Supplemental Material

A majority of m6A residues are in the last exons, allowing the potential for 3' UTR regulation

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A. Supplemental Data:

Both the **processed data** an **raw data** have been deposited to GEO database (accession no. GSE71154, http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/query/acc.cgi?acc=GSE71154).

The processed data includes the **precise locations** of all mapped m6A sites in mouse brain, mouse liver, human CD8 T cells and human A549 cells (30078, 8748, 19682 and 23479 precise m6A sites respectively) as well as the m6A peak region locations.

B. Supplemental Figures:

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Supplemental Figure Legends

Supplemental Figure 1. Single nucleotide resolution achieved by m⁶A-CLIP/IP, part A. (*A*) m⁶A-CLIP pilot with two 25mer RNA oligos, one with an m⁶A at site 13 and one with no m⁶A. (*B*) UV induced insertion was identified at the +1 position (3' to the m⁶A site) of m⁶A in the pilot RNA oligo. Position 13 is the m⁶A (marked in red). (*C*) UV induced substitution mutations are predominantly at +1 position of the two known m⁶A sites in human rRNAs. Left panel: the A1832 site of 18S; Right panel: the A4190 site of 28S. (*D*) UV induced m⁶A antibody covalent complex was evident in m⁶A-CLIP but not in two negative controls. (*E*) Deletion CIMS maps m⁶A sites at its -2 position. "Enrichment of RRACU or RAC" is the fold enrichment of RRACU (red) or RAC (blue) motif density at that position compared to the background motif density (horizontal grey dot line). Vertical black dot line represents the Peak Site 0 position. (*F*) Insertion CIMS maps m⁶A sites at its -1 position. (*G*) <u>C</u>rosslink induced truncation site (CITS) maps m⁶A sites at its -3 position.

Supplemental Figure 2. Single nucleotide resolution achieved by m^6A -CLIP/IP, Part B. (*A*) m^6A Peak Site maps m6A sites at its 0 position (human). The motif logo with its p value represents the de novo motif. (*B*) Substitution CIMS maps m^6A sites at its -1 position (human). (*C*) \underline{m}^6A induced truncation sites (MITS) maps m^6A sites at its +1 position (human). (*D*) Summary of m^6A sites identified by different approaches (human). "All RACs" is the total number of RACs within m^6A peak regions. (*E*) m^6A sites identified by each type of analysis significantly overlaps with sites identified by other types of analyses. Left panel: mouse brain; Right panel: human. (*F*) Precisely mapped m⁶A sites are conserved in vertebrates regardless of the mapping approaches (human). "Control RACs" are the matched non-m⁶A RACs within the same m⁶A peak region as the m⁶A sites. ** p< 10⁻³, Wilcoxon rank-sum test. (*G*) m⁶A-CLIP/IP verifies precise m⁶A sites in MALAT1 RNA. "m⁶A-IP enrich." is m⁶A-IP reads normalized to its input. "m⁶A-CLIP/IP" is by m⁶A-CLIP/IP (the A marked in red); "SCARLET" is by Liu et al at (motif underlined). From left to right, these sites (Sites 2515, 2577, 2611, 2720) were located by 0 of substitution CIMS, +1 of MITS, -4 of CITS and -3 of CITS (see methods for precise mapping details).

Supplemental Figure 3. m^6A is enriched when entering last exons but not at stop codons. (*A*) Entering last exon, m^6A density increased sharply (lower panel) in contrast to its lagging increase when approaching stop codon (upper panel, data from human CD8 T cells and earlier publications). " m^6A peak density" was calculated as the number of m^6A peak region in a 10nt interval divided by the total number of mRNAs that contained this position. (*B*) m^6A is enriched in last exons but not around stop codons (data from human CD8 T cells and earlier publications). The upper panel is the m^6A peak region distribution around stop codons; the two lower panels are the distribution of m^6A peak regions and stop codons around last exon start. mRNAs were grouped according to their stop codon locations to last exon start. (*C*) m^6A is not enriched around stop codon when stop codon is not in last exon (data from human CD8 T cells and earlier publications). (*D*) Most exonic m^6A locate in last exon (human). The three pie graphs showed the relative proportions of m^6A peaks, RAC and RRACU motif in last exon and other exons with 100% representing all m^6A peaks/RAC/RRACU on mRNA.

Supplemental Figure 4. Short last exons have lower m^6A density . (*A*) The color-coded definition of last exon legnth. (*B*) Mouse brain data: The m^6A density in last exons were compared among long and short last exons. All genes considered are multi-exon coding genes with RPKM>=1 in mouse brain. " m^6A peak density" was calculated as the number of m^6A peak region in a 10nt interval divided by the total number of mRNAs that contained this position. (*C*) RAC density show little difference among long and short last exons expressed in mouse brain. (*D*) Human CD8 T cell data: All genes condisered are multi-exon coding and short last exons expressed in RPKM>=1 in human.

Supplemental Figure 5. Higher m⁶A levels in last exons correlates with more distal polyA site usage. (*A*) m⁶A is more abundant near proximal sites that are used less frequently (black line, left panel); when distal sites are used more, the m⁶A level is higher until polyA site is reached (black line, right panel). The error bar is standard error of mean at each position. The shaded area highlights major area of difference between two groups, **, p< 10⁻³⁵, Fisher Exact Test. "used more" means a >=60% usage of all polyA sites and "used less" means a <=40% usage. Other cutoffs including 50% or 70% produce the same findings. The expression of mRNAs in regions between proximal and distal polyA sites is adequate for m⁶A detection (RPKM>=1). Human data is presented here. (*B*) Distal alternative polyA sites in last exons are used more often in brains for co-expressed mRNAs. Alternative polyA site pairs with statistically significant differences in usage are highlighted in orange (higher usage of distal sites in brain) or blue (higher usage of distal sites in liver). FDR =5%, Fisher exact test. (*C*) Positional plot of m⁶A

peaks around alternative polyA sites in last exons (FDR=5% for detecting changed alternative polyA sites). "m⁶A peak density (brain - liver)" for each position was calculated as the number of m⁶A peak regions that were higher in brain (orange points in Fig. 4C) in a 10nt interval divided by the total number of mRNAs that contained this position. Orange and grey lines represent more distal usage and no change in brain respectively. The expression of mRNAs in regions between proximal and distal polyA sites is adequate for m⁶A detection in both tissues (RPKM>=1). Error bar: standard error of mean. The shaded area highlighted the major area of difference between two groups. **, p< 10^{-20} , Fisher exact test.

Supplemental Figure 6. Global limitation of m⁶A changed alternative polyA sites in last exons. Alternative polyA site pairs with statistically significant differences in usage are highlighted in orange (higher usage of proximal sites in knockdown) or blue (higher usage of proximal sites in control). FDR=5%, Fisher exact test. The mRNAs using two alternative polyA sites in last exon and with m⁶A presence at proximal polyA sites are summerized. The p value for directionality was caluclated by binomial test.

Supplemental Figure 7. Specific examples of m⁶A loss and more usage of proximal polyA sites. (A) the DNAJB11 gene: m⁶A-IP enrichment value is calculated by normalizing m⁶A-IP reads to its input. "m⁶A WT" (black) is the m⁶A-IP enrichment value for WT (wild type, i.e. before knockdown); "m⁶A KD" (grey) is the m⁶A-IP enrichment value for KD (knockdown); "PolyA WT" (black) shows the polyA site usages for proximal polyA site (left) and distal polyA site (right) before knockdown, and "PolyA

KD" (grey) shows the polyA site usages for proximal polyA site (left) and distal polyA site (right) after knockdown. The PolyA value for the major site between proximal and distal sites was set to 1 and the value for the minor site was adjusted proportionally. (*B*) the NDUFA6 gene. (*C*) the TMEM206 gene. (*D*) the ZNF142 gene. (*E*) the PTEN gene.



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