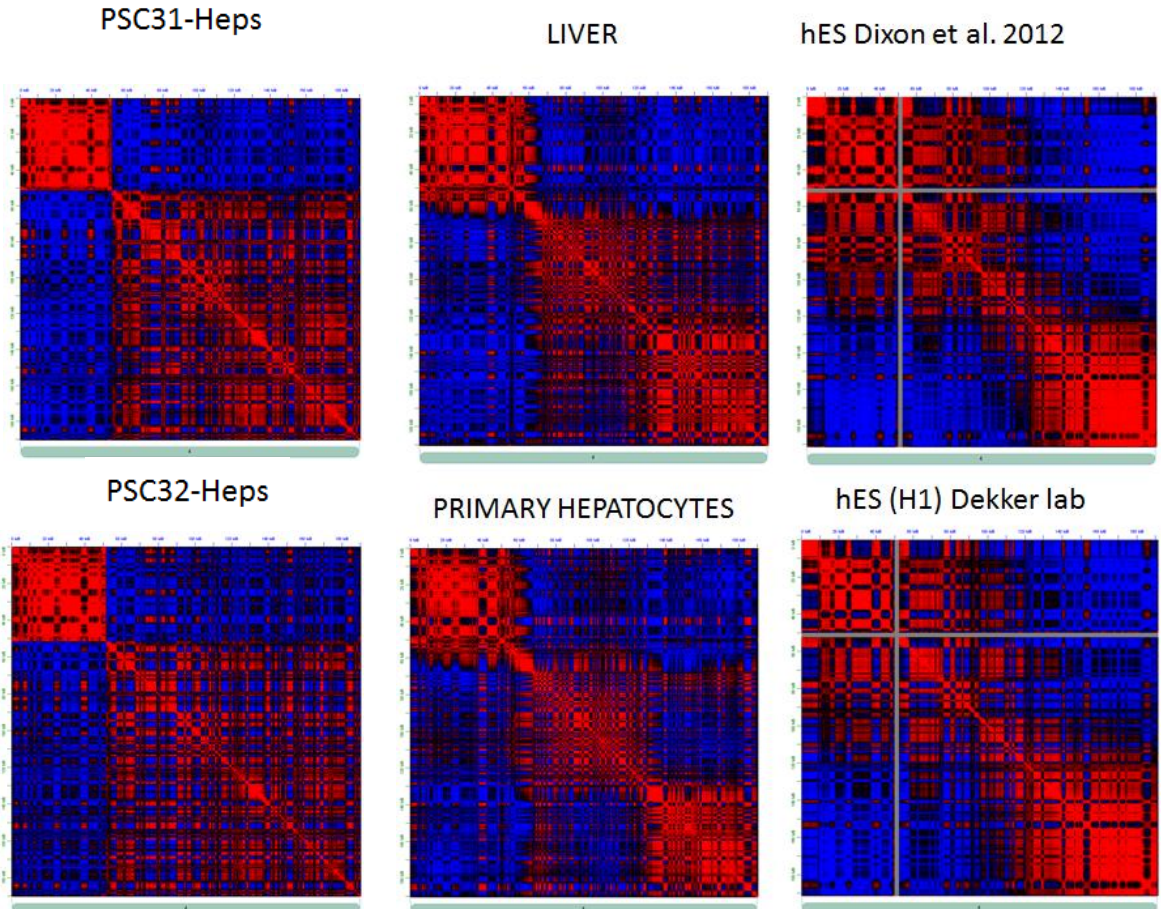


Adult Liver

1. Compartments : biological properties

A and B compartments are mostly conserved but exhibit cell specificities.

Chr4



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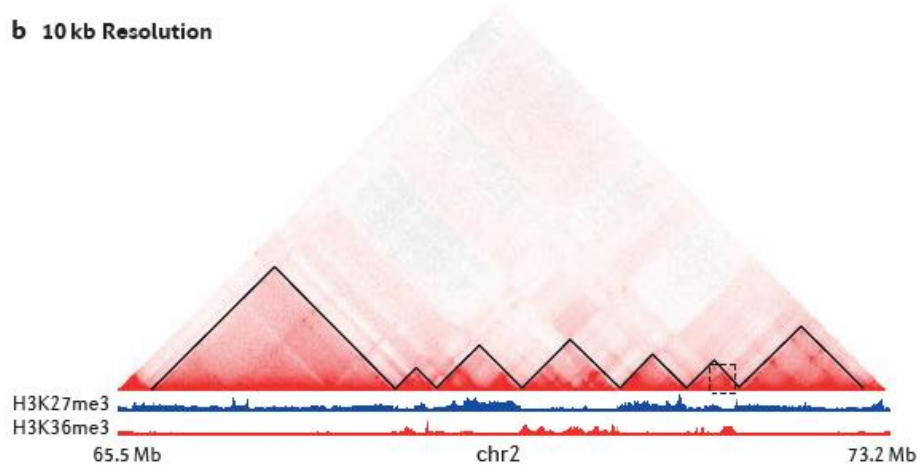
A/B COMPARTMENT SWITCHING

CONSERVATION: about 80%

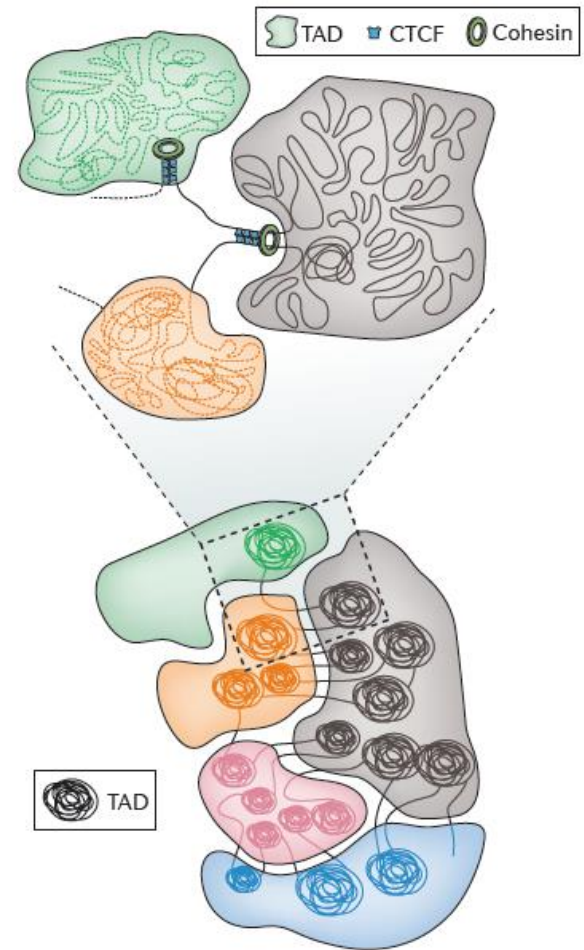
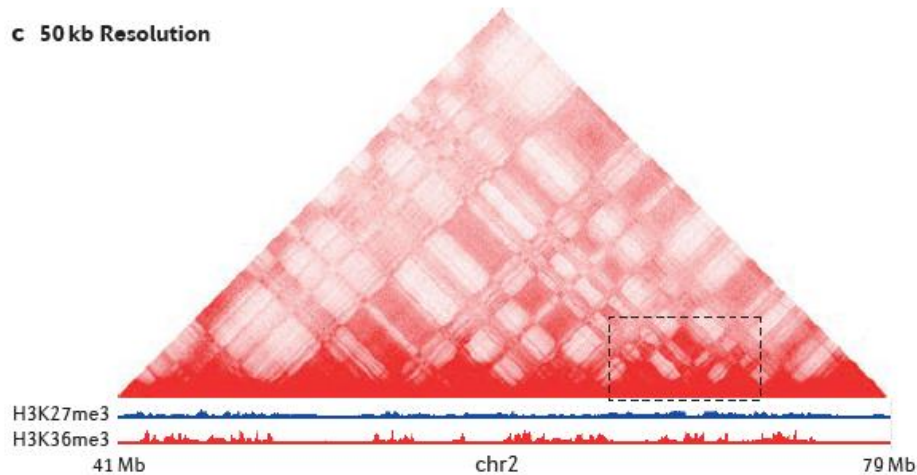
SWITCHES: about 20%

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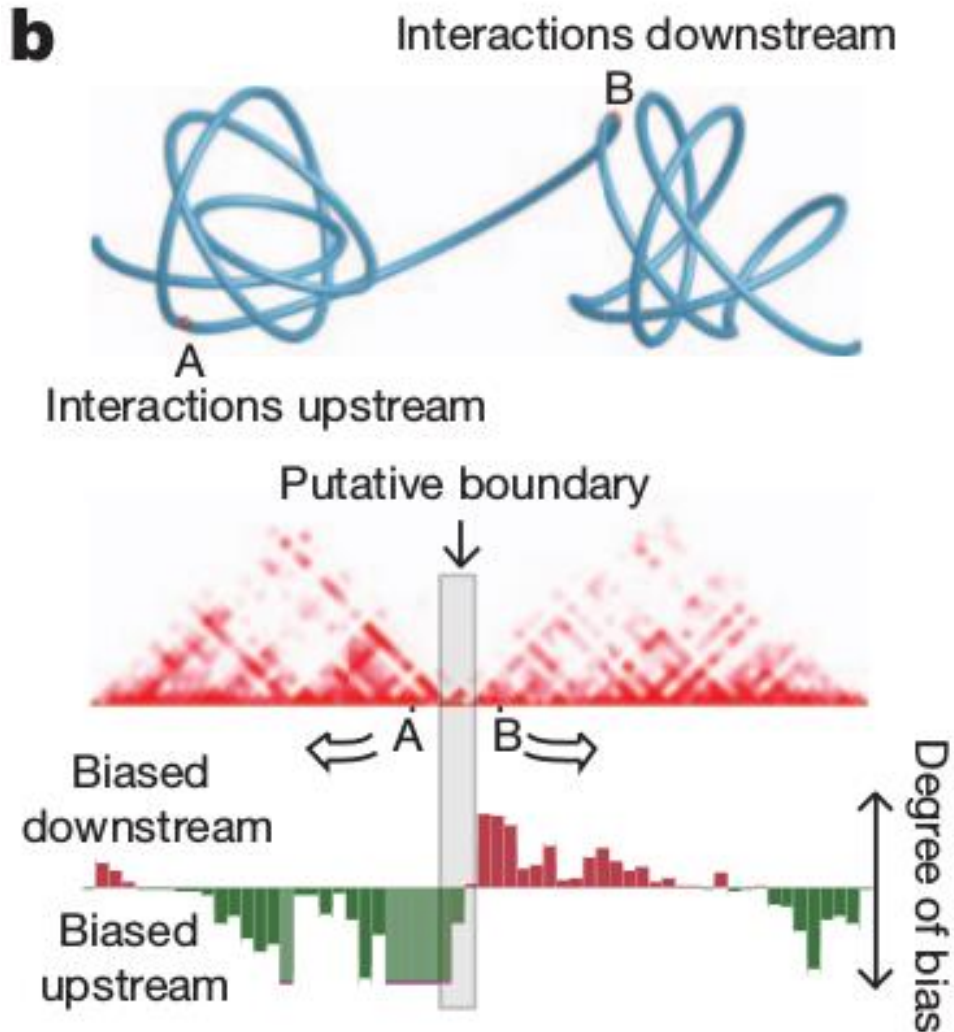
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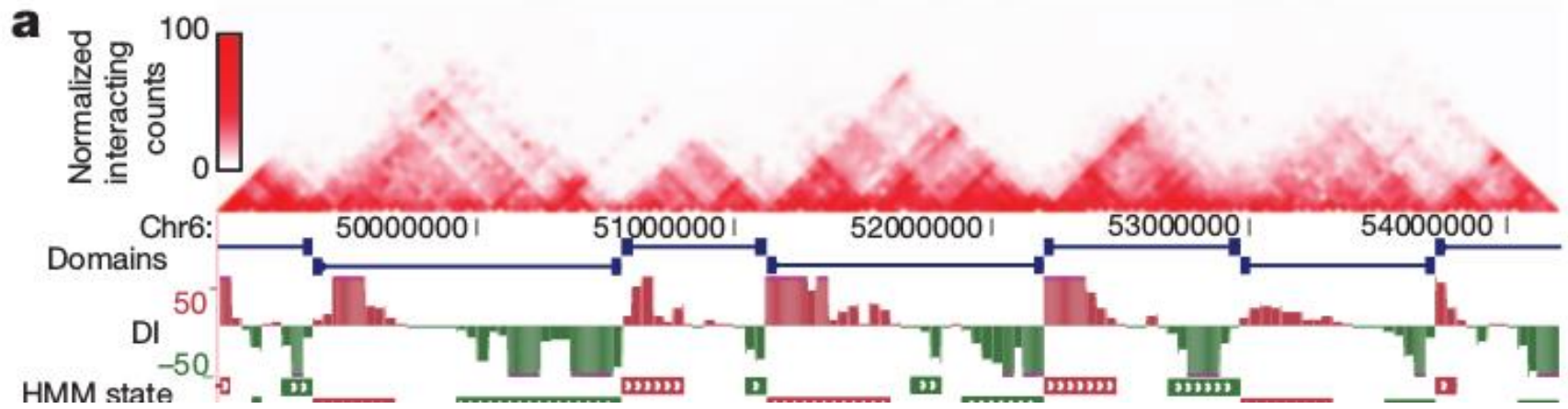


2. Identification of TADs



TADs are well detected using resolution (bins) smaller than 100kb

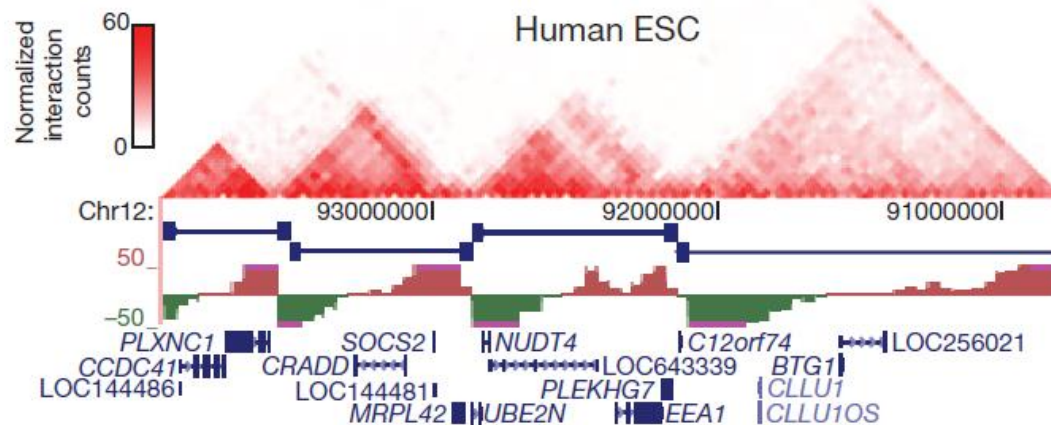
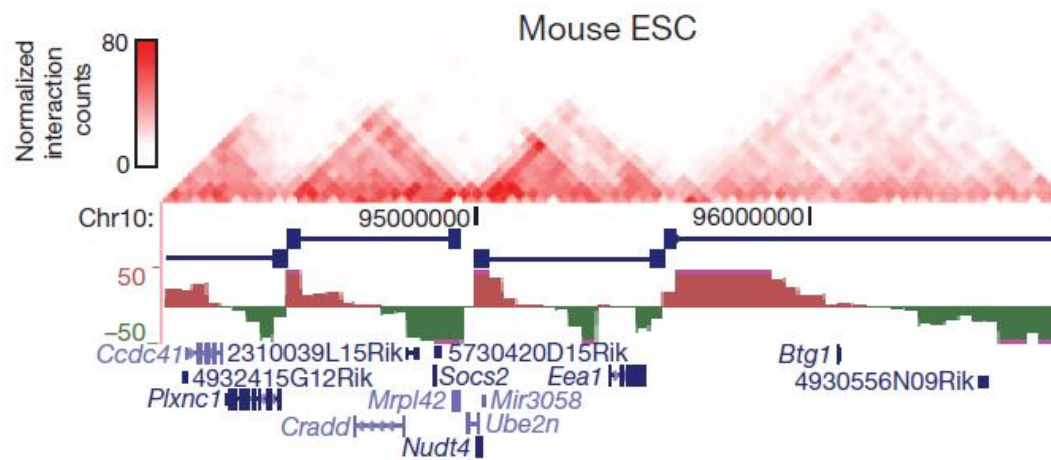
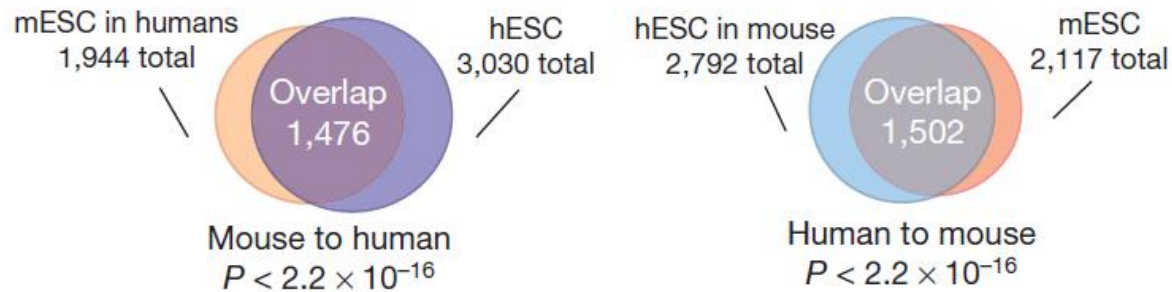
2. Identification of TADs: disequilibrium of interactions



from Dixon et al. 2012

TADs' size: between 0.1 to 1Mb

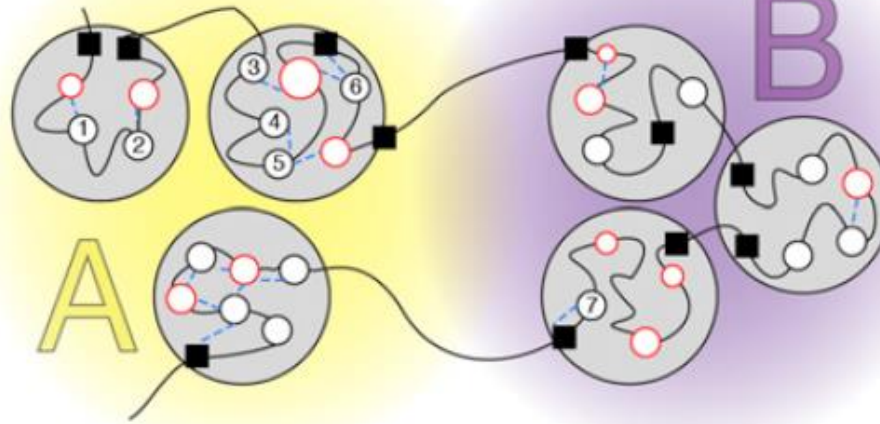
2. TADs are well conserved between species



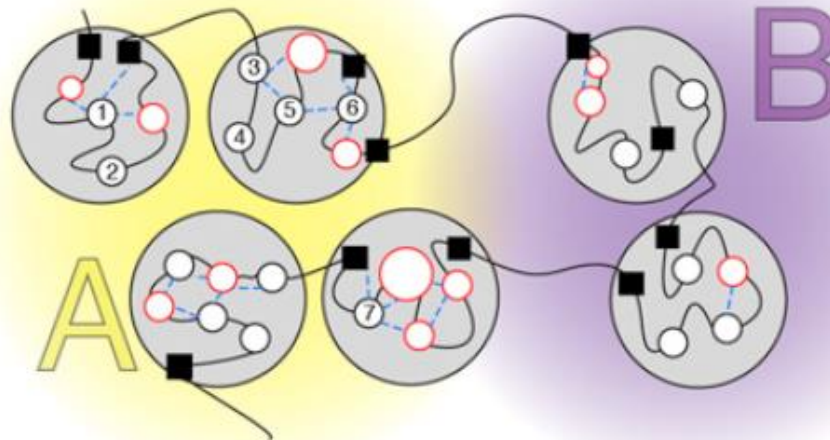
2. Balance between TADs and compartments

3D Genome

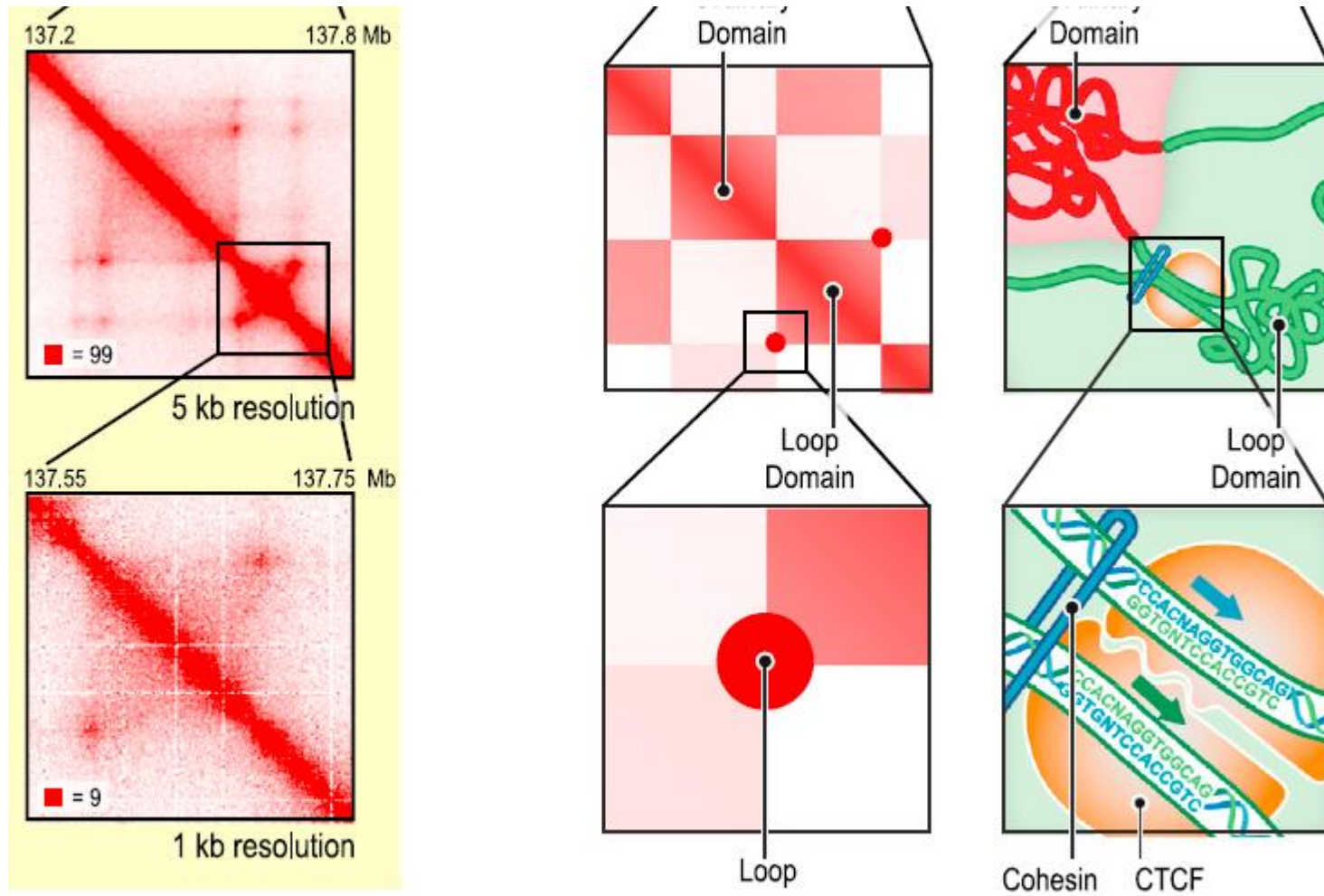
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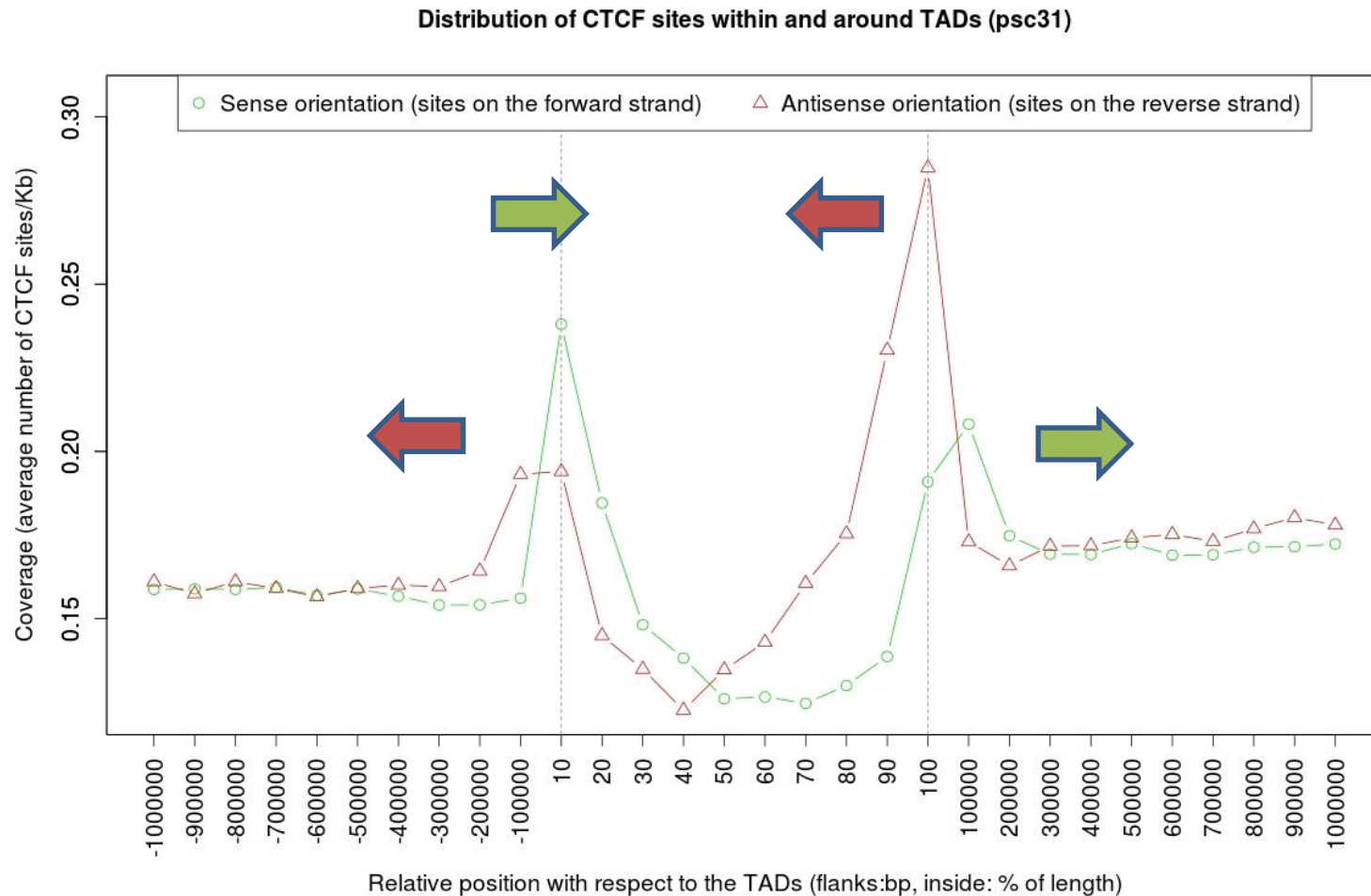
3. TADs boundaries



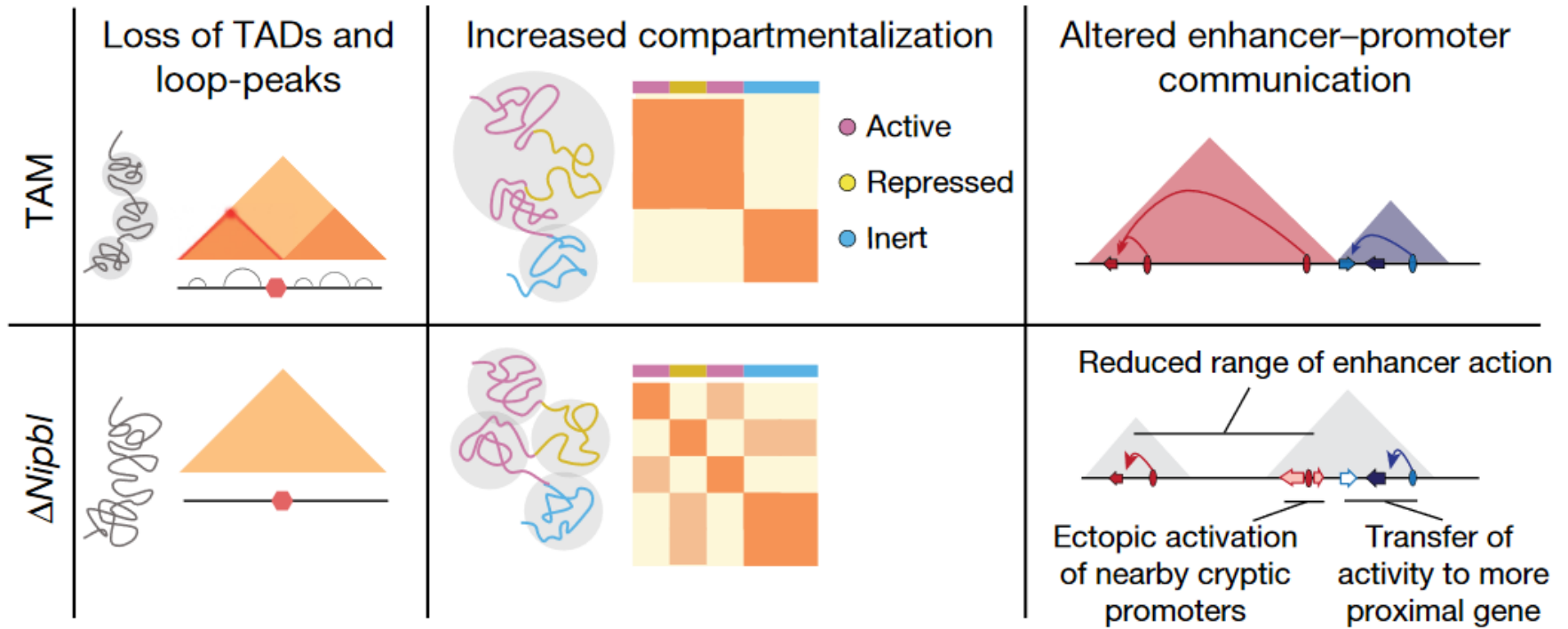
From Rao et al. 2014

3. TADs boundaries are enriched for CTCF binding sites

Comparative analysis of TADs with *in silico* predicted CTCF binding sites (whole genome)

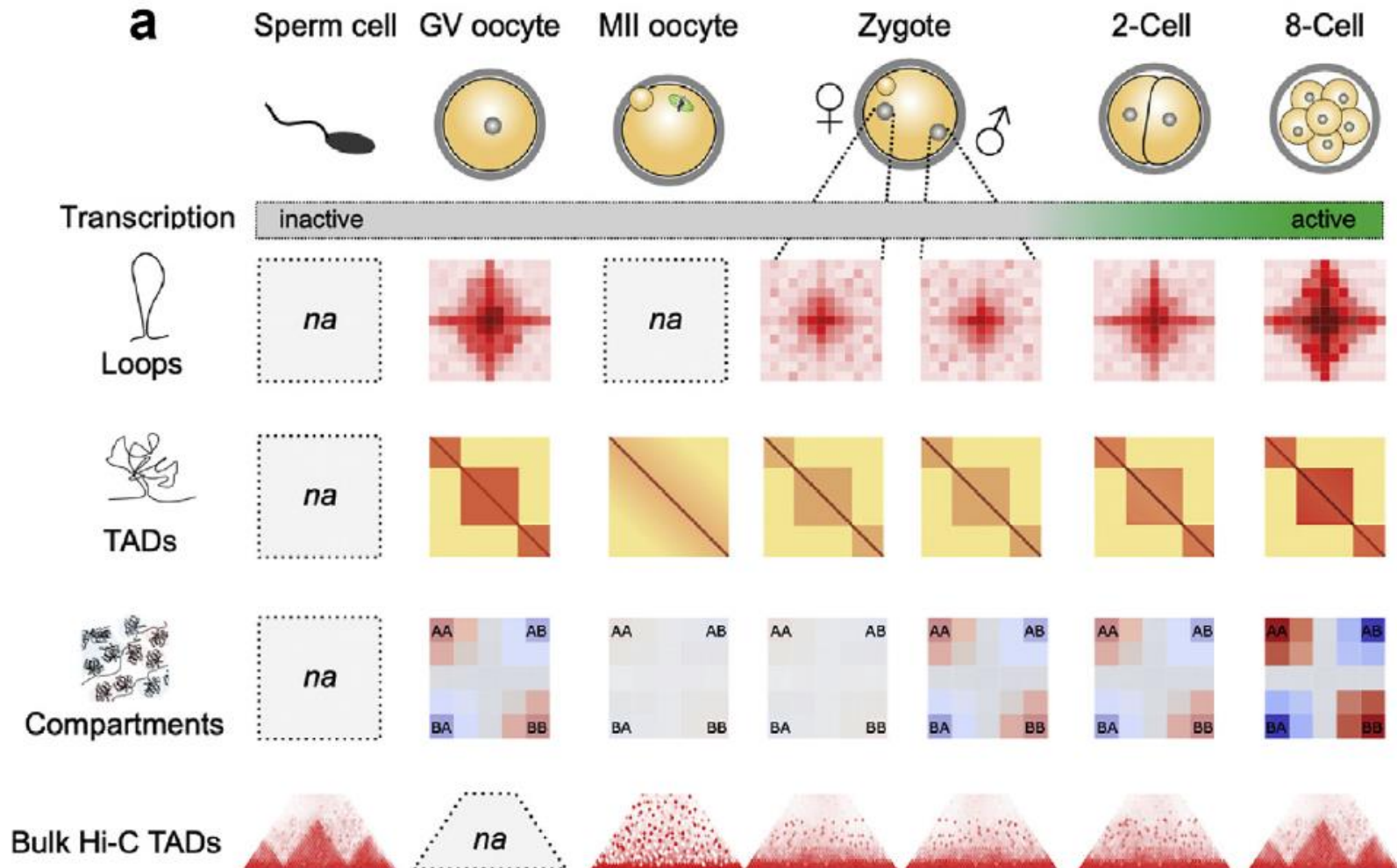


3. TADs boundaries required CTCF and cohesin

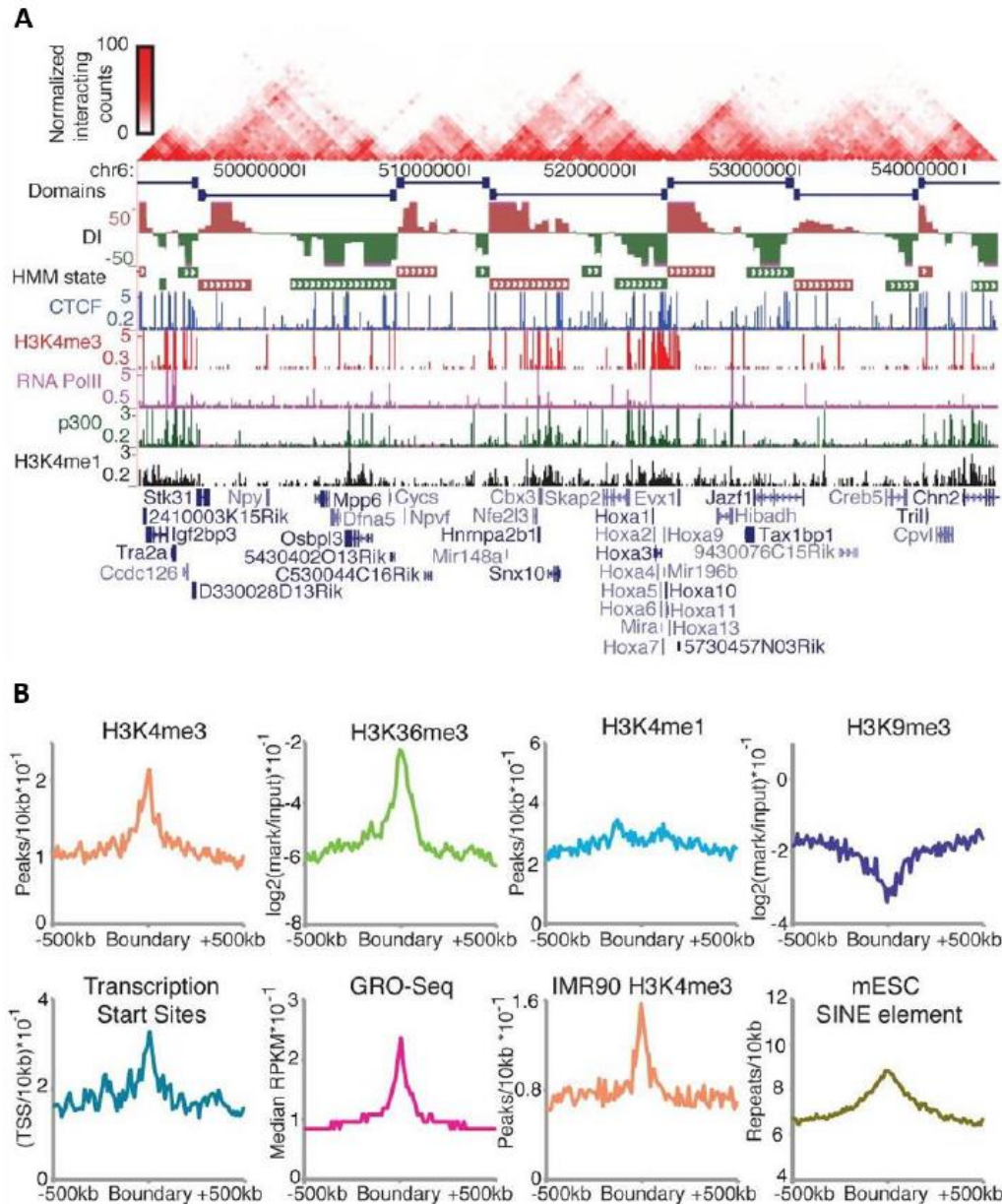


Schwarzer et al. 2017

3. TADs boundaries appear after ZGA

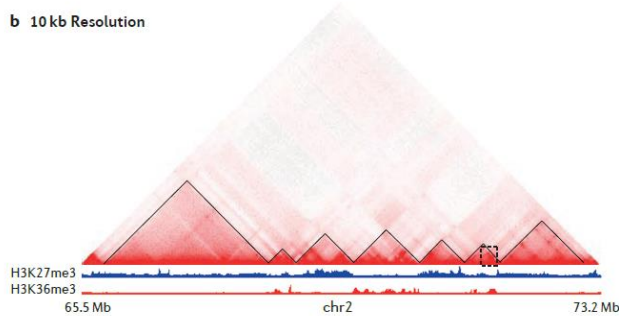


3. TADS boundaries are labeled by histone marks

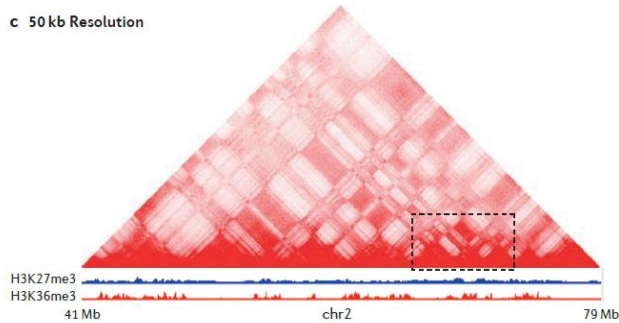


Functional annotations of spatial organization of genomes

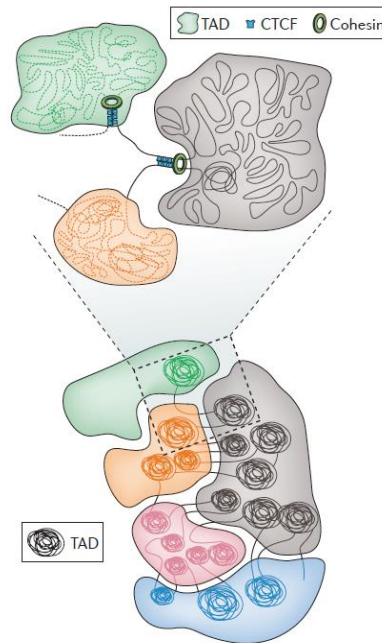
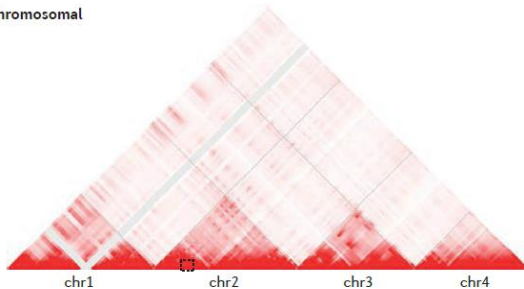
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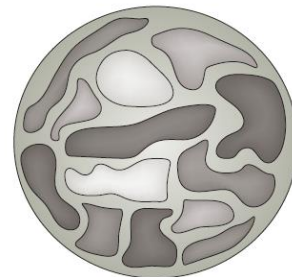


d Interchromosomal



Loops CTCF: TADs' border
(~10-20kb)

Topologically Associated Domains (TADs)
(~0.5Mb)

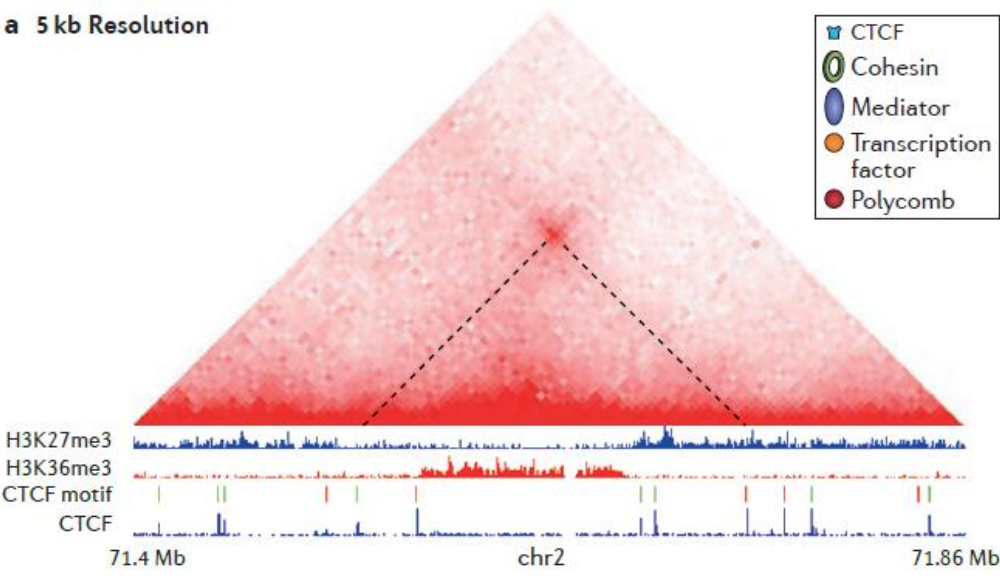


A & B Compartment
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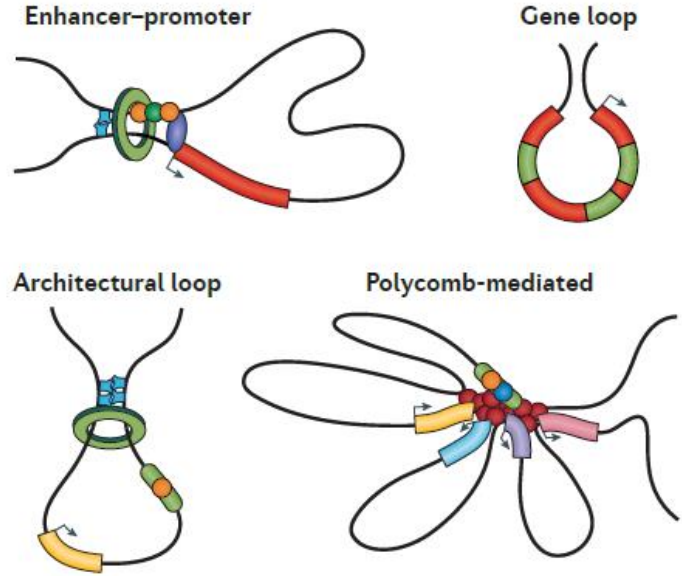
From Bonev & Cavalli 2016

4. Could we get spatial annotations at the kb resolution ?

a 5 kb Resolution



- CTCF
- Cohesin
- Mediator
- Transcription factor
- Polycomb



Getting such resolution is sequencing and resources consuming. For one mammalian sample, at 1kb resolution, more than 5G PE reads are needed.

4. Getting spatial annotations at high resolution

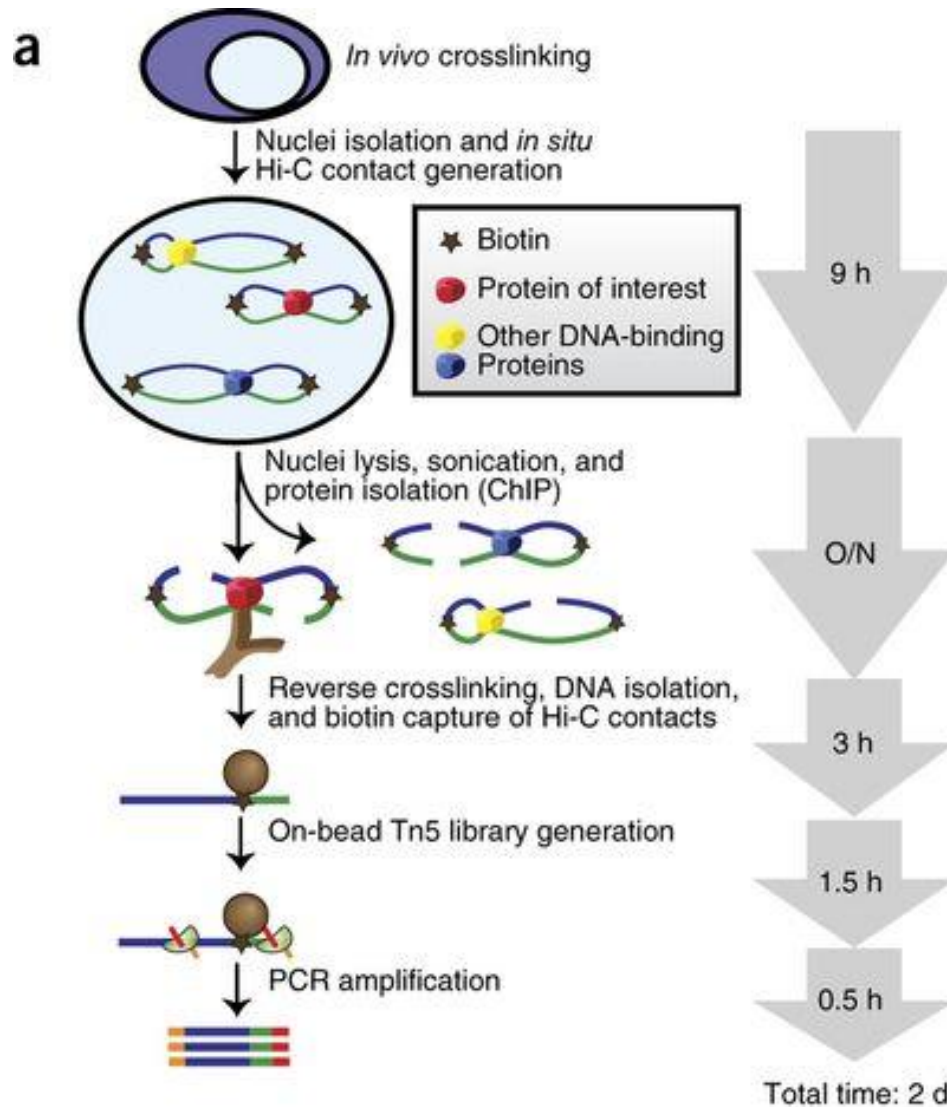
How to improve Hi-C resolution ?

By enriching in the information you need without sequencing all the information you are not interested in !!

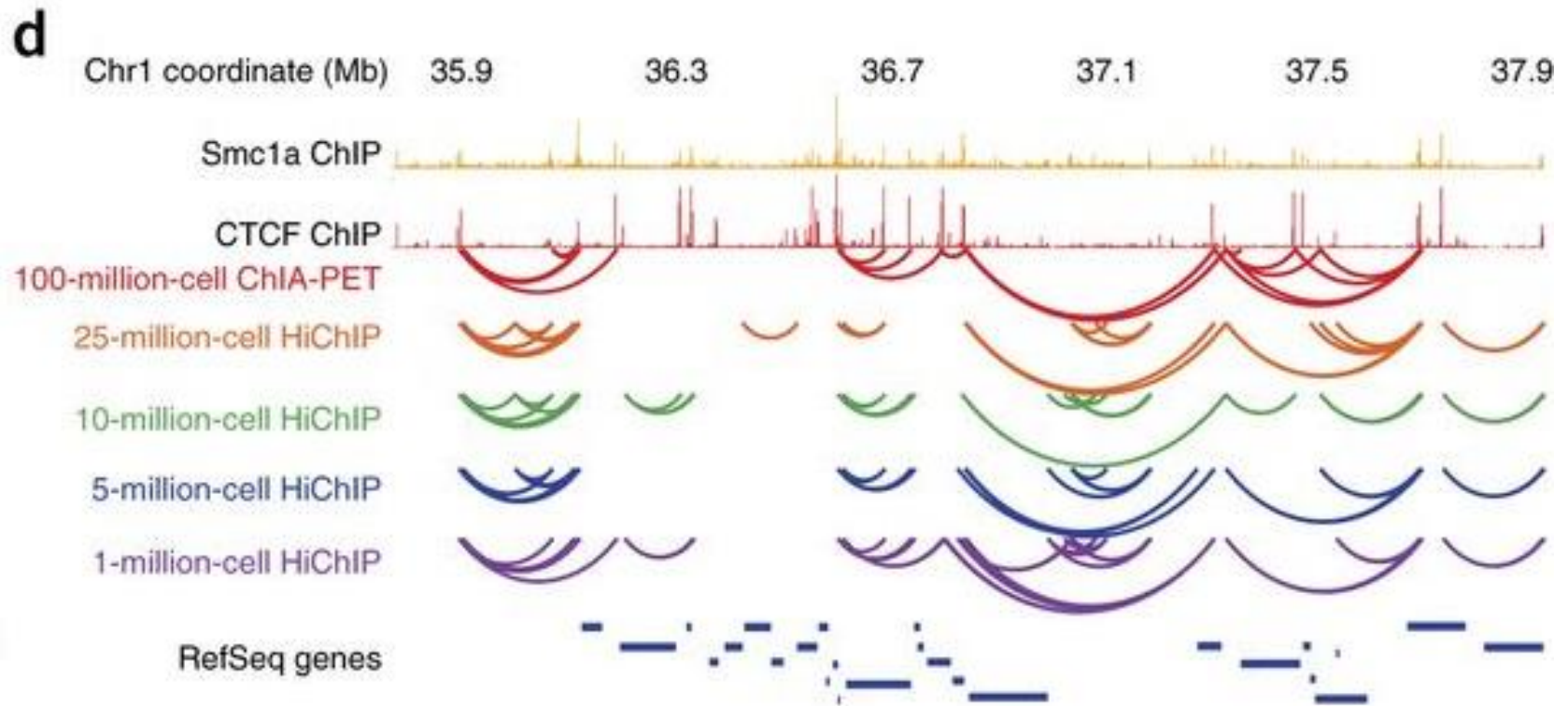
Two different way:

- Enriched for chromatin proteins – DNA complex of interests
- Capture genomic regions of interest

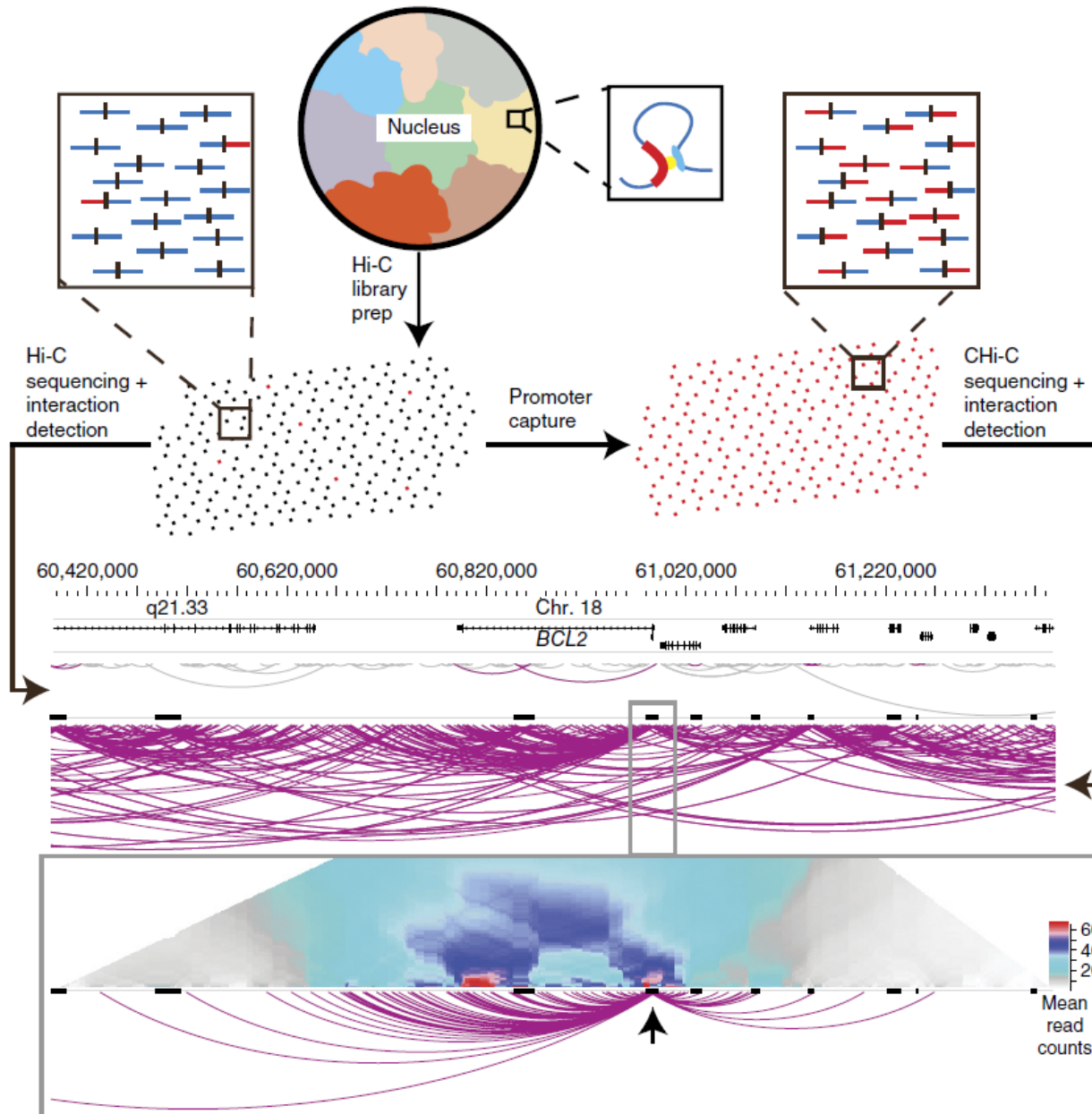
4. Capturing local interactions: PLAC-seq and Hi-ChIP



4. Capturing local interactions: PLAC-seq and Hi-ChIP



4. Capturing local interactions: Capture HiC



4. Capturing local interaction to analyse the link between Genotype to Phenotype

Resource

Cell

Lineage-Specific Genome Architecture Links Enhancers and Non-coding Disease Variants to Target Gene Promoters

Javierre et al. 2017

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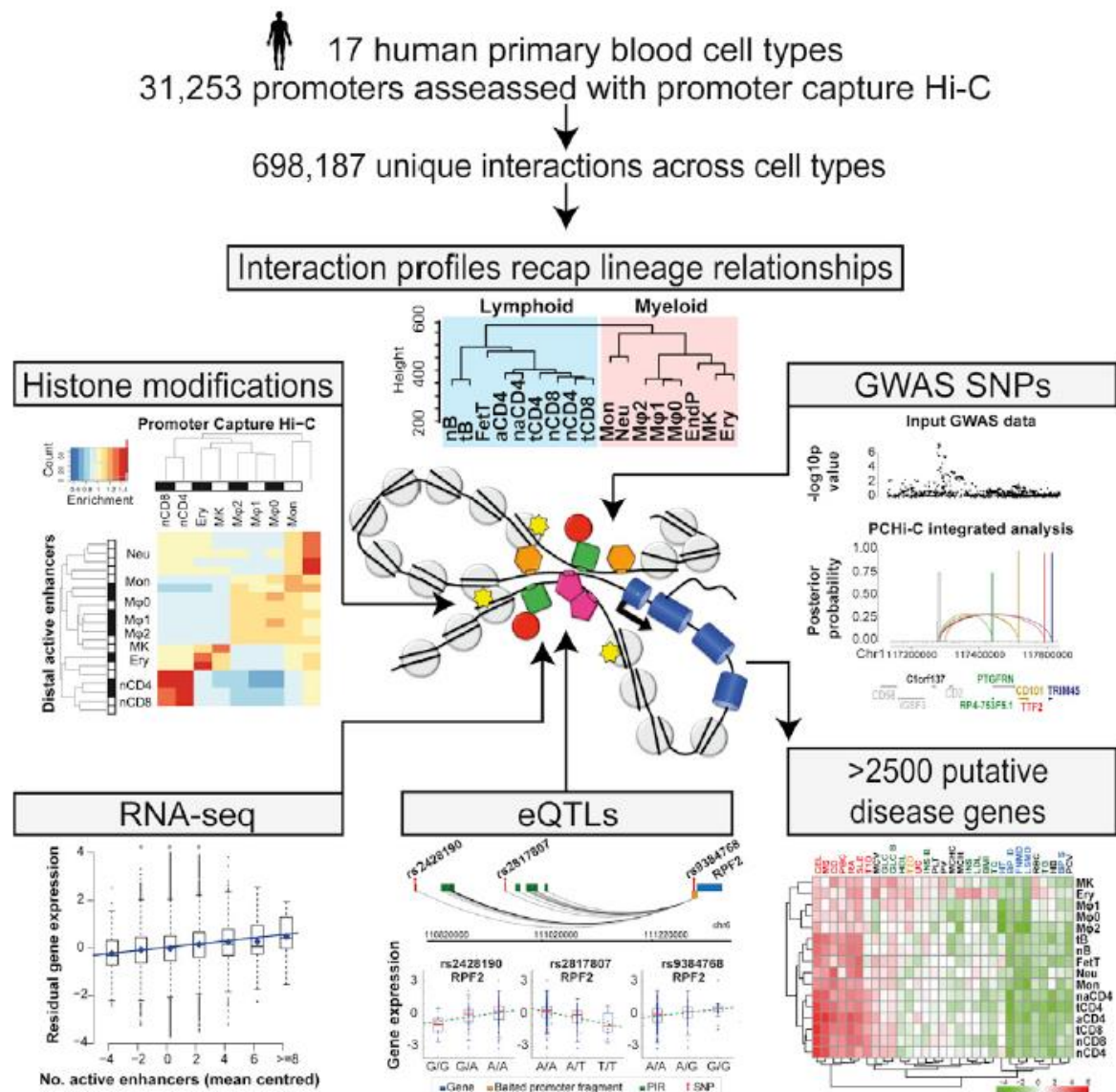
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Capture Hi-C identifies putative target genes at 33 breast cancer risk loci

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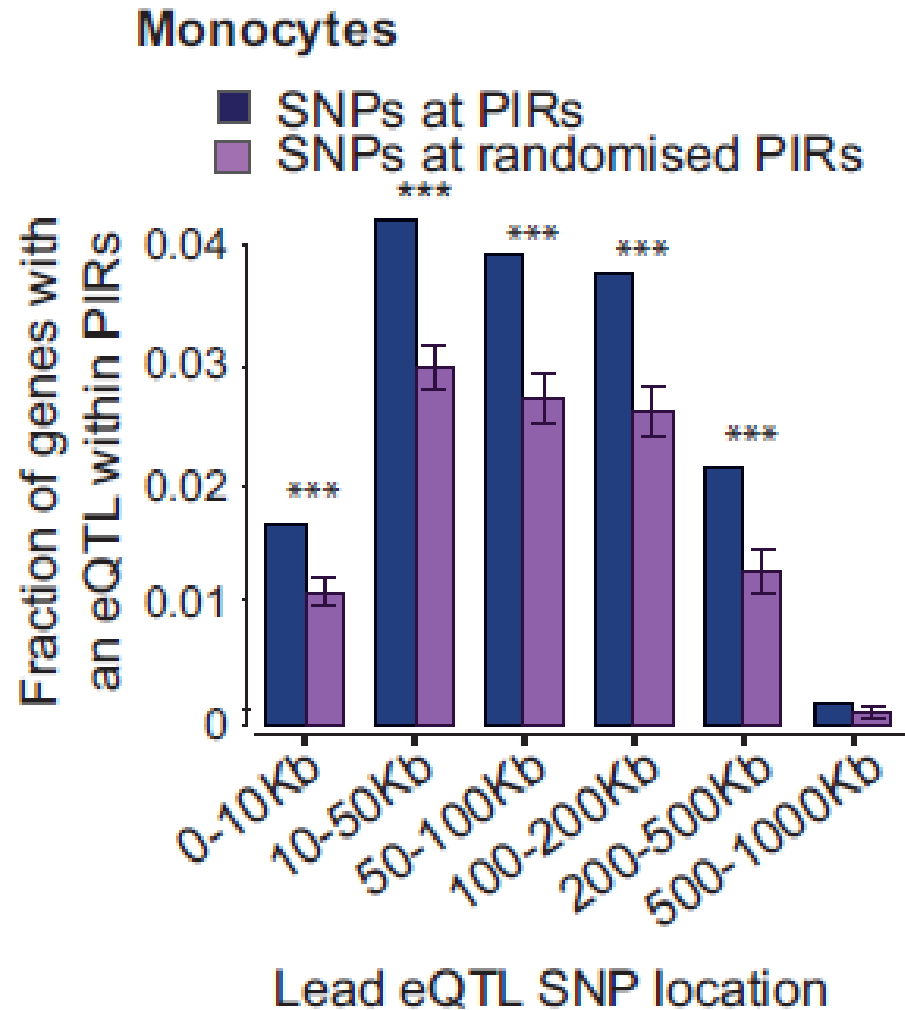
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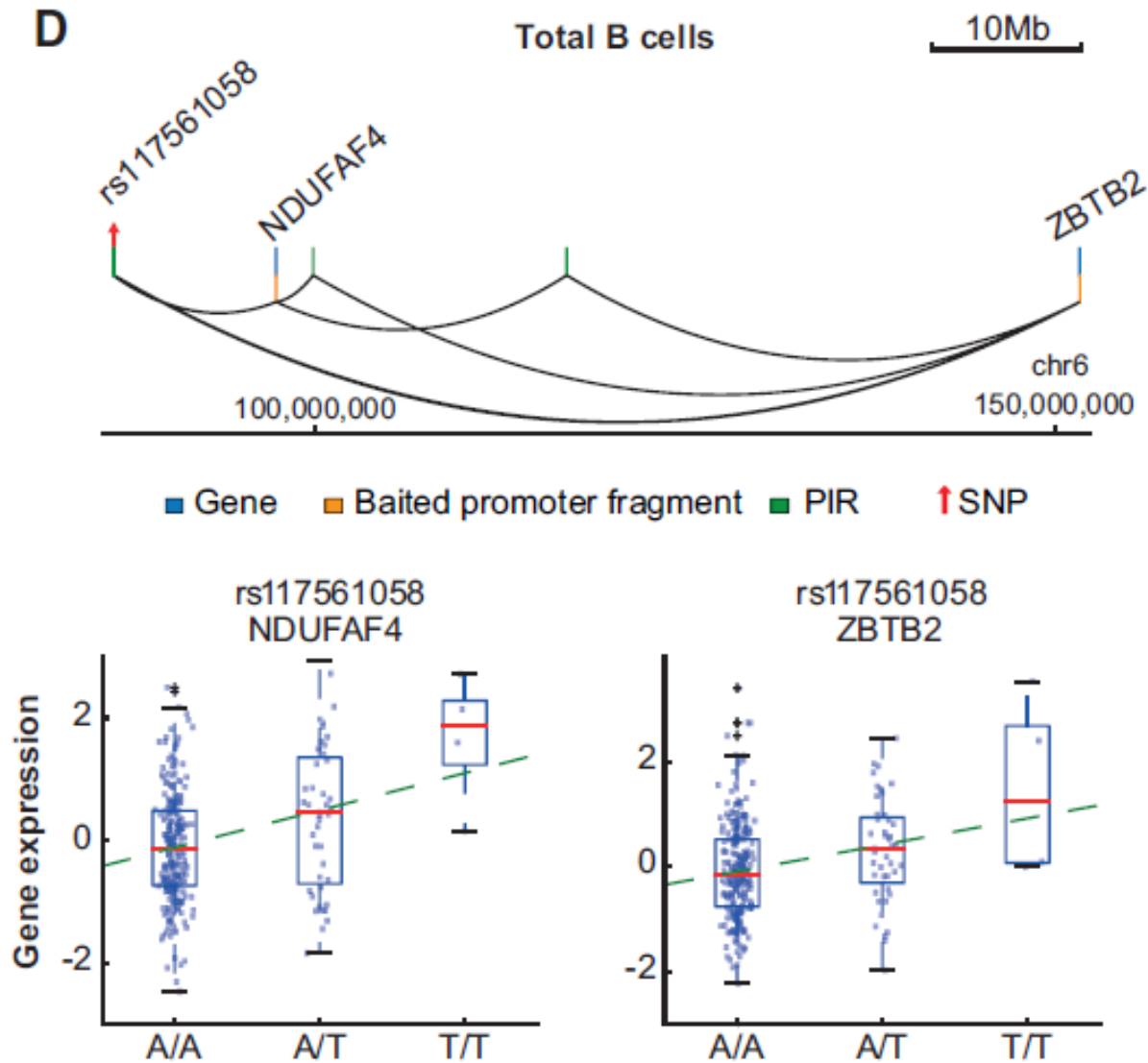
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SNPs are enriched at promoter interacting regions



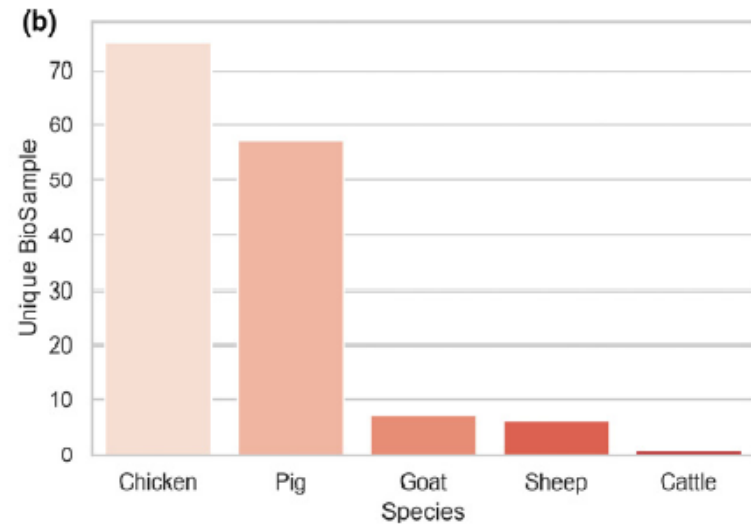
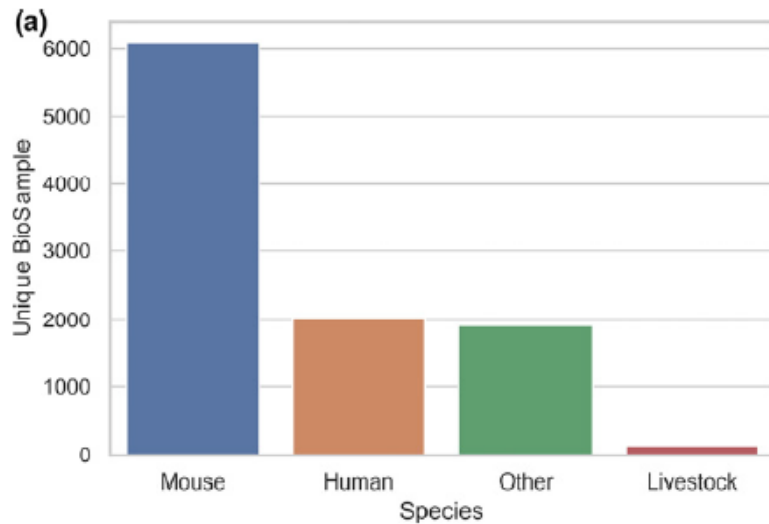
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SNPs at PIRs are associated with differential gene expression



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To date, really few datasets available (missing high resolution data).

Conclusions

Hi-C is a revolutionary technology allowing to decipher the function of spatial genome organization.

It provides key information, from basic knowledge to a wide range of applications.