Tudor domain binding to arrayed peptides confirms the profiles seen on the CADOR chip

To independently validate the domain-peptide interactions that we detected with the CADOR chip, we used the more traditional approach of surface plasmon resonance (SPR). In this case, instead of probing an array of protein domains with a single labeled peptide, we probed an array of differentially modified peptides with a single domain. A peptide array was generated with the nine modified peptides used to probe the domain array. Unmethylated control peptides were also included. We first demonstrated that the chromo domain of HP1 β binds specifically to the methylated H3K9 motif (Fig S1). We then probed the Flex Chip with the tudor domains (JMJD2A, 53BP1 and C20orf104) that we had detected as methyldependent histone tail binders. This approach allows us to judge the relative binding affinity of a tudor domain with the arrayed peptide set. The JMJD2A binds most strongly to H4K20 in the di- and trimethylated states. It also binds H3K4me2, H3K4me3 and H3K9me3. Using this approach, the tudor domains of 53BP1 bind strongly to H4K20 in the mono- and di-methylated states. Weak binding of 53BP1 tudors is also seen with H3K4me2 and H3K9me2. The C20orf104 tudor again displays a binding profile similar to that of the 53BP1 tudors, with selective binding to di-methylated peptides (H3K4me2, H3K9me2 and H4K20me2). Thus, using this approach (Fig S1), we confirmed the specific tudor domain interactions first detected on the CADOR chip (Fig 2) and observed by the pull-down experiments (Fig 3).

METHODS - Surface Plasmon Resonance

Peptide-protein interactions were evaluated using HTS Biosystems' (East Hartford, CT) FlexChip Kinetic Analysis System that utilizes grating-coupled SPR microarray technology. Biotinylated peptides derived from histone tails were diluted to 125 μ M and 25 μ M in 1X PBS + 50 μ g/ml BSA. These were spotted on a neutravidin coated affinity chip in triplicate spots using a Cartesian pin contact arrayer, then sealed with a fluid tight flowcell. The array was blocked with 1X PBS, 0.5% Tween, 1:10 Superblock (Pierce) and 1 mM d-biotin (Sigma) and then sequentially followed with (1) running buffer (1X PBS + 0.5% Tween) for 30 minutes of equilibration, (2) GST fusion protein resuspended in running buffer at a set concentration for 60 minutes of sample association, and (3) running buffer alone for 30 minutes of sample dissociation. Specific binding to each spot results in a change in mass locally. This was recorded simultaneously for all spots in real time by measuring SPR change using a CCD camera during the entire run. Resonance changes between the onset and the end of the sample association phase were calculated as end-point values for each spot using the FlexChip Data Analysis software.

Supplementary Figure 1. A surface plasmon resonance based approach detects methyl-dependent interactions of tudor domains with arrayed peptides from histone tails. The proteins were diluted to the following concentrations: HP1beta to 1 µM, JMJD2A to 5 µM, 53BP1 to 10 µM and C20orf104 to 25 µM. A control sample of GST fusion protein alone was also compared at 25 µM. The protein samples were allowed to flow over a chip spotted with biotinylated peptides at two concentrations (25 µM and 125 µM). The background spot was comprised of the peptide diluent only. Binding was quantitated by measuring the change in surface plasmon resonance units over each spot following 60 minutes of sample flow over the chip. Data from 3 replicate spots was averaged to show the resonance change units (RCU) measurement for each peptide as a histogram and the corresponding standard deviations depicted as error bars.



Supplementary Figure 2. Western analysis was performed with methyl-specific antibodies to confirm the presence of different methyl marks on the core histones. Western analysis was performed with the following specific antibodies; H3 (Upstate Cat# 06-755), H4 (Upstate Cat# 07-108), H4K20me3 (Upstate Cat# 07-463) and H3K4me3 (Upstate Cat# 07-473).



Protein Accession Protein Region Accession Region TUDOR PhD+ A1 ESET (218 - 436)NP_036564 G1 JMJD2A PhD+ 2Tudor (682-1047) NP_055478 CG1-72 G2 JMJC PhD A2 (54 - 160)NP 057102 (682-865) NP 055478 M96 Tudor+PhD (1+298)AAH10013 Α3 FX (56 - 152)AAH67272 G3 C20orf140 Α4 NP 057520 G4 MYST4 PhD+PhD (165 - 359)AAH48199 (85 - 129)Α5 JMJD2A/2 (944 - 1047)NP_055478 G5 NSD1 PhD+PWWP (1237 - 1645)Q96L73 CAA22823 (780-1016) NP_579877 A6 Pombe 1 (25 - 162)G6 WHSC1 PhD+PWWP PRKCB1 PhD+BRD+PWWP (620-789) CAB39904 Q9UIU4 Α7 Pombe 2 G7 (75-393) (65 - 159)AAC18034 BS69 PhD+ BRD (1-392)AAH12586 A8 Colon 1 G8 Α9 Colon 2 (275-364) AAC18034 CHROMO A10 JMJD2A/1 (856-966) NP_055478 Η1 TIP60 (1-77)AAB18236 A11 Tudor 9 (628-757) NP 694591 H2 CHD2 (247-358) AAB87382 NP_919424 (503-591) (1-78)CHD4 AAH38596 A12 LaminB Н3 Β1 TDRD1/1 (75-222) NP_112568 H5 SMARCC2 (179-256) AAH26222 MRG15 (1-80)TDRD1/2 (695-846) NP 112568 H6 AAD29872 B2 Β3 TDRD2 (292-433) NP_006853. H7 RBBP1 (41-91)AAD41239 B4 TDRD3 (495-651) 09H7E2 H8 PC2 (1-75)AAB80718 B5 TDRD4-1 (1-104)Q9NUY9 Н9 PC3 (1-71)AAG09180 B6 TDRD4-2 (220-358) Q9NUY9 H10 CHD5 (260 - 430)AAK56405 TDRD4-3 Β7 (405-571) Q9NUY9 MI-2 (480-539) CAA60384 I1 (1-120)B8 TDRD5 (103 - 253)Q8NAT2 I2 HP1 alpha P45973 B9 PCTAIRE-1 (449-591)NP 055105 I3 HP1 gamma (11 - 129)NP 057671 B10 PCTAIRE-2 (639-787)NP_055105 I4 Msl3-like (1-103)AAD38499 B11 PCTAIRE-3 (896-1038) NP_055105 I5 SUV39H1 (1-114)AAB92224 B12 JMJD2A/1-2 (856-1047) NP_055478 I6 CBX1 (1-52)AAD21972 (635-788) NP_055205 HP1 beta P23197 C1 EBNA-2Co-A 17 (1 - 185)(1-71) AAD22735 C2 Ret-bp1 (36-138) AAB28543 I8 CDY1 M96 C3 (25 - 115)AAH10013 TUDOR C4 STK31 (57-153) Q9BXU1 J1 L(3)MBT (430 - 539)NP_056293 C5 53BP1/1-2 (1459 - 1634)NP_005648 J2 SCML1 (41 - 477)NP_057413 AAH64617 C6 53BP1/1 (1459 - 1587)NP 005648 13 SCMI 2 (57-261)C7 53BP1/2 (1518 - 1634)NP_005648 J4 SCMH1 (1-193)AAH21252 C8 (690-849) NP 003479 J5 LML2 (201-620) Q969R5 Anchor (267-496) C9 2B (895-1060) NP_055830 J6 KIAA1617 XP_166140 C10 C20orf140-MBT 2C (849-1017) NP_055876 17 (1-83)NP_057520 RBP1 like-2 NP_057102 NP_112739 18 CG1-72-MBT C11 (34-130) (1-74)SMN (80-172) NP 075012 J9 C20orf140-MBT+TDR (1-194)NP 057520 C12 BROMO CW D1 CW1 (451 - 545)BAA74875 Κ1 GCN5 (1364 - 1624)Q92830 TAF1- D1 NP_620278 D2 CW3 (117-194) AAH02725 K2 (1364 - 1499)CW4 CAD23056 TAF1- D2 (1486-1624) NP_620278 D3 (346-438) K3 S71788 D4 CW5 (405-472) BAA09485 K4 P/CAF (709-832)NP_009168 XP 087384 D5 CW6 (14-88)K5 SP140 (739-866) D9 Tudor Rhp9 (341 - 510)CAB46775 K7 SNF2 beta (1449-1565 S45252 PWWP K8 SMAP (588-721)NP 899203 E1 BRPF1 (1073 - 1220)AAH53851 K9 BAF180 1-2 (30 - 301)NP_060635 **BS69** (151 - 343)AAH12586 I10 (335-481) NP_060635 E2 BAF180 3 NP_060635 (107-341)DNMT3B Q9UBC3 (335-481) E4 K11 BAF180 3-4 E5 HDGF (1-113)P51858 K12 BAF180 5-6 (660-862) NP_060635 HRP-3 BAA90477 TIF1 alpha (847-973) AAD17258 E6 (1-114)L1 E7 MSH6 (72-216) P52701 L2 KAP-1 (685 - 835)AAB37341 E8 NSD1 (1736-1871 Q96L73 L3 P300 (1075-1203) NP_004371 NP_579877 WDR9 1-2 E9 WHSC1-1 (205-349) L4 Q9NSI6 (1145 - 1429)**SWIRM** L5 WDR9 1 Q9NSI6 SANT, (1145 - 1277)Q9NSI6 MPP11-like (493-593) XP_379909 L6 WDR9 2 (1305 - 1429)F1 F2 MTA1 (267-353) Q13330 L7 BAZ (1327 - 1483)NP_075381 F3 N-CoR2 (408-680)Q9Y618 L8 BRDT 1-2 (15 - 388)AAH62700 BRDT 1 F4 N-CoR2-1 (408-489) L9 (15-145) AAH62700 Q9Y618 F5 N-CoR2-2 L10 BRDT 2 (258 - 388)(598-680)Q9Y618 AAH62700 (416-695) L11 BRD4 1 NP_932762 F6 N-CorR1 NP_006302 (45 - 165)F7 RERE (304 - 400)AAH62342 ADA2-SANT F8 (55-144)NP 001479 F9 Zuotin Rel. (402-593) XP_168590 F10 KIAA1915 (248 - 390)BAB67808 (207-391) F11 KIAA0601 CAB72299 F12 ADA2-Swirm (337-443) NP_001479

Table S1. Details on subcloned domains – accession numbers and regions cloned.