

Supporting Information

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SI Materials and Methods

ChIP and Microarray Analysis. For ChIP, cells in suspension were fixed in 1% formaldehyde for 10 min; quenched with 125 mM glycine for 5 min; and lysed in 1% SDS, 10 mM EDTA (pH 8.0), 50 mM Tris·HCl (pH 8.1), and protease inhibitors for 10 min at 4 °C. Chromatin was sheared to 0.3- to 0.5-kb fragments by sonication (Bioruptor; Diagenode); diluted 1:10 in 1% Triton X-100, 2 mM EDTA (pH 8.0), 150 mM NaCl, and 20 mM Tris·HCl (pH 8.1) in the presence of protease inhibitors (Roche); and precleared with 30 μ L of protein A agarose beads (Millipore) for 90 min at 4 °C. Chromatin was subjected to immunoprecipitation overnight at 4 °C using 5 μ L of trimethylated histone H3 lysine 27 (H3K27me3) rabbit polyclonal antibody (07-449; Upstate) in 1 mL of diluted chromatin. For all experiments, 2.5 μ L of polyclonal anti-mouse IgG (7023; Sigma) was used to measure background levels. Immune complexes were purified using 30 μ L of protein A agarose beads for 2 h at 4 °C. Beads were washed three times. DNA was eluted in 1% SDS and 0.1 M NaHCO₃ reverse cross-linked at 65 °C overnight, and phenol-chloroform extracted and precipitated with isopropanol. DNA was resuspended in 100 μ L of H₂O and analyzed on a Bio-Rad Chromo4 real-time PCR system using SYBR Green PCR Master Mix (Bio-Rad) following the manufacturer's instructions. Enrichment was normalized to 1% of input DNA. For quality control, positive and negative amplification controls were chosen, based on a study by Azuara et al. (1). In order to reduce the number of PCR amplification cycles, DNA from eight ChIP experiments was pooled for each experiment in conditions with and without doxycycline. Whole genome amplification (Sigma) was performed according to the method of O'Geen et al. (2). All experiments were quality-controlled before hybridization on tiling array. Custom arrays were purchased from Nimblegen (average probe length of 60–75mer). A chromosome 17 genomic region, spanning megabase (Mb) 20–85.4 (mm8), was tiled on the array, together with control regions from other chromosomes comprising a total span of \sim 2 Mb (Table S1). Cy3/5 labeling, hybridization, and scanning were performed as previously published (2). Peak detection was by TileMap software (<http://jilab.biostat.jhsph.edu/software/tilemap/index.htm>). A peak was called when five or more tiles were significantly above the local background. X-inactive specific transcript (Xist)-induced new peaks were called when a peak was found in two-thirds of induced samples and never in at least three noninduced samples.

Statistical Analysis. H3K27me3 enrichment/depletion in a given genomic feature is defined as the log₂ ratio between the observed density and the expected density over the total genomic area represented on the microarray. Reference Sequence (RefSeq) gene coordinates were obtained from University of California, Santa Cruz (UCSC) RefSeq Gene Table (mm9) and then “lifted over” into mm8 assembly; the promoter corresponds to the 1,000 bp upstream of the transcription start site, and the 3' end corresponds to the 1,000 bp downstream of the gene body. Bivalent domain coordinates came from a study by Ku et al. (3). Repeat element coordinates were obtained from the UCSC RepeatMasker track (mm8). To compensate for the underrepresentation of the repeat elements within the microarray, H3K27me3 peaks were scored as overlapping when their border was less than 250 bp distant from the closest repeated element. The statistical significance of the enrichment/depletion was then assessed by the Fisher exact test.

Sample Preparation for 3D Structured Illumination Microscopy. For all experiments, cells were seeded on 18 \times 18-mm borosilicate glass coverslips (catalog no. 1.5H, 170- μ m \pm 5- μ m thickness; Marienfeld Superior) 1 d before fixation. For immunostaining, cells were washed two times with PBS and fixed with 2% (vol/vol) formaldehyde/PBS for 10 min following stepwise replacement with 0.05% Tween/PBS (PBST). For permeabilization, cells were incubated in 0.5% Triton X-100/PBS for 10 min and washed subsequently two times in PBST. For immunofluorescence detection in combination with RNA FISH (immuno-RNA-FISH), cells were equilibrated in 2 \times SSC and incubated in 50% (vol/vol) formamide/2 \times SSC at 4 °C for 2–4 h. A labeled and denatured full length RNA-FISH probe was added, cells were mounted on slides and sealed with removable rubber cement, and samples were allowed to hybridize at 37 °C overnight. Unbound probes were removed with washing three times (each wash for 5 min) in 50% (vol/vol) formamide/2 \times SSC and at 42 °C followed by washing three times with 0.05% Tween/2 \times SSC (SSCT) at 42 °C, and probe detection was carried out in 2% (wt/vol) BSA/0.5% fish skin gelatin (FSG)/2 \times SSCT for 1 h at room temperature (RT) in a humid chamber.

For subsequent immunostaining, cells were equilibrated in 1 \times PBST and blocked with 2% (wt/vol) BSA/0.5% FSG/PBST for 1 h. Antibodies were diluted in blocking buffer and incubated for 1 h in a humid chamber at RT. Unbound antibodies were removed by thorough washing with 1 \times PBST. A detailed description of the immuno-RNA-FISH procedure for superresolution microscopy is provided elsewhere (4). After the immunostaining procedure, cells were postfixed using 4% (vol/vol) formaldehyde/PBS for 10 min and DNA was counterstained with DAPI (2 μ g/mL) for 10 min. Samples were mounted in Vectashield antifade mounting medium (Vector Laboratories) and sealed with nail varnish. H3K27me3 antibodies used were purchased from Active Motif and Diagenode (catalog nos. 39535 and CS-069-100, respectively). SUZ12 (clone no. D39F6) rabbit mAb (catalog no. 3737), and Ezh2 (clone no. DC29) rabbit mAb (5246) were purchased from Cell Signaling. Eed mouse mAb has been described previously (5). Ring1b mouse mAb was a gift from Haruhiko Koseki, Yokohama, Japan.

Three-Dimensional Structured Illumination Microscopy and Image Analysis. Three-dimensional structured illumination (SI) microscopy on fixed ES cell samples and TetraSpeck beads (Invitrogen) was performed on a DeltaVision OMX V3 system (Applied Precision Imaging/GE Healthcare) equipped with a 100 \times magnification/1.40-N.A. PlanApo oil immersion objective (Olympus); Cascade II:512 EMCCD cameras (Photometrics); and 405-, 488-, and 593-nm diode lasers. Somatic cells were imaged with a DeltaVision OMX V3 Blaze system (Applied Precision Imaging/GE Healthcare) equipped with a 60 \times magnification/1.42 N.A. PlanApo oil immersion objective (Olympus); 405-, 488-, and 592-nm diode lasers; and Edge sCMOS cameras (PCO) (4). In both cases, SI image stacks were acquired with a z-distance of 125 nm and with 15 raw SI images per plane (five phases, three angles). The SI raw datasets were computationally reconstructed with channel-specific measured optical transfer functions (OTFs) and a Wiener filter set to 0.002 using the softWoRx 6.0 software package (Applied Precision) to obtain a superresolution 3D image stack with a lateral (x,y) resolution of \sim 110–130 nm and an axial (z) resolution of \sim 300 nm (6). Images from the different color channels were registered with alignment parameters obtained from calibration measurements with 0.2- μ m diameter TetraSpeck beads using image registration with a linear-fitting model implemented using softWoRx 6.0. The voxel size of

the reconstructed images is 40 nm in x,y and 125 nm in z with a 32-bit depth. For all subsequent image processing and data analysis, images were shifted to positive values and converted to 16-bit composite tagged image file-stacks and analyzed with ImageJ (<http://rsbweb.nih.gov/ij>). Colocalization was analyzed in three different ways. First, for a visual qualitative estimation, signal intensities of green and red channels from all voxels of a 3D image stack were plotted as a 2D scatter plot (7). Second, the colocalization degree was quantified based on the red/green signal intensities by calculating Pearson's and Manders' coefficients (8). Pearson's coefficients were calculated on nonthresholded images from the fraction of the stack containing the "Barr body" volume (~15 z -sections covering a thickness of ~2 μm) and its surroundings or similar sized volumes of the controls (SNLs), respectively. Barr bodies were defined as volumes with an enrichment of the respective polycomb repressive complex 2 proteins or Xist RNA, including their close surroundings. The Barr body 3D mask was obtained by applying a Gaussian filter to merged channels, thresholding to remove low-intensity signals, and converting the obtained stack into a binary file that mapped all voxels of interest for coefficient calculation. Manders' coefficients were calculated for the signal intensities of voxels in a similar way. To estimate the

threshold for every image stack and for both channels, a separate small 3D volume from an area outside the cell or nucleus was selected. The average intensity of this "background substack" was calculated and served as a base to calculate the threshold for Manders' coefficient calculations (9, 10). Third, nearest neighbor measurements were performed using the TANGO plug-in for ImageJ/Fiji (11). Before import into TANGO, the cropped image stacks were scaled between the mode and the maximum value by an in-house ImageJ script. The red and green signals were segmented according to a set of predefined rules: (i) top hat filter with a 2-pixel (px) radius in x,y and z ; (ii) Laplace of Gauss filter with a 1-px radius in x,y and z ; and (iii) spot detector 3D with Otsu autothresholding. Finally, a minimal distance (nearest neighbor) analysis of centroid x,y and z positions of all segmented green and red signals/spots within the Barr body mask was performed. Statistical differences in colocalization coefficients, as well as nearest neighbor distances, of different experiments were analyzed by pairwise t test comparison with Bonferroni correction of the level of significance. A minimum of 10 cells were analyzed with an average of 15 z -sections per cell. A similar analysis was done for TetraSpeck beads.

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