Supplemental information

The HP1 homolog Rhino anchors a nuclear complex that

suppresses piRNA precursor splicing

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SUPPLEMENTAL FIGURE LEGENDS

Figure S1. Rhi does not bind with flamenco cluster. Related to Figure 1.

(A) piRNA and Rhi ChIP-Seq signal across the *flamenco* (*flam*) cluster and cluster 32, a dual-strand piRNA cluster located ~60 kb downstream of flamenco. Rhi binds to dual-strand cluster 32, but does not associate with *flam.*

(B) Scatter plots showing ChIP-Seq enrichment (*y-axis*) relative to reduction in piRNA production in *rhi²*/*KG* mutants (*x-axis*). Each point represents a distinct piRNA cluster. Pre-I.S. is Pre-Immune Serum. The major germline piRNA cluster at 42AB and the major somatic cluster (*flam*) are indicated in green.

Figure S2. Rhi binding may not depend on the piRNA production. Related to Figure 1.

(A) Small RNA-Seq and Rhi ChIP-Seq signal across the right arm of chromosome 2 in control (*armi/CyO* and *w 1*) and *armi* mutants. The 42AB cluster is indicated. Mutations in *armi* nearly eliminate piRNAs mapping to 42AB (Malone et al., 2009), but do not reduce Rhi binding.

(B) Scatter plot showing Rhi ChIP-Seq enrichment in *armi¹*/*72.1* mutants relative to w¹ controls. Each dot represents a distinct piRNA cluster.

(C) A biological replicate of Panel B.

Figure S3. Loss of Rhi, Cuff or UAP56 does not affect total cluster and gene transcript steady state level. Related to Figure 2. Scatter plots comparing normalized RNA-Seq reads uniquely mapping to clusters and genes in *rhino²*/*KG , cuffwm25* and *uap56sz/28* ovaries and corresponding controls.

Figure S4. Mutations in *rhi, cuff* **and** *uap56* **increase splicing at the sox102F locus. Related to Figure 2.** The experimentally determined intronexon structure of the somatic *sox102F* transcript is shown in blue (top). Note that the gene is transcribed on the minus strand. Next, Rhi ChIP-Seq signal (red) is superimposed on the input control (dark blue). The following 6 tracks (black) show RNA-Seq signal in Ore. R and w^{1118} controls, and in the indicated *qin, cuff, rhi* and *uap56* mutants. The *qin* mutation, which disrupts expression of a Tudor domain protein the localizes to nuage (Zhang et al., 2012), does not increase splicing. By contrast, mutations in *cuff, rhi* and *uap56,* which encode nuclear proteins that localize to clusters, increase in splicing. piRNA expression for each genotype is indicated in the green tracks. The "mappability" of the locus, reflecting the extent of unique sequence, is shown at the bottom of the figure.

Figure S5. Rhi suppresses cluster splicing and only unspliced cluster transcripts are directed for piRNA production. Related to Figure 2 and Figure 3.

(A) Expression of eGFP::Rhi in *rhi* mutants restores insufficient splicing for the Sox102F locus. Data are mean \pm standard deviation for 3 independent biological samples.

(B) Spliced transcript abundance from the Sox102F locus, relative to *w ¹¹¹⁸*. qRT-PCR data were first normalized to *rp49*. Data are mean ± standard deviation for 3 independent biological samples.

(C) Un-spliced transcript abundance from the Sox102F locus, relative to *w 1118* . qRT-PCR data were first normalized to *rp49*. Data are mean ± standard deviation for 3 independent biological samples.

(D) piRNAs production from Sox102F splicing junction sites in *w ¹¹¹⁸* ovaries. All cloned piRNAs are from the unspliced transcripts, none of them are mapped to the spliced junctions. DNA sequences are in black. Splicing donor sites are in orange, and green means splicing accepter sites. Blue stands for sense piRNAs, and antisense piRNAs are in red.

Figure S6. Tethering LacI::Rhi, but not LacI , silences GFP protein expression. Related to Figure 5. Top. Western blot showing LacI (green) and a tubulin control (red) expression in ovaries carrying inducible LacI or LacI::Rhi fusion protein genes and an EGFP reporter, in the absence of Gal4 induction (- Gal4) or the presence of Gal4 induction (+Gal4). Bottom. Parallel blot for EGFP (green) and tubulin control (red). Biological triplicate data are shown. EGFP expression is only silenced when LacI::Rhi is expressed.

Figure S7. Rhi binding and expression of complementary transcripts are needed to induce piRNA production. Related to Figure 6. Length distribution of the small RNAs mapping to the GFP constructs. Un-oxidized RNAs were used to generate libraries for sequencing. Blue, sense piRNAs; red, antisense.

Table S2**.** High throughput sequencing statistics. Linked to Figures 1-3.

Table S2a. ChIP-Seq samples.

Table S2b. Small RNA-Seq samples.

Small RNA sequencing statistics: analysis of genome matching sequences by reads. "Reads excluding ncRNA" correspond to genome-matching reads after excluding annotated non-coding RNAs (ncRNAs) such as rRNA, snRNA, snoRNA, or tRNA. "Transposon-matching reads" correspond to small RNAs mapped to *Drosophila melanogaster* transposons.

Table S2c. RNA-Seq samples.

Table S3. Synthetic DNA oligonucleotides used in this study (5'-to-3'). Linked to Figure 3.

For ChIP-quantitative PCR

Table S4. Published fly alleles used in this study.

Table S5. Published high-throughput sequencing data used in this study.

Table S6. Antibody information.

SUPPLEMENTAL EXPERIMENT PROCEDURES

Transgenic flies for tethering Rhi to the GFP locus.

Transgenes expressing LacI or LacI::Rhi fusion were made as follows: the 1.1 kb lacI binding domain from lacI-HP1 in pCas-hs-act, provided by L. L. Wallrath (Li et al., 2003), was PCR amplified (Forward primer: AAA GAA TTC GCC ATG GTG AAA CCA GTA ACG; Reverse primer: AAA GGA TCC AAC CTT CCT CTT CAT C), and the 1.4 kb *rhi* coding sequence from the full length rhino cDNA clone RE36324 (Klattenhoff et al., 2009) was PCR amplified (Forward primer: AAA GGA TCC GTT ATG TCT CGC AAC CAT CAG; Reverse primer: AAA CGC GCC GCT TTA CTT GGG CAC AAT GAT). Rhi PCR product was digested with BamHI/NotI and cloned into pBstII KS+ to generate pBst-Rhi. The LacI PCR product was digested with EcoRI and BamHI and cloned into pBst-Rhi to generate pBst-lacI::Rhi. The entire insert in pBst-lacI::Rhi was cut out with KpnI/NotI and cloned into the transformation vector pUASp to generate pUASplacI::Rhi. pUASp-lacI::Rhi was cut with BamHI to remove the *rhi* cDNA and recircularized to yield pUASp-lacI. All intermediates and final plasmid clones were verified by direct sequencing. The final pUASp-lacI and pUASp-lacI::Rhi constructs were used to make germline transgenes using standard protocols.

To generate transgenic flies carrying the LacO-EGFP, XbaI was used to partially digest pSV2-dhfr-8.32 provided by A. S. Belmont (Robinett et al., 1996). A 1.2 kb XbaI fragment corresponding to 32 repeats of the 36bp Lac operon was cloned into pBstII KS+ to produce pBst-32mer. This clone was used to provide the LacO repeats that were subsequently cloned into unique restriction sites upstream of a truncated *vasa* promoter driving expression of the 84B alpha tublin 5'UTR and first intron followed by EGFP-NLS and the tublin-3'UTR. The repeats were excised from pBst with SmaI/NotI, the ends were polished with Klenow Large

Fragment and the DNA was cloned into either the 5' Not/blunted site or the 3' Bam/blunted site of the EGFP reporter construct. The following primers were used to amplify the partial *vasa* promoter from vasp-EGFP (Forward: AAA GGA TCC ATA TGA ATG AAT CAC TTA GG; Reverse: AAA GGA TCC GTG GAA TTT CCC ATT GTG C). This product was cut with BamHI and cloned into the unique BamHI site at the 3' end of the reporter construct in the anti-sense direction to get the GFP-vaspAS-LacO construct. Due to the instability of the lacO repeats, all clones containing these repeat sequences were transformed into Max Efficiency Stbl2 chemically competent cells (Invitrogen cat#10268-019). Otherwise, DH5 α electrocompetent cells (home made) were used. All reporter constructs contain the attB site and were integrated onto the attP2 site located at chromosome 3L-68A4.

Transgenic flies for rescuing the splicing.

For *rhi* transgene rescue, *rhi* cDNA was cloned into *rhi*-promoter-pPGW vector having attB site. The transgenic flies were produced by site specific insertion at chromosomal location 3L-68A4 by PhiC31 mediated transformation. Thus, N terminal eGFP tagged Rhi was expressed under endogenous *rhi* promoter. Expression of eGFP::Rhi in *rhi* mutant background leads to a reduction of high splicing efficiency observed in *rhi* mutants and the spliced/unspliced ratio is comparable to wild type control, indicating that the splicing phenotype is specific for *rhi* and not due to second site mutation.

ChIP-Seq and data analysis.

For Rhi ChIP-Seq, 1 ml ovaries were first crosslinked with 2% formaldehyde for 10 minutes in Robb's medium (100 mM HEPES pH 7.4, 55 mM sodium acetate, 40 mM potassium acetate, 100 mM sucrose, 10 mM glucose, 1.2 mM $MgCl₂$, 1 mM CaCl₂). Then the reaction was quenched by adding Glycine to 120 mM and

incubating for 5 minutes with rotation. The ovaries were then washed twice with TBS (50 mM Tris-HCl pH 7.5, 150 mM NaCl), and twice with ChIP lysis buffer (50 mM Hepes/KOH pH 7.5, 140 mM NaCl, 1% [v/v] Triton X-100, 0.1% [w/v] Na-Deoxycholate, 0.1% [w/v] SDS). Washed ovaries were sonicated for 4×15 minutes in sonication buffer (1% SDS, 10 mM EDTA, 50 mM Tris-HCl pH 8.0, 1 Proteinase Inhibitor tablet freshly added) with a Bioruptor Standard (diagenode cat# B01010001). The ovary lysate was centrifuged at 14000 rpm at 4˚C for 15 minutes, 200 µl supernatant was saved as the input control and the remaining supernatant was diluted 7 fold with dilution buffer (20 mM Tris-HCl, 167 mM NaCl, 1.2 mM EDTA, 0.01% [w/v] SDS, 1% [v/v] Triton X-100, 1 Proteinase Inhibitor tablet freshly added). For each ChIP-Seq library, 25 µl anti-Rhi antibody or Pre-Immune Serum(custom made, guinea pig 1943) was conjugated to 400 µl Dynabeads Protein A (Life technologies, cat # 10001D). The diluted supernatant added to the conjugated beads and incubated was at 4˚C overnight. The beads were then wash two times each with 1 ml Wash buffer A (20 mM Tris-HCl pH 8.0, 2 mM EDTA, 0.1% [w/v] SDS, 1%[v/v] Triton X-100, 150 mM NaCl), 1 ml Wash buffer B (20 mM Tris-HCl pH 8.0, 2 mM EDTA, 0.1% [w/v] SDS, 1%[v/v] Triton X-100, 500 mM NaCl), 1 ml Wash buffer C (10 mM Tris-HCl pH 8.0, 1 mM EDTA, 1% [v/v] NP-40, 1% [w/v] Na-deoxycolate, 0.25 M LiCl) and 1 ml Wash buffer D (10 mM Tris-HCl pH 8.0, 1 mM EDTA). The beads were then resuspended with 200 µl sonication buffer, an the saved input sample was thawed and processed in parallel with the ChIP sample, as follows: Crosslinking was reversed by adding 2 µl 5 M NaCl to the beads/input and incubating at 65˚C for 6 hours. Then 200 µl Tris-HCl buffer (10 mM Tris-HCl pH 8.5) was added to each sample. To remove RNA, 6 µl 30 mg/ml RNaseA was added and incubated at 37˚C for 2 hours. To digest protein, 20 µl 20 mg/ml Proteinase K was added and the mixture was incubated at 55 ˚C for 2 hours. Finally, phenol:chloroform extraction was

used to purify the immunoprecipitated DNA, which was dissolved in 34 µl water. The sequencing library was constructed by sequentially performing end-repair, Atailing, Y-shaped adapter ligation and PCR amplification as described (Zhang et al., 2012b). The libraries from Oregon R. ovaries were prepared with illumina Paired End DNA oligos and sequenced by illumina GAII. The libraries for w¹-rep1 and *armi^{1/72.1}*-rep1 were made in parallel with illumina Paired End DNA oligos and sequenced by illumina HiSeq. The libraries for *w 1* -rep2 and *armi¹*/*72.1* -rep2 were made in parallel with illumina Multiplexing oligos and sequenced by HiSeq. The sequencing reads were mapped to the *Drosophila melanogaster* genome (FlyBase r5.45/dm3) using bwa-0.6.1 (Li and Durbin, 2009). All libraries were normalized to sequencing depth, using total genome mapping reads. For each library, bigwig files were generated for UCSC browser visualization. To calculate the Rhi binding enrichment for the piRNA cluster regions, only the reads that uniquely mapped to one genome position were used. The mean ppm value over each cluster was calculated by bigWigAverageOverBed, with a pseudo count of 0.01.

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