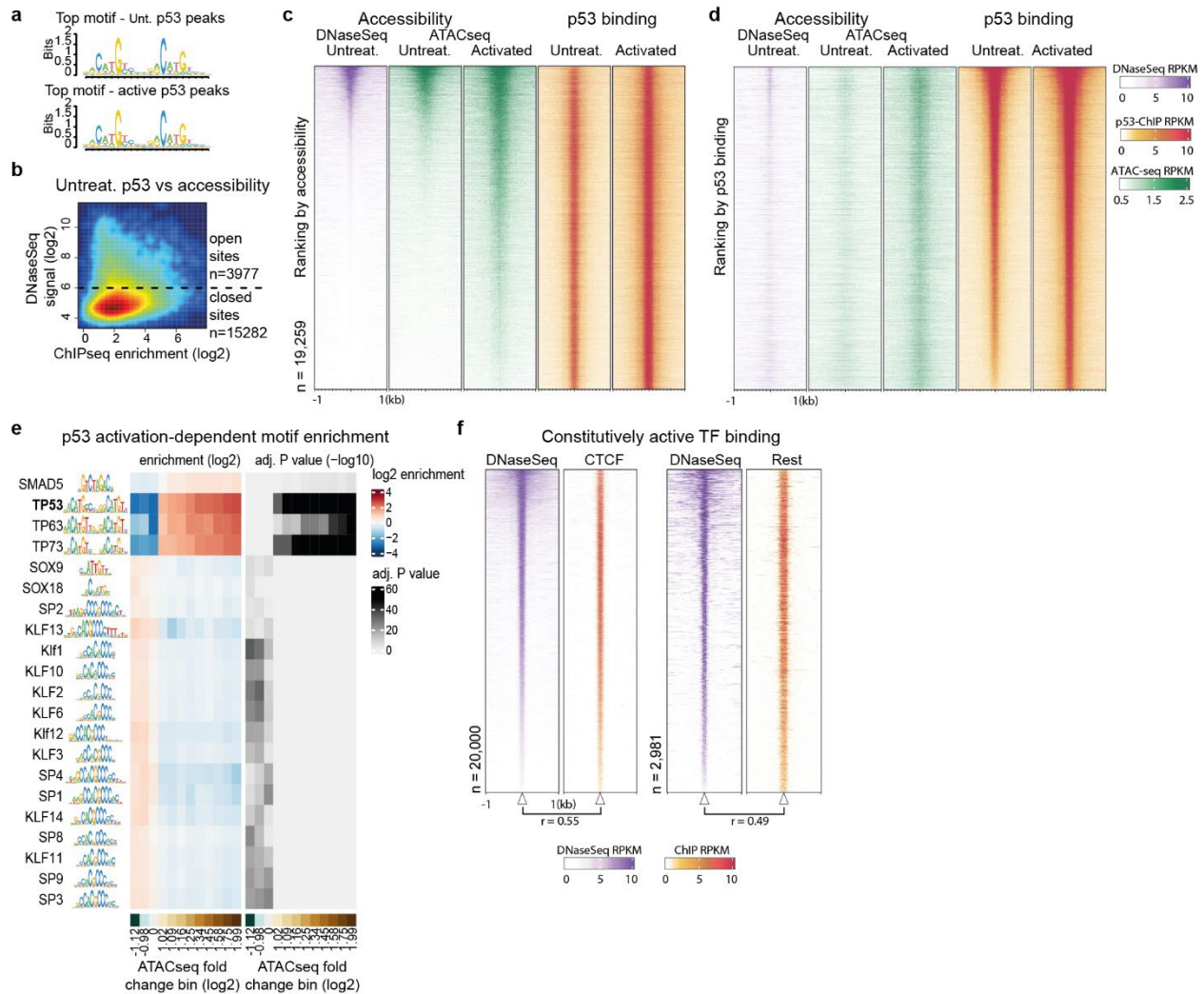


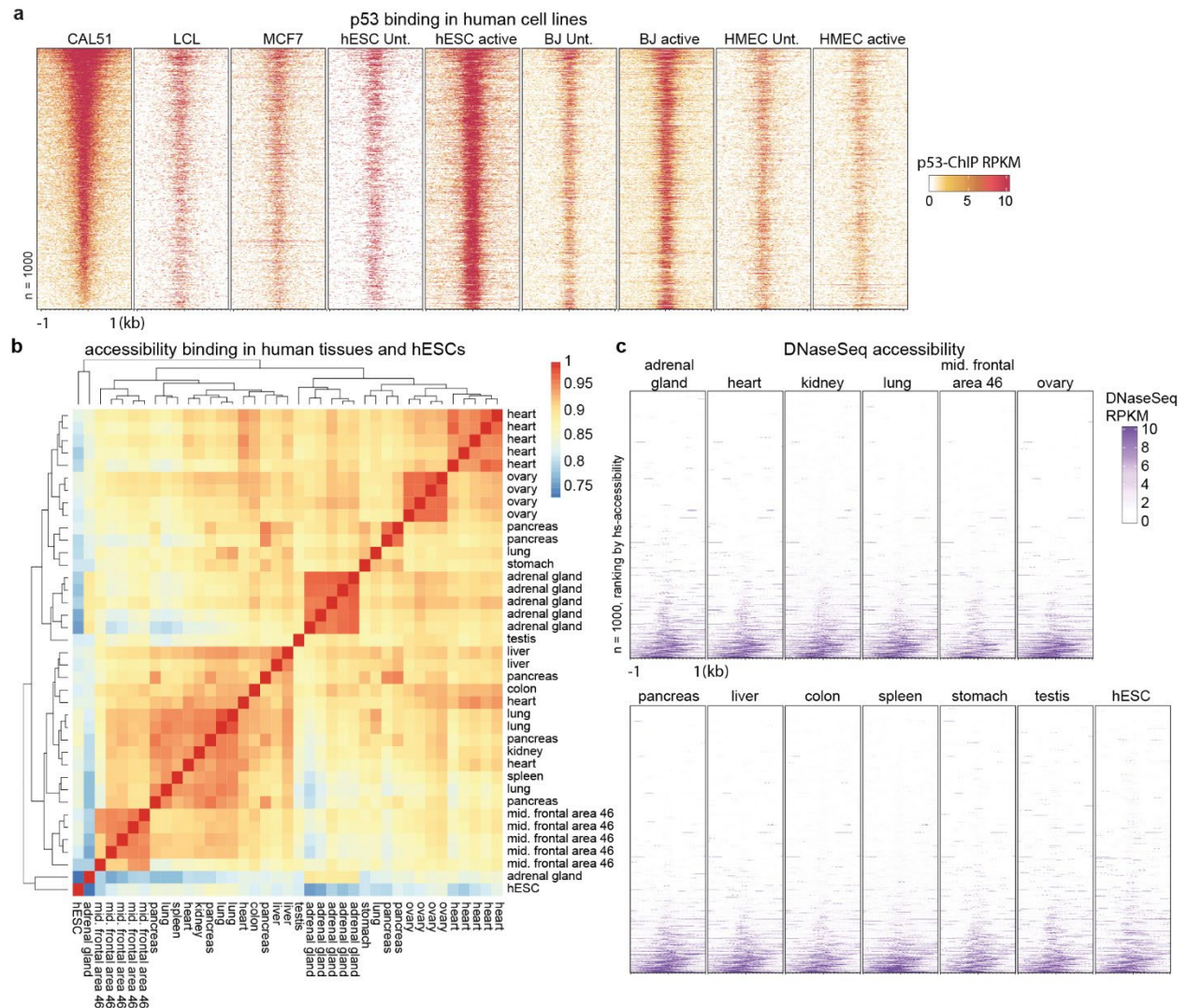


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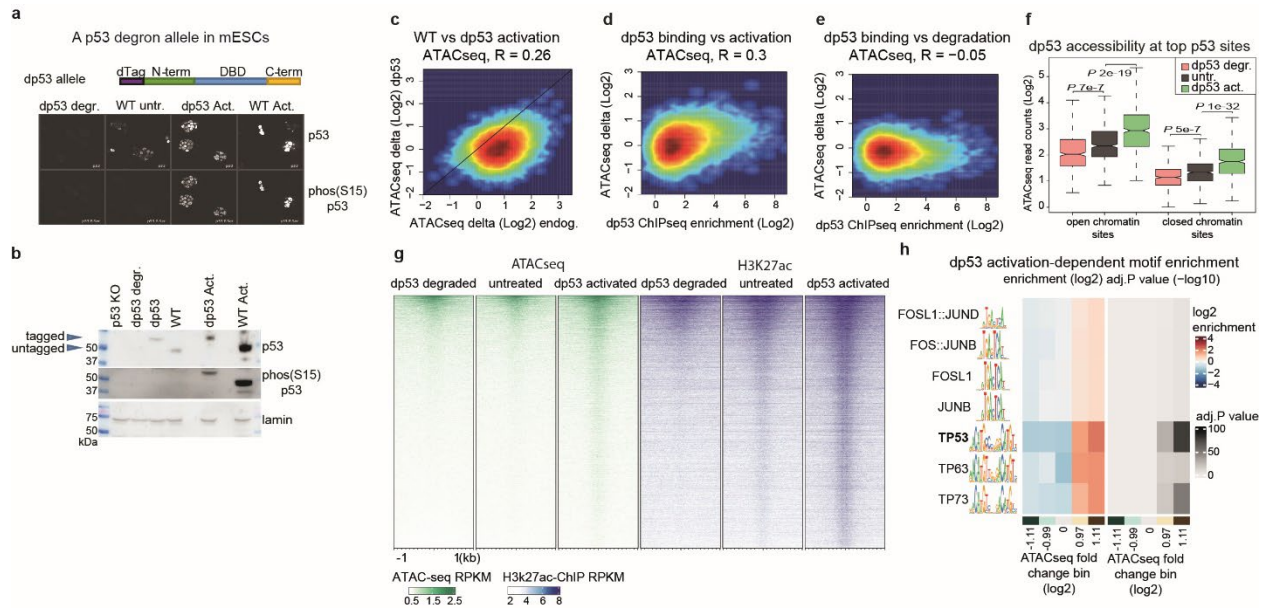
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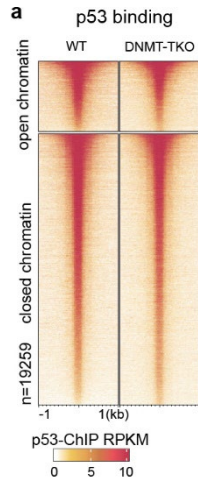
Supplementary Figure 1 | The p53 transcription factor binds closed and open chromatin sites in mESCs and can create accessible chromatin after activation. **a)** Motifs identified from the top 500 p53 ChIPseq peaks from either basal or active conditions using HOMER. **b)** p53 enrichment in basal mESCs compared to DNaseSeq accessibility signal (log2 normalized signal) in p53 peaks. Only a minority of bound sites demonstrate accessibility (> 6 log2 normalized DNaseSeq signal). **c)** Heatmaps of DNaseSeq, ATACseq and p53 binding under basal and active conditions at the joint set of p53 peaks and ranked by the DNaseSeq signal. **d)** As in **c**, except sites are ranked by the average of p53 ChIPseq enrichment in basal and active conditions. RPKM values are as indicated (right). **e)** Enrichment and significance of TF motifs in mESC ATACseq peaks binned by change in accessibility upon activation of p53 ($n=1500$ sites/bin), colour bar below indicates the minimum log2 fold change of ATACseq within each bin and centre zero fold-change bin. Shown are the top 21 enriched motifs with Fisher $-\log_{10} P$ adj. (Benjamini and Hochberg-adjusted) > 4 and log2 enrichment > 0.5 . **f)** Heatmaps of DNaseSeq, CTCF and REST binding in mESCs as shown for the top enriched 20K CTCF sites and REST sites ($n=2981$), respectively. Binding of both TFs correlates well with DNaseSeq, Pearson correlation coefficients and RPKM values are as indicated (below).



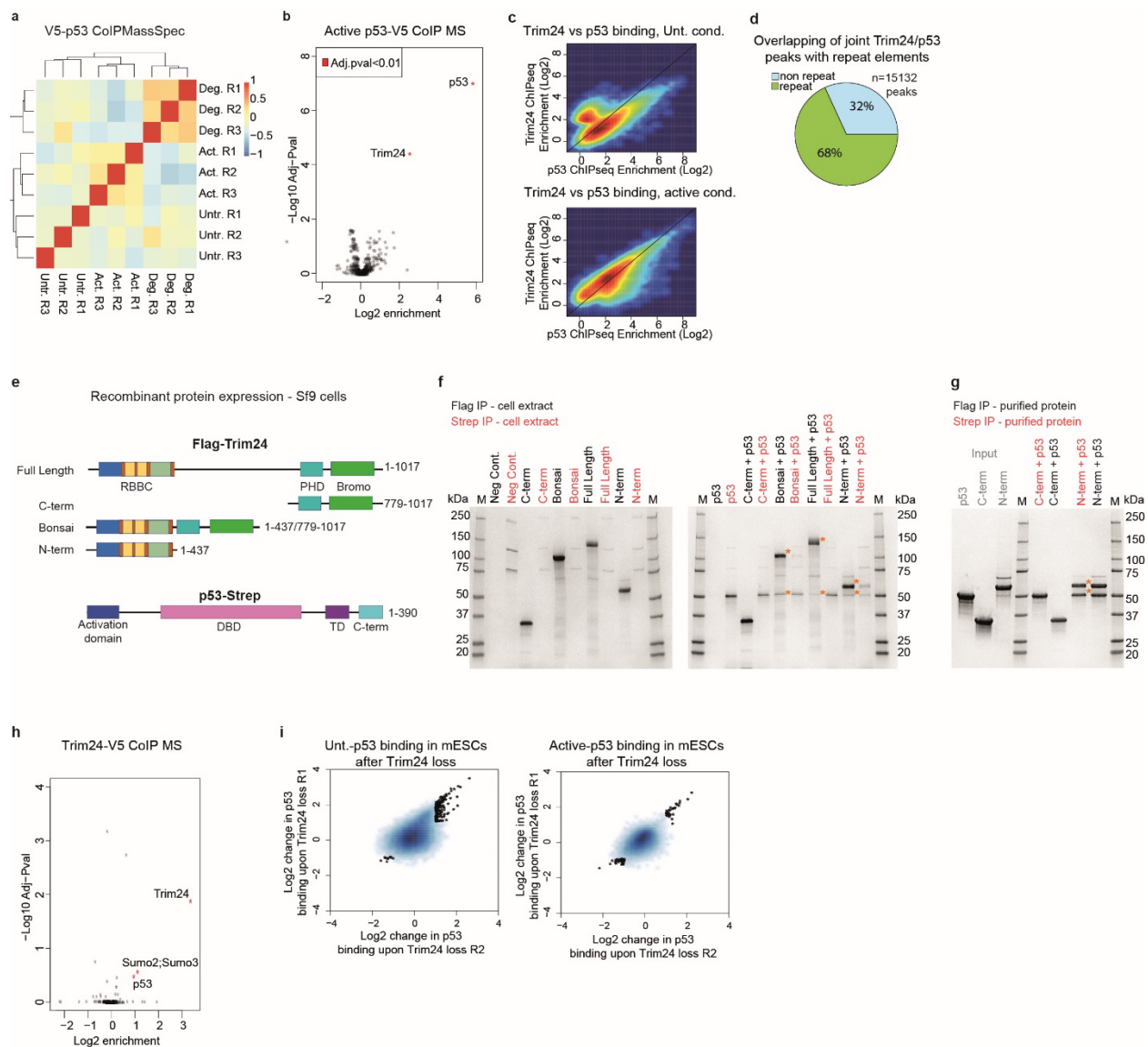
Supplementary Figure 2 | p53 binds sites located both at closed and open chromatin regions in human tissues and hESCs. a) Heatmaps of ChIPseq at top p53 peaks and ranked by signal across all datasets. RPKM values are as indicated (right). **b)** Correlation-based clustering of publicly available tissue and hESC DNaseSeq datasets, at the top 1000 p53 binding peaks. Tissue-source for each dataset and Pearson correlations on log2 normalized signal are as indicated. **c)** Heatmaps of DNaseSeq data from human tissues and hESCs. Averages are shown for datasets originating from the same tissue type, with RPKM values as indicated (right).



Supplementary Figure 3 | A degron tag system for rapid removal of p53 from mESCs. **a**). Schematic of *p53* with the V5 and dTag (FKBP12^{F36V}) sequences inserted into the endogenous gene, generating a *dp53* allele. Shown underneath are immunofluorescence visualizations of dp53 and WT p53, with either a total p53 antibody or a S15 phosphorylation p53- antibody (S18 in the mouse) specific to active p53. **b**) Western blot of p53 or p53-S15phosphorylation in *p53* knockout (KO) cells, dp53 either degraded, in basal or activated conditions and WT p53 in basal or activated conditions. Lamin serves as a loading control. Basal levels of dp53 are roughly equivalent to the WT allele and increase upon activation, though less-so than that of the activated WT allele. **c**) A comparison of the log2 increase in ATACseq signal in the dp53 line and WT mESCs upon stress induction, with Pearson correlation indicated. Sites that increase in accessibility in the WT p53 line tend also to increase in the dp53 line. **d**) ChIPseq enrichment in the dp53 line against ATACseq change upon activation or **e**) degradation, compared to basal ATACseq signal. Highly bound sites tend to increase upon activation. **f**) ATACseq signal in the top 500 binding sites for the dp53 allele ($n=500$) that are either in open or closed chromatin in the parental mESC line (\log_2 DNaseSeq signal >6). Two-sided Student's t-test P value indicated. Centre median to first/third quartile, whiskers to 1.5 multiplied by interquartile range. **g**) Heatmaps of ATACseq and H3K27ac ChIPseq under degraded, untreated and active conditions, at the joint set of p53 binding peaks and ranked by the average signal across datasets. RPKM values are as indicated (below). **h**) Enrichment and significance of TF motifs in sites binned by change in accessibility ($n=1000$ sites/bin) upon activation of dp53, from all ATACseq peaks in mESCs, colour bar below indicates the minimum log2 fold change of ATACseq within each bin and centre zero fold change bin. Shown are motifs with Fisher $-\log_{10} P$ adj. (Benjamini and Hochberg-adjusted) > 4 .

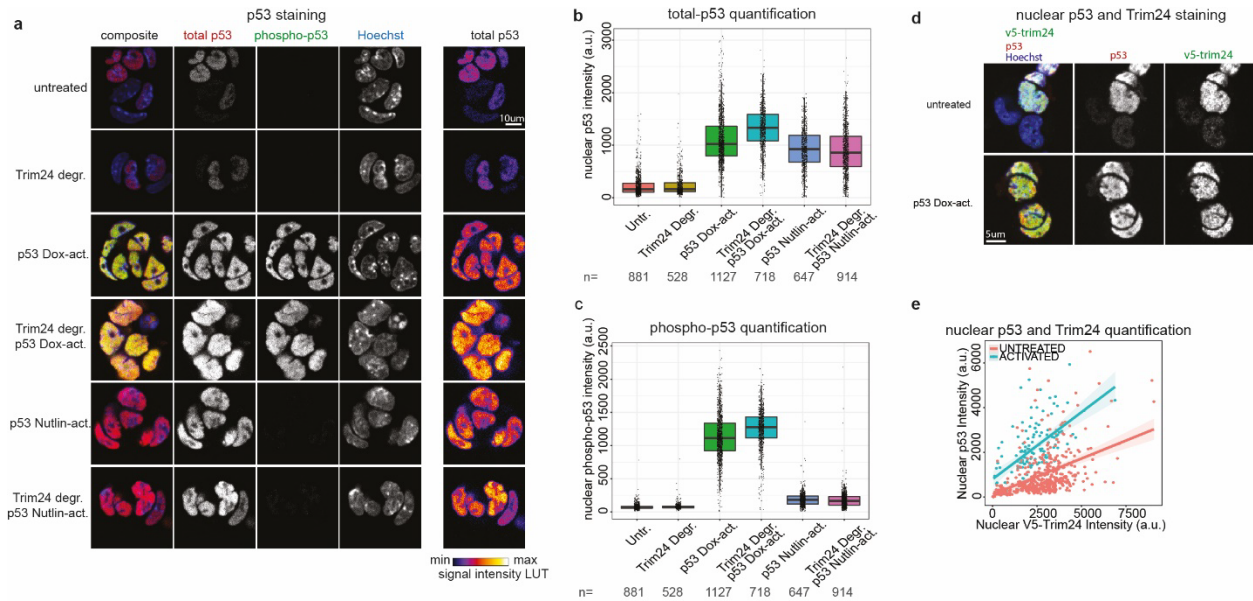


Supplementary Figure 4 | DNA methylation does not explain diverse chromatin binding of p53 in mESCs. a) Heatmaps of p53 ChIPseq from WT or DNMT-TKO cells at p53 peaks and separated by sites that are either in open or closed chromatin in the parental WT line (\log_2 DNaseSeq norm. enrichment >6). Sites are ranked by average binding signal and RPKM values are as indicated (below).

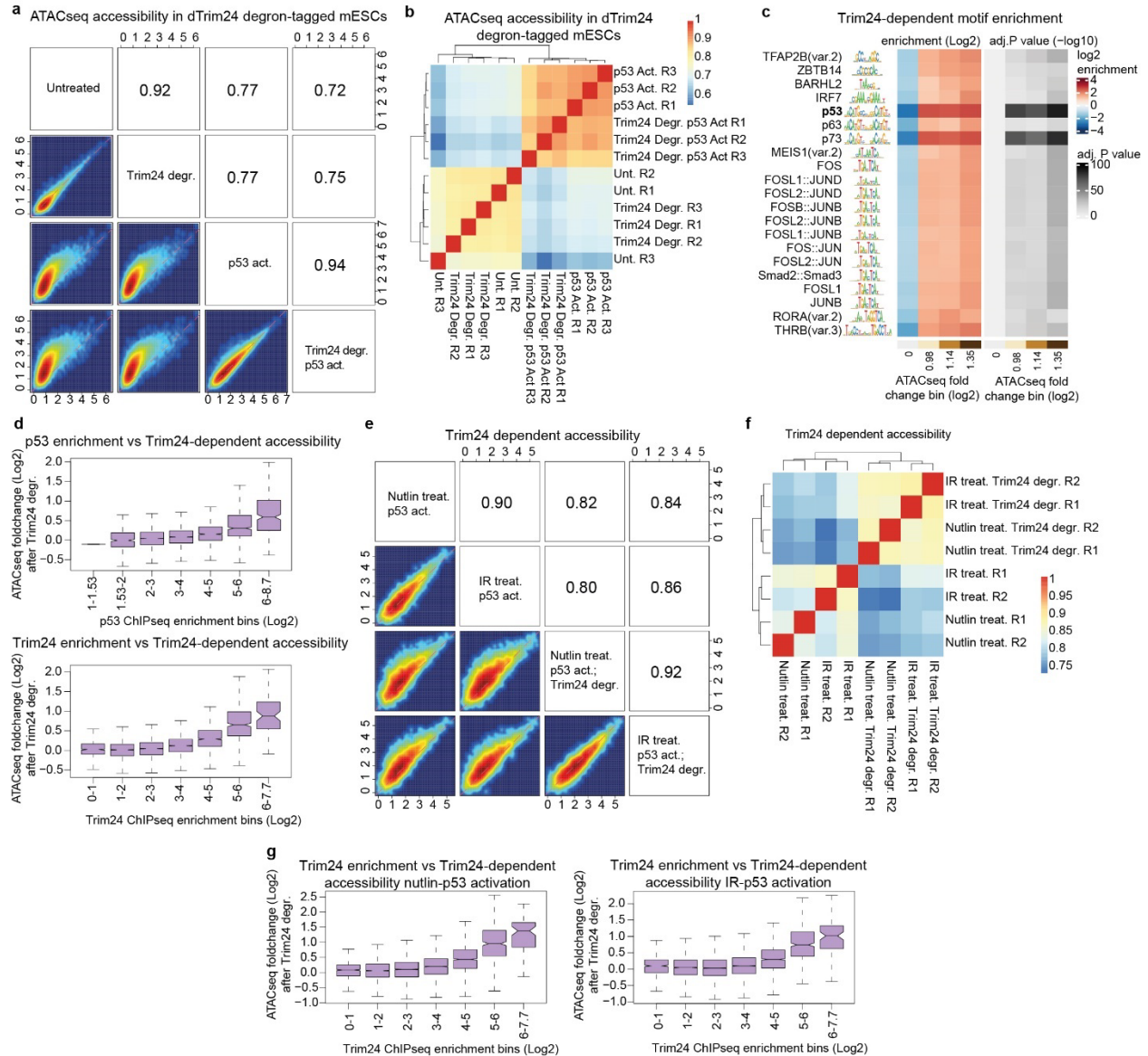


Supplementary Figure 5 | p53 recruits Trim24 to the genome in mESCs. **a)** Correlation-based clustering of mass spectrometry-identified proteins upon V5-pulldown in the dp53 degron-tagged line, under degraded, untreated or active-p53 conditions. Pearson correlations are as indicated. **b)** V5-tagged p53 CoIP enriches for both p53 and Trim24 proteins under p53-active conditions. Shown are log2 enrichments over the negative control dataset where p53 is degraded. Indicated in red are proteins with BH-adjusted two sided eBayes p-value < 0.01. **c)** The log2 enrichments of p53 and Trim24 at the combined set of Trim24 and p53 peaks (n= 29871), either in basal (top) or p53-active (bottom) conditions. The majority of sites are well-bound in both conditions, while a subset of p53 sites show relatively low Trim24 enrichments. **d)** The overlap between co-bound Trim24-p53 peaks and repetitive elements (LINES, SINES, LTRs etc.) in the genome. **e)** Domain constructs of Flag-tagged Trim24 or Strep-tagged p53 used for expression in Sf9 cells with breakpoints indicated. **f)** Lysate immunoprecipitation of Trim24 (via Flag) or p53 (via Strep) from Sf9 cells expressing various Trim24 constructs (left), or co-expression p53 and various Trim24 constructs (right). Cells expressing p53 and Trim24 including the N-terminal portion co-immunoprecipitate, as indicated by banding patterns (red asterisk). **g)** Immunoprecipitation of purified recombinant p53 and Trim24 N- and C-terminal constructs. The N-terminal portion of Trim24 co-

immunoprecipitates with p53, as indicated by banding patterns (red asterisk). **h)** V5-tagged Trim24 CoIP enriches for p53 and Trim24 proteins under p53-active conditions. Shown are log₂ enrichments over the negative control dataset where p53 is degraded, indicated in red are proteins with as much significance and enrichment as p53. **i)** Delta-delta plots showing the reproducibility of log₂ changes in p53 binding upon degradation of Trim24. A small number of p53-bound sites "*" trends towards differential enrichment (≥ 2 -fold in replicates datasets) in either basal (n=161) or active (n=69) conditions, with most increasing upon Trim24 loss.

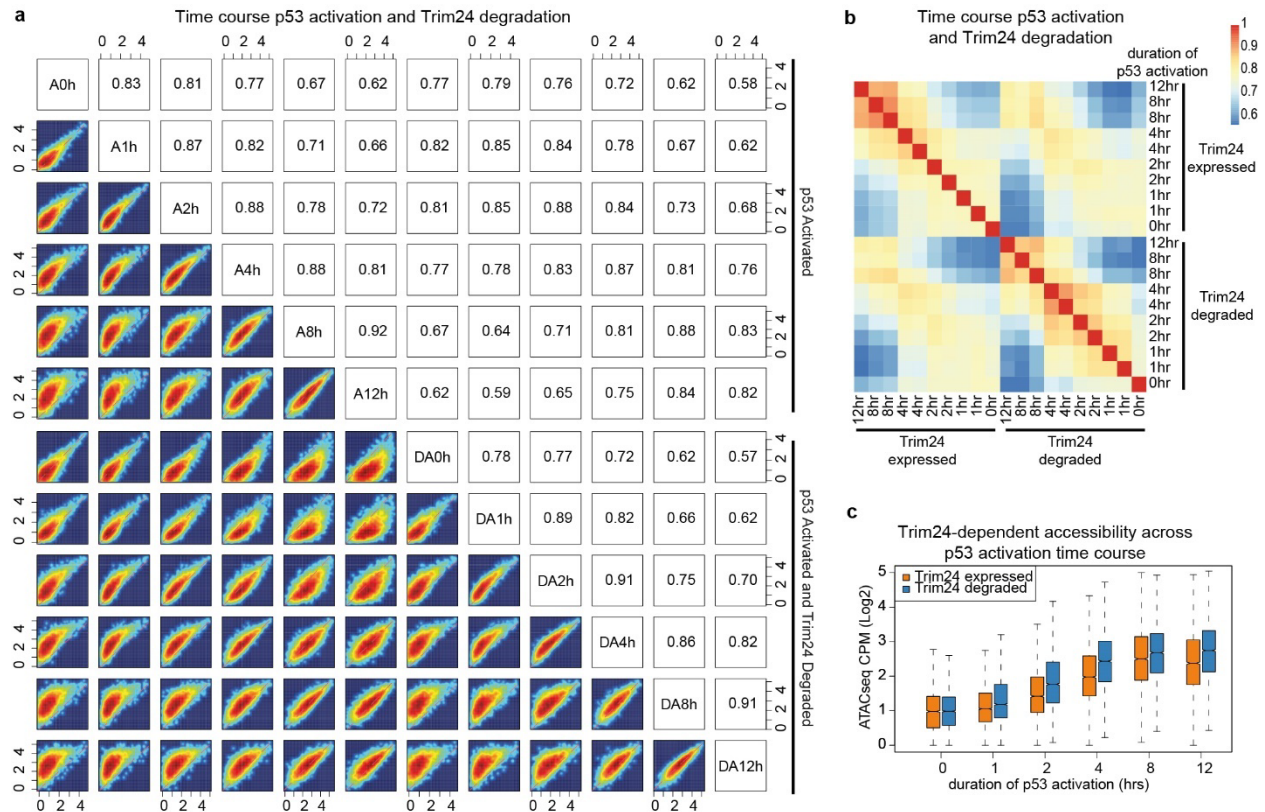


Supplementary Figure 6 | Immunofluorescence analysis of p53 and Trim24 in mESCs. **a)** Immunofluorescence visualizations of either total p53 or active S15 phosphorylation-specific p53 in the dTrim24 degron-tag line, in basal and p53-activated conditions and upon Trim24 degradation. Both doxorubicin-Dox (1µM) and nutlin3a-Nutlin (20µM) mediated activation of p53 are shown with representative images. **b)** Quantification of immunofluorescence signal in **a**, for both total and **c)** S15 phosphorylation-specific p53. a.u., arbitrary units. Number of cells measured are indicated below. Centre median to first/third quartile, whiskers to 1.5 multiplied by interquartile range. **d)** Visualization of either total p53 or Trim24 in the dTrim24 degron-tag line, shown are representative images. **e)** Nuclei-quantification of immunofluorescence signal in **d**, demonstrating p53 levels scale with Trim24 levels within cells, for both untreated (n=457 cells) and p53-activated (n=138 cells) conditions. Trend line indicates average signal, shading indicates 0.95 confidence interval. a.u., arbitrary units.

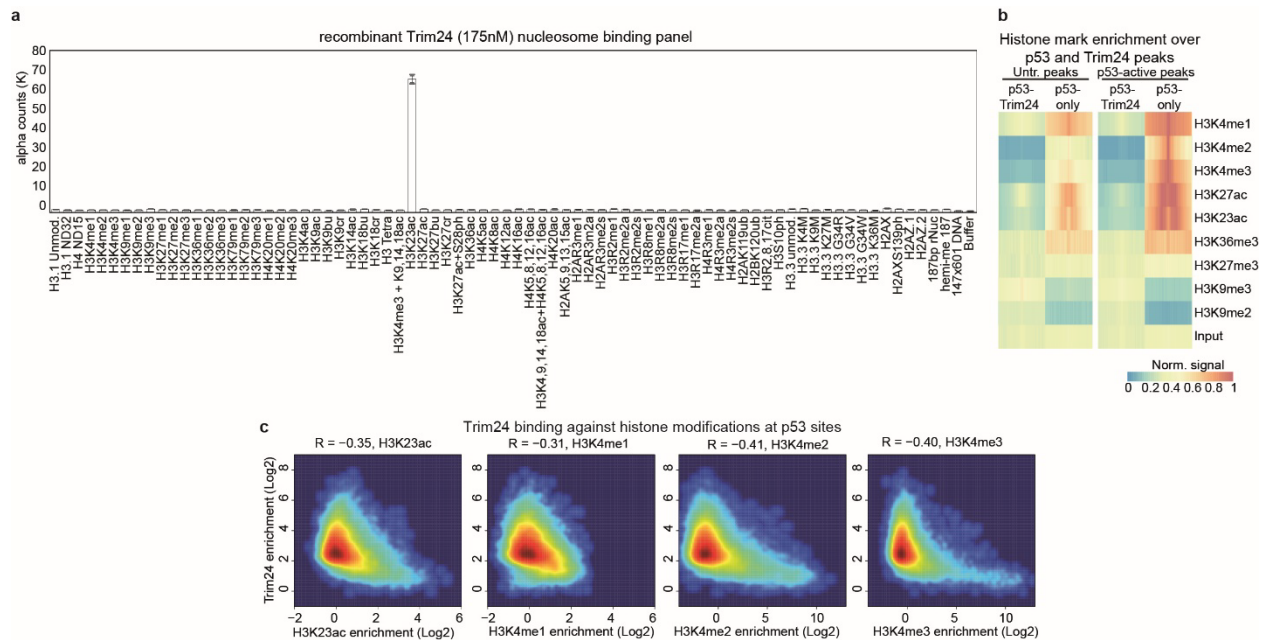


Supplementary Figure 7 | Trim24-dependent accessibility at p53 binding sites. **a**) ATACseq signal (log2 CPM) in the dTrim24 degron-tagged line, in basal and activated conditions, at the set of Trim24 ChIPseq peaks in active-p53 conditions (n=19031 sites). Shown are the average normalized signal from three replicates per condition. Pearson correlation coefficients are indicated. **b**) Correlation-based clustering of ATACseq signal in the dTrim24 degron line at the set of Trim24 peaks in active-p53 conditions. Replicates (R1/R2/R3) cluster together under p53-active conditions where Trim24-loss has an effect on p53 sites. Pearson correlations are as indicated. **c**) Enrichment and significance of TF motifs in sites binned by change in accessibility upon degradation of Trim24 in p53-active conditions (n=200sites/bin), from all mESC ATACseq peaks (n~200K), colour bar below indicates the minimum log2 fold change of ATACseq within each bin and centre zero fold change bin. Shown are the top 21 enriched motifs with Fisher $-\log_{10} P$ adj. (Benjamini and Hochberg-adjusted) > 4 . **d**) Change in ATACseq signal (average log2 values from triplicate experiments) upon Trim24 loss in p53 active conditions, at p53-peaks and binned by increasing p53 ChIPseq enrichment (top) or Trim24 ChIPseq enrichment (bottom). Centre median to first/third quartile, whiskers to 1.5 multiplied by interquartile range. **e**) ATACseq signal (log2 CPM) in the dTrim24 degron line, at the set of p53 peaks in active-p53 conditions (n=18833 sites) and upon p53 activation with either

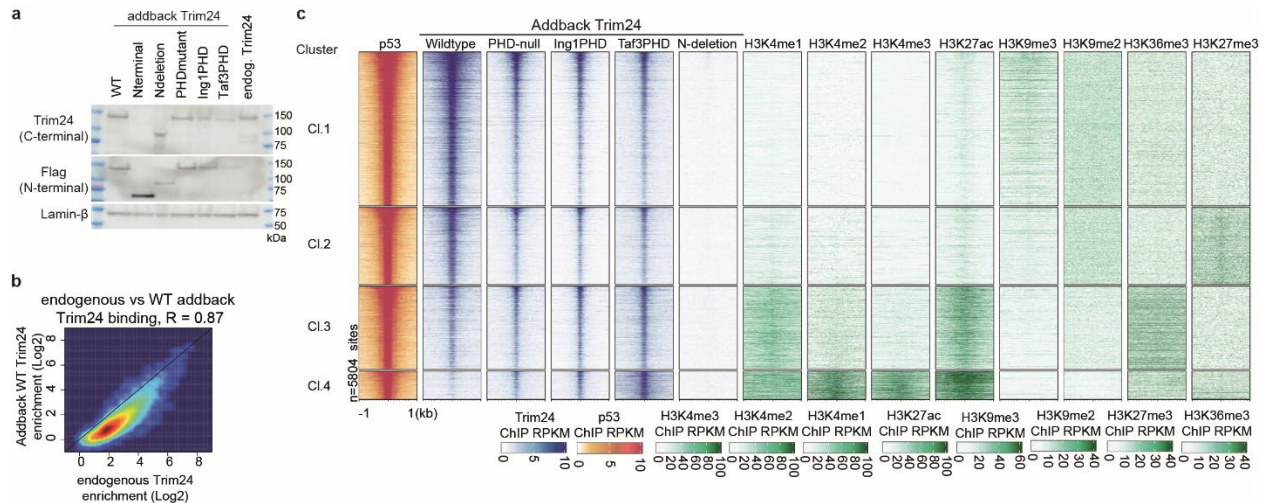
nutlin3a treatment (20uM) for 4 hours or ionizing radiation (IR) (60Gy) and left for 4 hours. Shown are the average normalized signal from two replicates per condition. Pearson correlation coefficients are indicated. **f)** Correlation-based clustering of ATACseq signal in the dTrim24 degron line upon p53 activation with either nutlin3a or irradiation and Trim24 degradation, for strong Trim24 binding sites, i.e., > 3.5-fold log₂ Trim24 ChIPseq enrichment (n=3341 sites). Replicates cluster with Trim24-expression, rather than p53 activation method. Pearson correlations are as indicated. **g)** Change in ATACseq signal (average log₂ values from duplicate experiments) upon Trim24 loss and p53 activation with either nutlin3a (left) or irradiation (right) for 4 hours, at p53-peaks and binned by increasing Trim24 ChIPseq enrichment. Centre median to first/third quartile, whiskers to 1.5 multiplied by interquartile range.



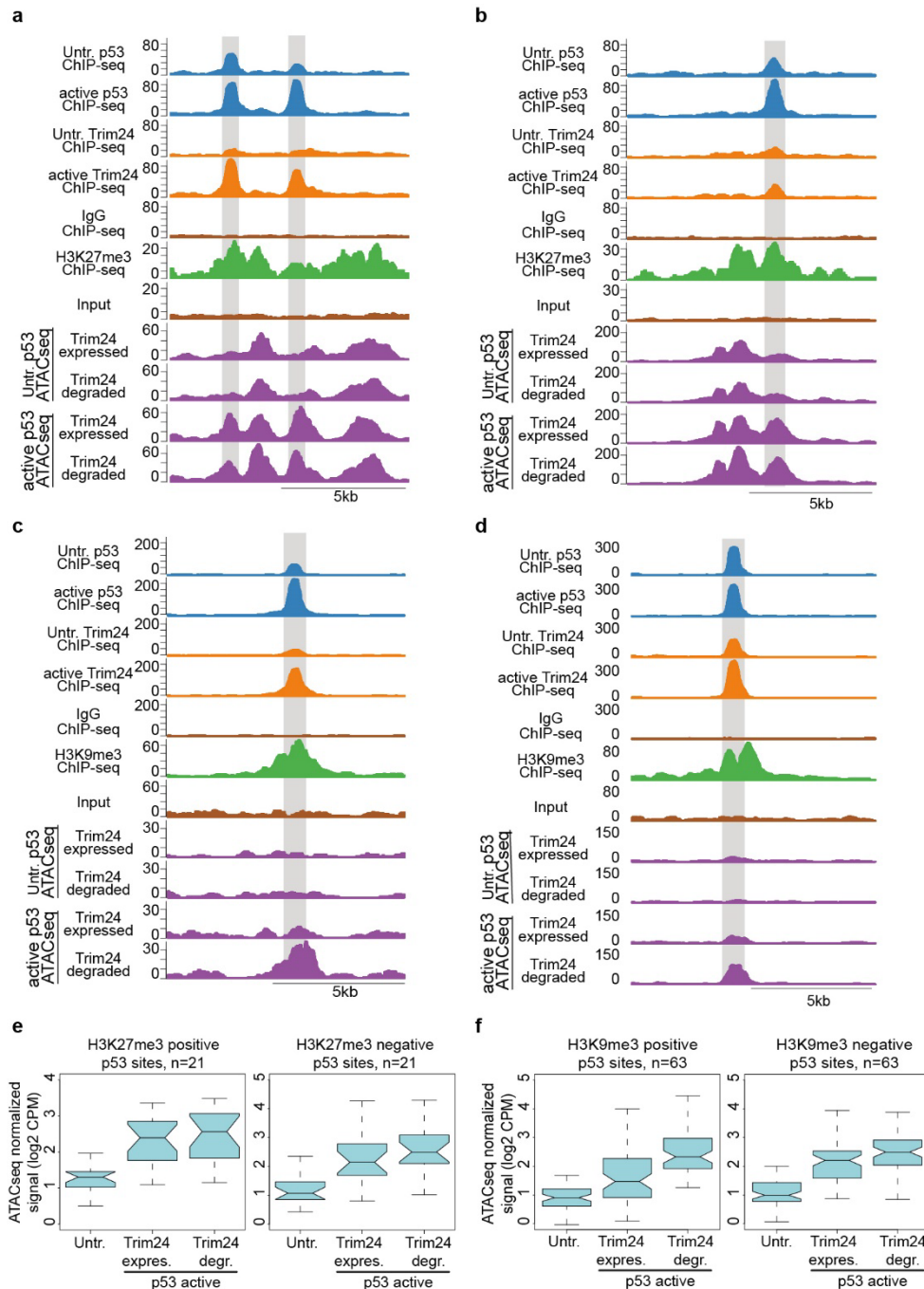
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Supplementary Figure 9 | Histone binding dynamics of Trim24. **a)** Amplified luminescence proximity homogeneous assay (Alpha) binding of full-length recombinant Flag-Trim24 at 175nM against a panel of modified nucleosomes. Variant histones and/or modifications are as indicated, as well as DNA and buffer controls. Bars represent the average Alpha counts from two technical replicates, error bars indicate SEM, individual data points are plotted as horizontal bars. Amplified signal occurs when nucleosomes are modified with H3K23ac. **b)** Enrichment of histone modifications at Trim24-p53 co-bound peaks and p53-only peaks in basal and p53-active conditions. Shown is the normalized ChIPseq signal across 1kb regions. **c)** Average enrichment of active histone marks, including H3K23ac and H3K4me1/2/3, against Trim24 enrichment at the joint set of p53 and Trim24 peaks in p53-active conditions. Shown are average log2 enrichments over IgG control datasets. Pearson correlation coefficients are indicated.



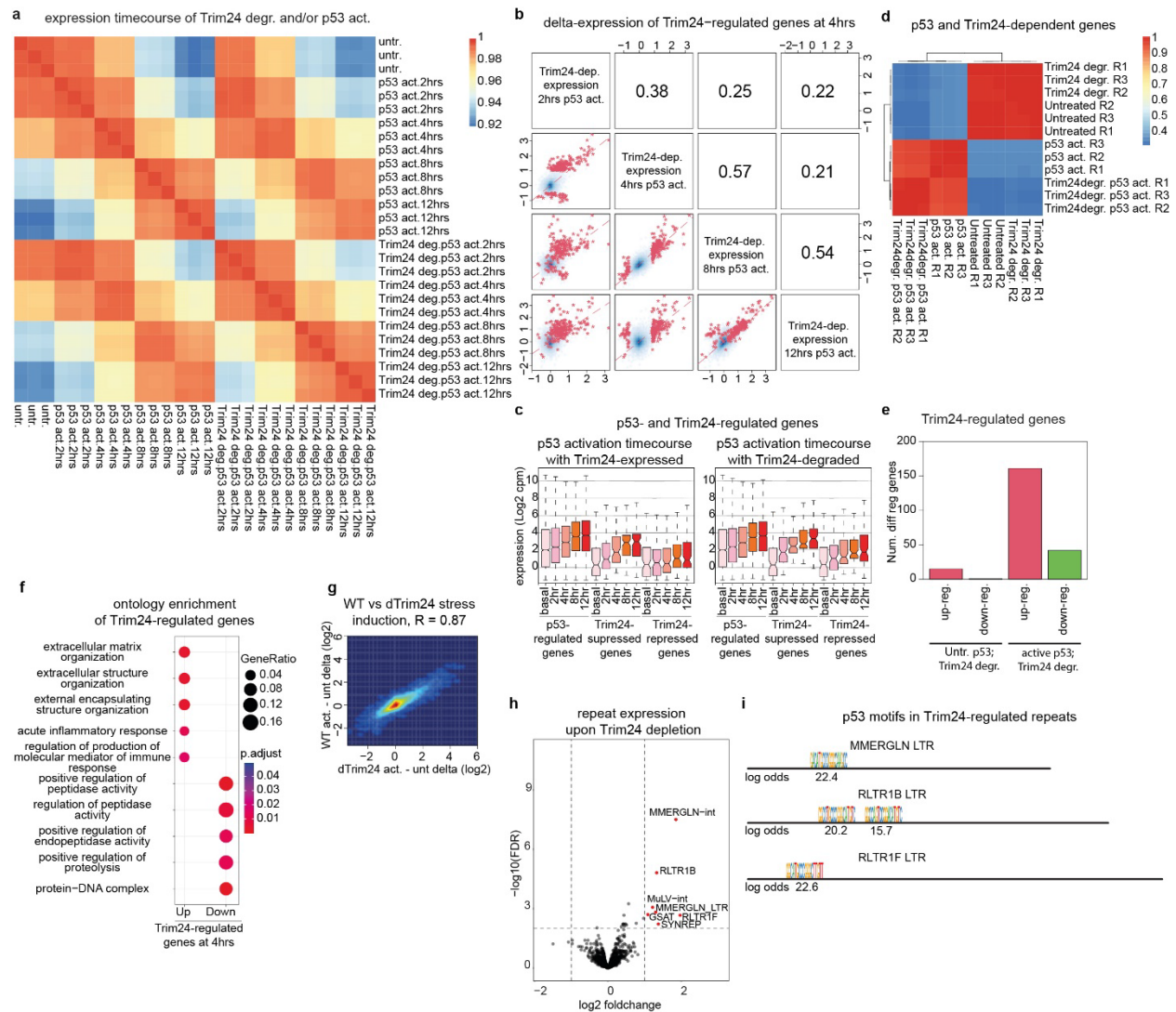
Supplementary Figure 10 | The PHD domain of Trim24 regulates binding in closed chromatin. a) Western blot of Flag-NLS-tagged, constitutively expressed addback-Trim24 variants in *Trim24* knockout cells, including wildtype (WT), the N-terminal fragment and N-terminal deletion of the RBBC domain, PHD-null and mutants where the PHD domain is exchanged with that of the ING1 and TAF3 protein that bind H3K4 when methylated. Addbacks are expressed at approximately endogenous levels, with the exception of the higher expressed N-terminal fragment. Lamin-β shown as loading control. **b)** Average enrichment of addback-WT Trim24 against endogenous Trim24 at the joint set of endogenous Trim24/p53 peaks in active conditions. Binding decreases slightly in the addback-WT Trim24 relative to endogenous enrichments but is highly correlated. **c)** Heatmaps of ChIPseq for p53 and addback-Trim24 variants, as well as histone marks in mESCs and K-means clustered by histone marks. Sites are ranked by average enrichment across datasets. RPKM values are as indicated (below).



Supplementary Figure 11 | p53 also binds and opens loci enriched for H2K27me3 and H3K9me3 histone modifications. **a, b**) Representative regions of the genome where p53 and Trim24 binding (ChIPseq) colocalizes with a H3K27me3-enriched locus, as well as accessibility (ATACseq) in the dTrim24 degron line under p53 basal and active conditions and with or without Trim24-degradation. Highlighted are representative p53-Trim24 peaks. **c, d**) Representative regions of the genome where p53 and Trim24 binding (ChIPseq) colocalizes with a H3K9me3-enriched locus, as well as accessibility (ATACseq) in the dTrim24 degron line under p53 basal and active conditions and with or without Trim24-degradation. Highlighted are representative p53-Trim24 peaks. **e**) ATACseq signal at strong p53 peaks (≥ 3.5 -fold log2 ChIPseq enrichment) overlapping genomic regions enriched at least 2-fold for H3K27me3 (left) or at a set of randomly sampled p53 sites (right) without H3K27me3 and with matched enrichment for p53 and H3K4

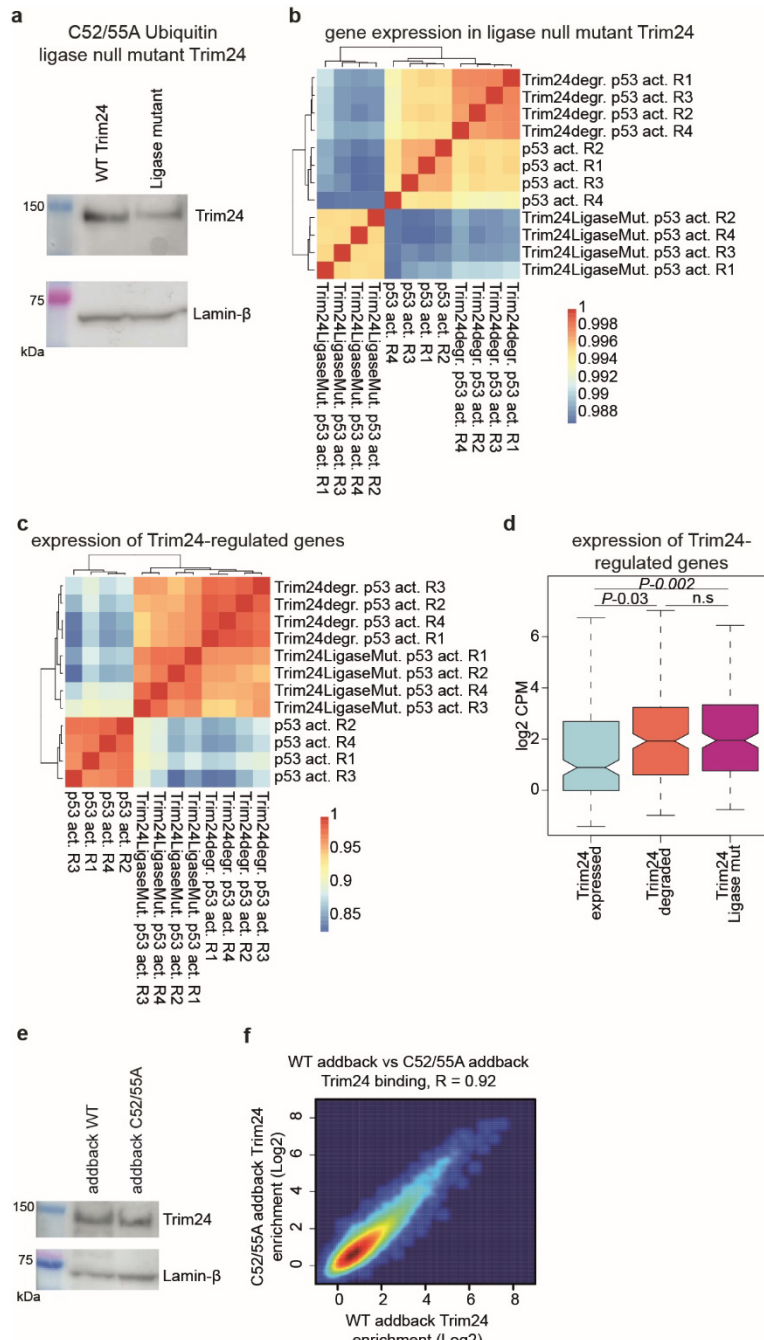
methylation levels. Centre median to first/third quartile, whiskers to 1.5 multiplied by interquartile range.

f) ATACseq signal at strong p53 peaks (≥ 3.5 -fold log₂ ChIPseq enrichment) overlapping genomic regions enriched at least 2-fold for H3K9me3 (left) or at a set of randomly sampled p53 sites (right) without H3K9me3 and with matched enrichment for p53 and H3K4 methylation levels. Centre median to first/third quartile, whiskers to 1.5 multiplied by interquartile range.



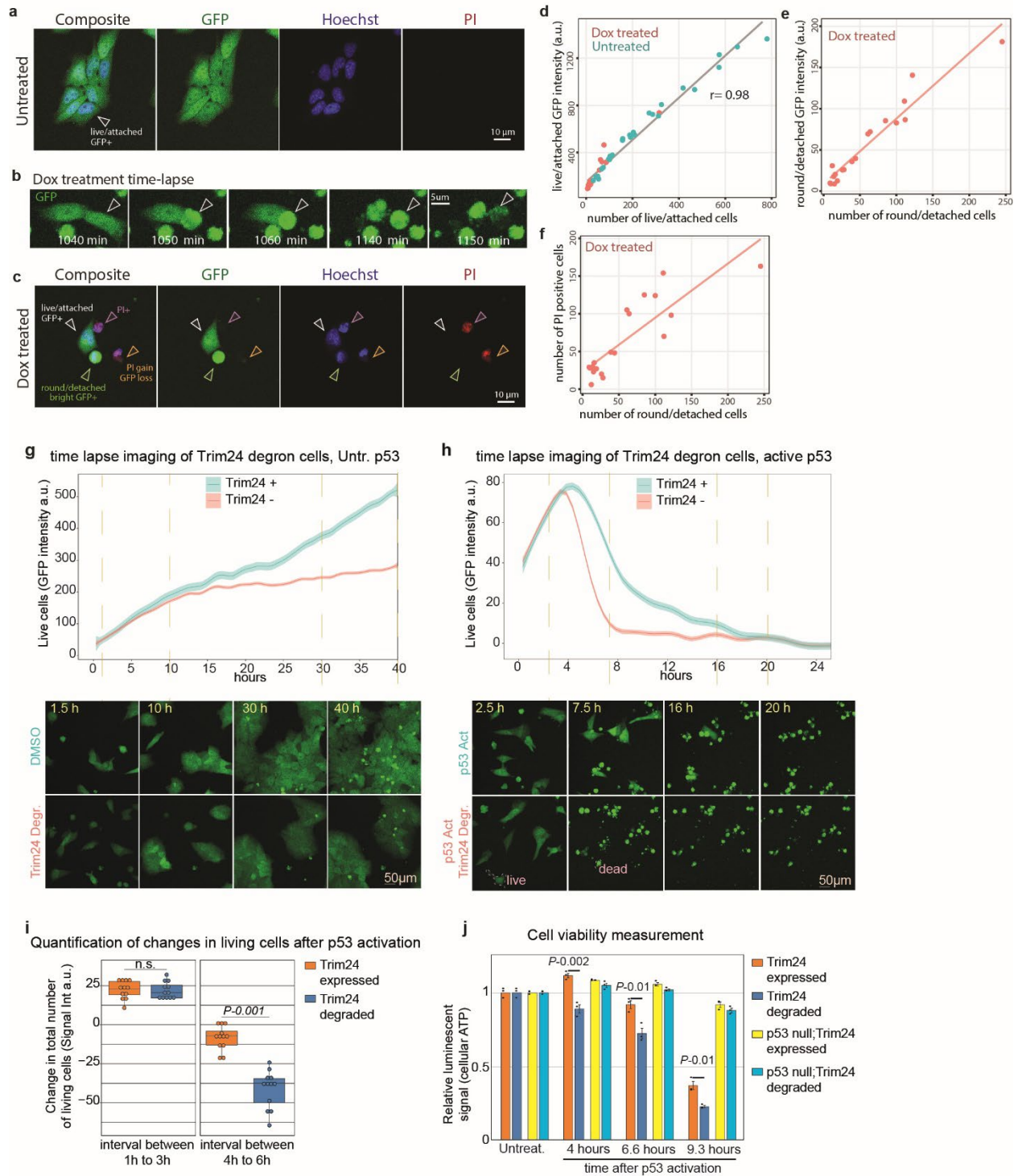
Supplementary Figure 12 | Regulation of gene expression by Trim24 in mESCs. **a)** Pearson correlations on gene expression (log₂ CPM) in the dTrim24 degron line between samples upon Trim24 degradation and up to 12 hours after p53-activation (Doxorubicin-1 μ M), with three replicates per condition. **b)** Reproducibility of expression changes upon Trim24 degradation at various timepoints of p53-activation. Genes that are differentially expressed at the 4hr point (shown in red, FDR<0.01 and log₂ foldchange at least 0.75) show a similar response across other points in the time course of p53 activation. Pearson correlations of expression change of all genes are as indicated. **c)** Expression of p53 activated and Trim24-repressed genes (log₂ CPM) at basal and different time points of p53 activation with Trim24 (left) or without Trim24 (right) in the Trim24 degron line. Shown are data from groups of differentially expressed genes at the 4-hour time point of p53 induction as in Fig. 4a: genes differentially expressed upon stress (p53-regulated, n=2779), genes that are differentially expressed upon stress and repressed by Trim24 (Trim24-suppressed, n=100), and genes that are not differentially expressed upon stress due to repression by Trim24 (Trim24-repressed, n=103). Centre median to first/third quartile, whiskers to 1.5 multiplied by interquartile range. **d)** Correlation-based clustering of RNAseq datasets in the Trim24 degron line upon loss of Trim24 in basal or p53-active conditions, for the top 500 most variable genes. Replicates (R1/R2/R3) cluster together in p53-active and basal conditions. Pearson correlations on gene expression (log₂ CPM)

are as indicated. **e)** Number of differentially expressed genes upon loss of Trim24 in basal or p53-active conditions (FDR<0.01 and log₂ foldchange at least 0.75). Relatively few genes are differentially expressed upon loss of Trim24 in the absence of p53 activation. **f)** Gene ontology enrichment of terms associated with the Trim24-regulated genes at the 4-hour timepoint of p53 activation. Shown is BH-adjusted hypergeometric *P* value. **g)** Change in gene expression (log₂ fold change) upon p53 activation in the Trim24 degron line compared to the WT parental line, showing highly similar effect. Pearson correlation is as indicated. **h)** Differential expression of repeat elements upon Trim24 loss in p53-active conditions at the 4-hour timepoint. Shown are the log₂ fold change in RNAseq signal at repeat masker-annotated instances and grouped according to repeat subclass. Repeats that significantly increase in expression (BH-adjusted Fisher's exact test) upon Trim24 loss are indicated (red). **i)** Instances of p53 motifs with a log₂-odds score of at least 10 in repeat promoter elements (LTRs) of those differentially expressed repeats in **h**.



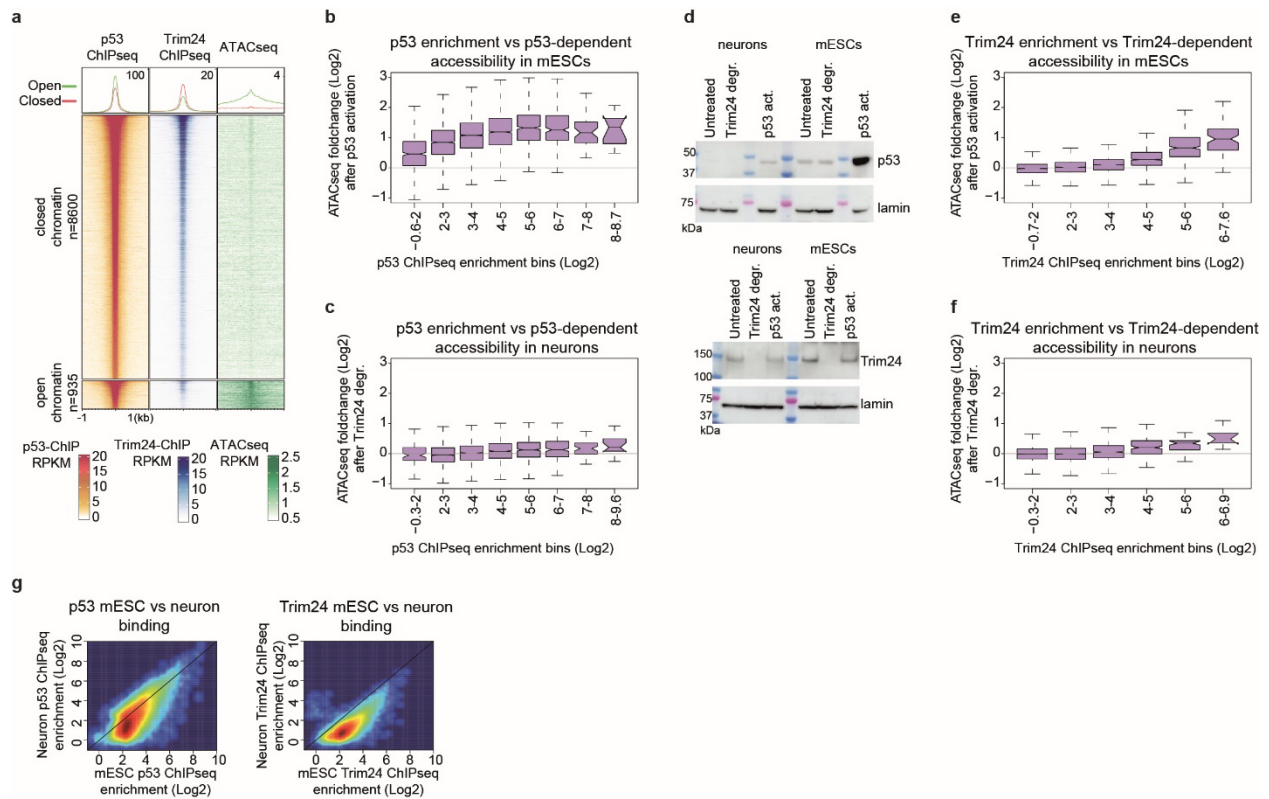
Supplementary Figure 13 | Contribution of RING domain to Trim24 in mESCs. **a**) A ligase-null variant Trim24 allele, with amino acids mutated (C52/55A) that are essential for ubiquitin ligase activity of RING domain proteins. **b**) Correlation-based clustering of RNAseq datasets in the Trim24 degron line upon activation of p53, and the ligase-null variant Trim24 line upon activation of p53, for all genes and **c**) for Trim24-regulated genes in the degron-tagged line ($n=203$ genes). Ligase-null replicates (R1/R2/R3/R4) cluster together with Trim24-degraded replicates for Trim24-regulated genes. Pearson correlations on \log_2 CPM are as indicated. **d**) Boxplot showing expression (average \log_2 CPM from quadruplicate replicates) of Trim24-regulated genes in the Trim24 degron line upon activation of p53, and the ligase-null variant Trim24 line upon activation of p53. n.s. not significant, two-sided Student's t-test P value as

indicated. Centre median to first/third quartile, whiskers to 1.5 multiplied by interquartile range. **e)** Western blot of Flag-NLS-tagged, constitutively expressed addback-Trim24 variants in *Trim24* knockout cells, including wildtype (WT) and C52/55A mutant protein. Lamin- β shown as loading control. **f)** Average enrichment of addback-WT Trim24 against C52/55A Trim24 at the joint set of endogenous Trim24/p53 peaks in active conditions. Pearson correlation coefficient is as indicated.

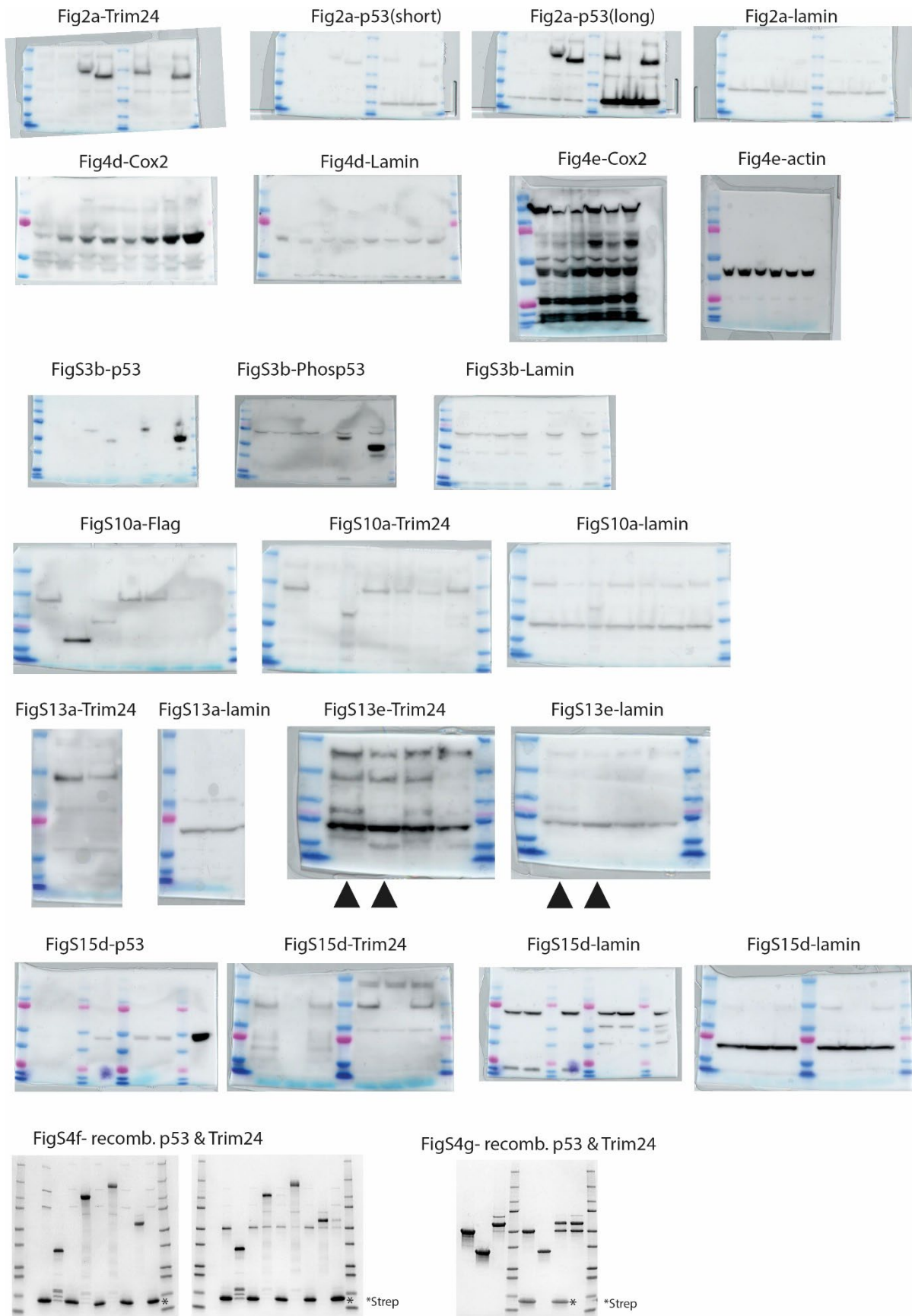


Supplementary Figure 14 | Effect of Trim24 on cell growth and viability. a-f) Establishment of total GFP intensity of live/attached cells expressing GFP as a measure of number of live/attached cells. a) GFP expressing attached live cells (green) in untreated conditions, counter-labeled with Hoechst in blue and Propidium Iodide (PI) in red. b) Time-lapse images of a Doxorubicin treated cells, demonstrating cell death, where cells round-up/detach and ultimately burst open to lose GFP signal (highlighted with arrow head). c) GFP expressing cells (green) in Doxorubicin induced stress condition, counter-labeled with Hoechst

(blue) and PI (red). Cell death is apparent due to morphological changes leading to round/detached/bright features, resulting in a loss of GFP signal and gain of PI signal (marker for loss of cellular integrity). **d-f**) Quantification of panel **a** and **c** on 45 images (total 9730 cells), demonstrating that the segmented GFP intensity of the live/attached cells correlates with the number of live/attached cells, Pearson $r=0.98$ (**d**), segmented GFP intensity of the round/detached cells correlates with the number of round/detached cells, Pearson $r=0.96$ (**e**). **f**) As the round/detached GFP positive cells lose cell integrity over time (panel **b/c**), their signal correlates with the accumulation of PI positive cells in a sample, Pearson $r=0.88$. **g-h**) Quantification of live cells over time with time-lapse imaging, as measured by the total fluorescence intensity of the segmented live/attached Trim24 degron cells expressing GFP, with and without Trim24 degradation. The average of at least 6 samples per condition is shown, shading indicates standard error of the mean. Representative images are shown at indicated points throughout the time course (below). Panel **g** shows the effect of Trim degradation on cell growth over 40 hours. Panel **h** shows the effect of Trim24 degradation on cell survival upon stress induction with Doxorubicin. Cells initially divide but are rapidly lost at approximately the four-hour time point. Data as in Fig. 4g, except showing time points out to 24 hours post stress induction. **i**) Quantification of the change in living cells across p53 activation intervals representing the initial cell division (1 vs 3 hours) with no difference upon Trim24 loss and as cells start to die (4 vs 6 hours), where Trim24 loss decreases the change in living cells over time by at least 5-fold, $n=12$ (6 regions, 2 replicates), Wilcoxon rank sum test P value as indicated. Centre median to first/third quartile, whiskers to 1.5 multiplied by interquartile range. **j**) Cell viability after stress and with or without Trim24 loss in p53 wildtype or null cells, as measured by luciferase-readout of cellular ATP and relative to untreated cells. Averages and individual points from three replicate experiments are shown, two-sided Student's t -test P value indicated, error bars indicate SEM.



Supplementary Figure 15 | Trim24 function in neurons. **a)** Heatmaps of p53 and Trim24 ChIPseq and ATACseq from neurons at p53 peaks and separated by sites that are either in open or closed chromatin (\log_2 ATACseq norm. enrichment > 3.9). Sites are ranked by average binding signal and RPKM values are as indicated (below). **b)** Change in ATACseq signal upon p53 activation in mESCs (average \log_2 CPM from triplicate experiments) or in **c)** neurons (average \log_2 CPM from duplicate experiments), at p53-peaks and binned by increasing p53 ChIPseq enrichment. Centre median to first/third quartile, whiskers to 1.5 multiplied by interquartile range. **d)** Western blot of p53 (top) and Trim24 (bottom) in neurons and mESCs in the degron tagged Trim24 background and under either untreated, Trim24 degraded (500nM dTag for 4 hours) or p53 activated (1 μ M doxorubicin for 4 hours) conditions. Lamin- β shown as loading control. **e)** Change in ATACseq signal upon Trim24 loss under p53 activation conditions in mESCs (average \log_2 CPM from triplicate experiments) or in **f)** neurons (average \log_2 CPM from triplicate experiments), at p53-peaks and binned by increasing Trim24 ChIPseq enrichment. Centre median to first/third quartile, whiskers to 1.5 multiplied by interquartile range. **g)** Average enrichment of p53 (left) or Trim24 (right) in mESCs against enrichment in neurons, under p53 active conditions. Data is shown for the joint set of mESC and neuronal peaks for all factors (n=24309 sites).



Supplementary Figure 16 | Uncropped gel scans. Raw gel scans of Western blots corresponding to main and supplemental images (indicated above). Where indicated (arrow) are samples used for data in cropped images with additional data bands not used (no arrow). Final two images show Coomassie staining of recombinant protein blots, *indicated are Strep bands absent in the cropped supplemental images.

Inventory of source data files | Source data files for gel scans provided and labelled according to their labelling in the manuscript. This includes Fig2_Source, Fig4_Source.

Supplementary Table 1 | Antibodies used in the study and application-dilution.

Supplementary Table 2 | Publicly available NGS data used in the study.

Supplementary Table 3 | Quality control of sequencing data determined for ChIPseq, ATAC-seq and RNAseq datasets as assessed by the R ChIPQC package.

Supplementary Movie 1 | Timelapse imaging of fluorescence from live Trim24 degron cells expressing GFP, with and without Trim24 degradation. Representative images are shown of cells either treated with DMSO (control) or dTAG compound (Trim24 Deg).

Supplementary Movie 2 | Timelapse imaging of fluorescence from live Trim24 degron cells expressing GFP, with p53 activated and with and without Trim24 degradation. Representative images are shown of cells either treated with doxorubicin to activate p53 (Act) or doxorubicin and dTAG compound (Act_Deg) to activate p53 and remove Trim24.