

*A quantitative investigation of linker histone interactions with
nucleosomes and chromatin*

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Supplementary Figures:**Supplementary Figure 1: Validation of FRET and competition assays**

a) 5% native PAGE of samples taken from a HI-FI competition experiment between S31/30 (10 nM) and A1/10 (0-500 nM), for H1_{FL} (1 nM). The gel was visualized at the indicated wavelengths, then stained with ethidium bromide. Lanes 1-6 are H1_{FL} with decreasing amounts of A1/10 (500, 62.5, 15.6, 1.95, 0.244, 0.0305 nM, respectively). Lane 7 is S31/30 Atto647N nucleosome alone. Donor signal with H1_{FL} remains with S31/30 nucleosome as more A1/10 nucleosome competitor is added (lanes 1-6: middle gel) indicating that A1/10 nucleosome is unable to compete H1_{FL} from the S31/30 nucleosome.

b) Representative (de)quenching curves of S30/30 nucleosome with the H2A.Z histone variant (S30/30.z) reconstituted with mouse histones, to measure the interaction with H1*_{FL}. H1_{FL} was held constant at 0.08-0.1 nM and S30/30.z nucleosome was titrated (0-25 nM). Curves were fit with a quadratic equation (*Eq. 3*).

c) Representative (de)quenching curve of NLE-Tri (NLE-Tri.z) nucleosome with the H2A.z histone variant containing mouse histones, upon binding to H1*_{FL}. H1_{FL} was held constant at 0.08-0.1 nM and NLE-Tri.z nucleosome was titrated (0-25 nM). Curves were fit with *Eq. 3*.

Supplementary Figure 2: Analysis of NLE-Tri – H1 complexes by Atomic Force Microscopy

NLE-Tri was imaged with AFM alone or in presence of H1_{FL} (molar ratio of 1 H1 per 1 NLE-Tri array).

a) Digital zooms of AFM scan with example height trace(s) of NLE-Tri alone (left) or with H1_{FL} (right). Height increases 1.3 to 1.9 nm when H1_{FL} is present.

b) Upper two panels: Digital zoom of scans of NLE-Tri alone showing the open geometry of the trinucleosome. Lower two panels: Digital zoom of scans of NLE-Tri in the presence of H1_{FL} depicting the closed trinucleosome.

Supplemental Figure 3: Representative FRET curves, and competition with H1 C-terminal tail deletion constructs.

- a) Representative competition experiment between S31/30 (10 nM) and the indicated unlabeled nucleosome (0-500 nM) for H1₁₋₁₂₁ (1 nM). Curves were fit with *Eq. 4*.
- b) Representative competition curves between S31/30 (20 nM) and the indicated unlabeled nucleosome (0-500 nM) for H1₁₋₉₆ (1 nM). Curves were fit with *Eq. 4*.
- c and d) Representative (de)quenching isotherm of (c) LE-Tri (0-25 nM) or (d) NLE-Tri (0-25 nM) for H1₁₋₁₂₁ (0.1 nM). Data were fit with *Eq 3*.

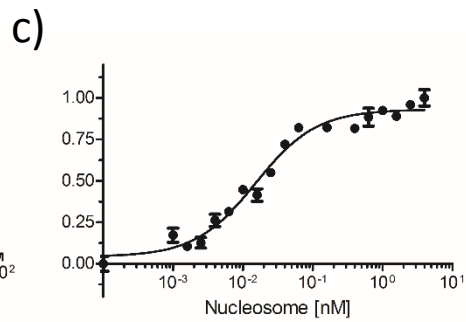
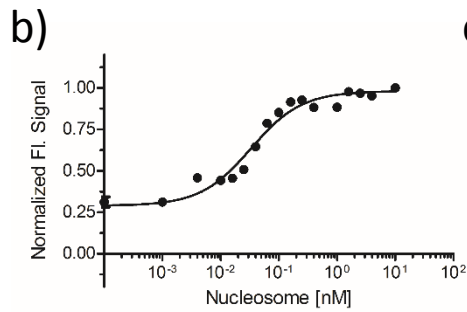
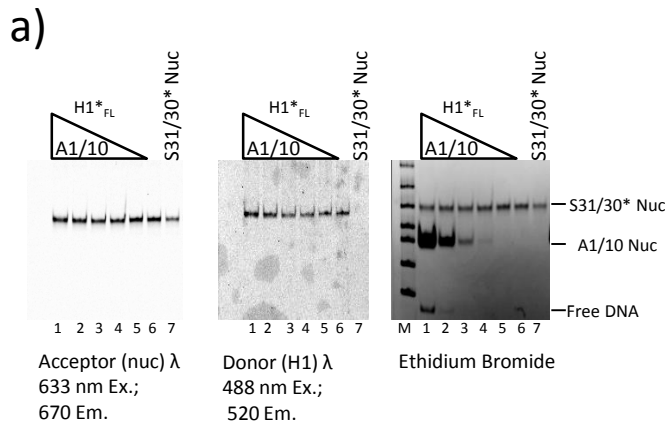
Supplemental Figure 4: Validation of NLE-Tri and LE-Tri saturation and H1 purification.

- a) Representative (de)quenching curves of H1_{FL} purified with the published method demonstrating the effect of prep age on H1_{FL} affinity. Upper panel: bi-phasic nature of H1-nucleosome interaction after storage of H1 at 4⁰C for ~4 days. The gray curve is S30/30 (from figure 3b right). Lower panel: the bi-phasic curve (above) separated into 2 binding isotherms (lower and upper) fit with *eq 3*. *Lower portion (black) has a K_d of 0.022 +/- 0.0046 ($R^2=0.901$); upper portion (dark gray) has a K_d of 3.32 +/- 0.87 ($R^2=0.89$).*
- b) 15% polyacrylamide SDS PAGE of H1 derivatives using an improved purification method (Lanes 2-6), fluorescent image (top) and Imperial protein stain (bottom). Lanes 2-4 are the indicated H1 derivative which had previously been frozen. Lane 5: freshly made protein; lane 6: unlabeled H1_{FL}. Degradation of H1_{FL} occurs rapidly (in less than one week) at 4⁰C storage (lane 7); this is only seen when visualized by fluorescence.
- c) Sequences of all mono-nucleosome DNA fragments used in this study. Trinucleosomes sequences are 3 copies of S30/30.
- d) Trinucleosomes were analyzed for degree of saturation. EcoRI digestion of NLE-Tri (top) and LE-Tri (bottom); the absence of free 207 DNA indicates the trinucleosome is saturated. U: uncut, C: cut. Lane 1: uncut trinucleosome; lane 2: EcoRI-treated; lane 3: S30/30 nucleosome control; lane 4: S30/30 bp DNA.
- e) Analysis of trinucleosomes by analytical ultracentrifugation (AUC). Sedimentation coefficients ($S_{(20,w)}$) for trinucleosome substrates. NLE-Tri = ~16S; LE-Tri = ~18S. Both trinucleosome

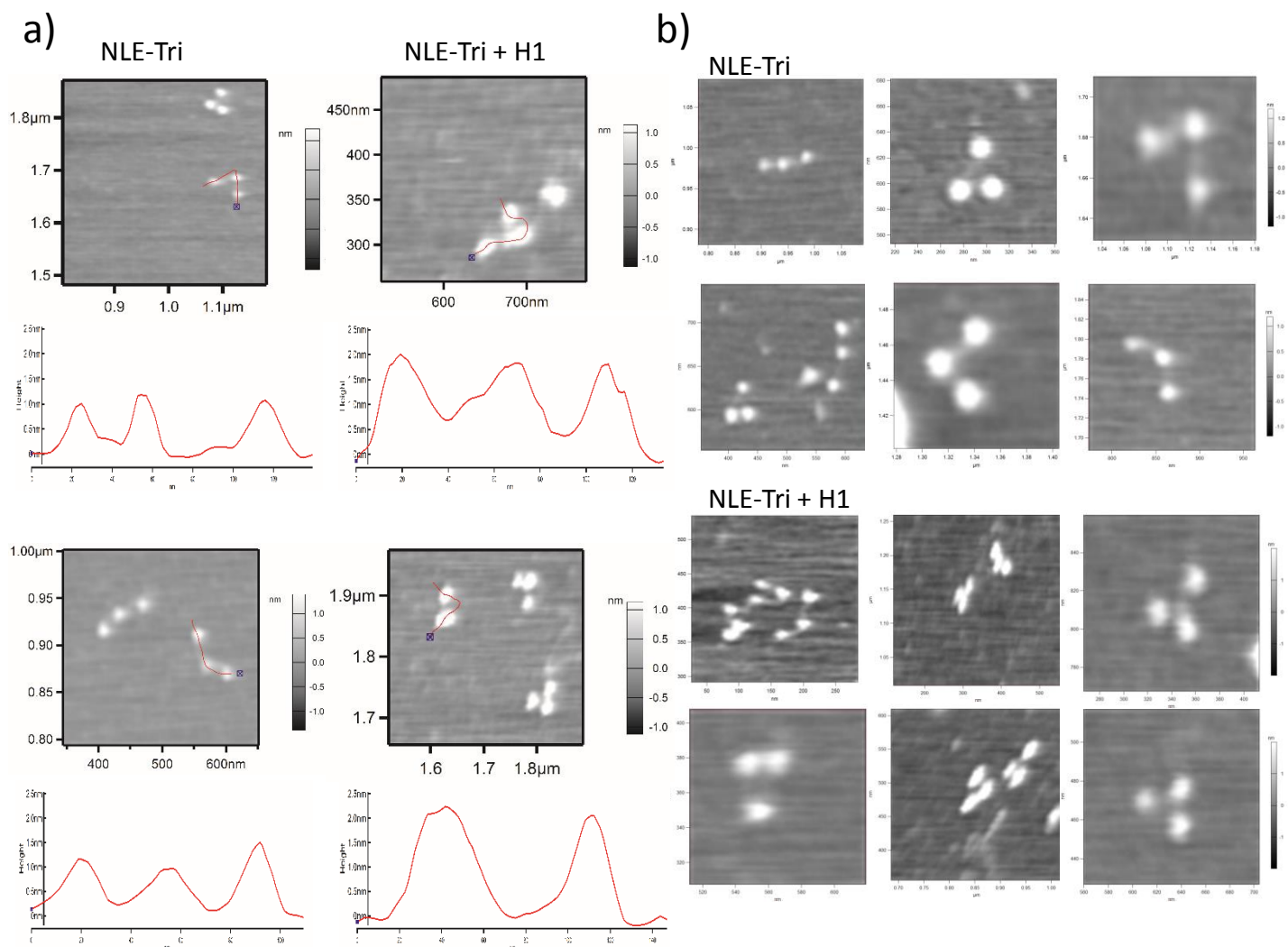
substrates were reconstituted with mouse histones and have a slightly different S_{50} compared to published results using *Xenopus laevis* histones ¹.

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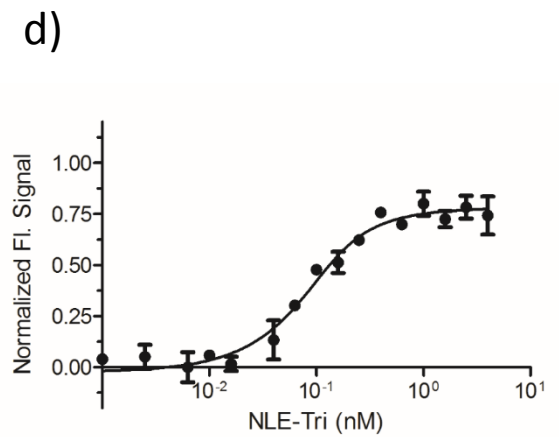
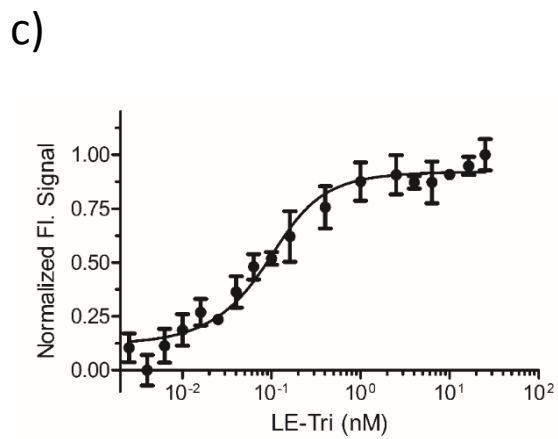
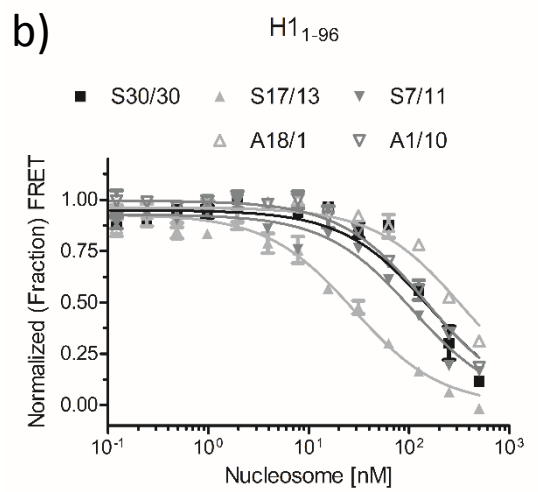
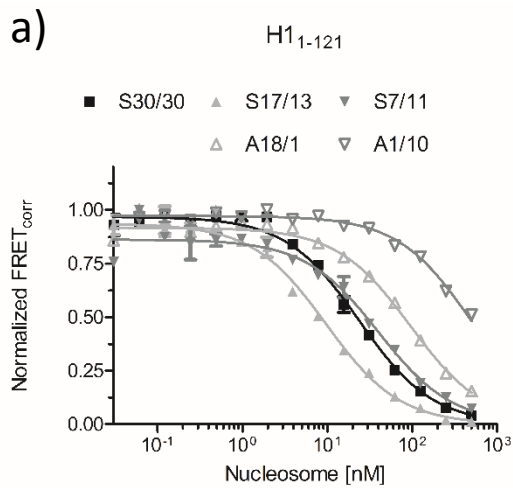
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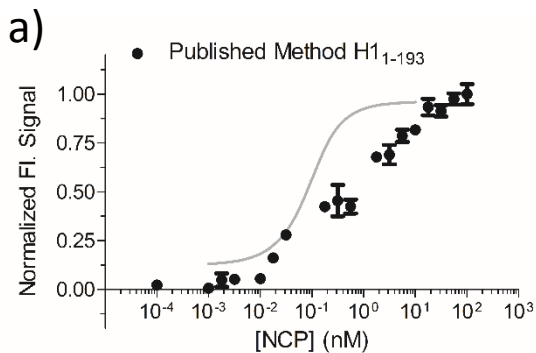


Supplementary Figure 1



Supplementary Figure 2





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A18/1     -ATC-----C---CTATACGCGGCCGCCCTGGAGAATCCCCGGTGCC
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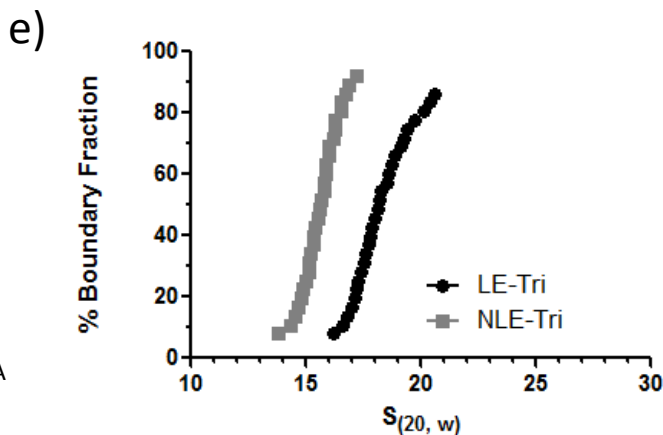
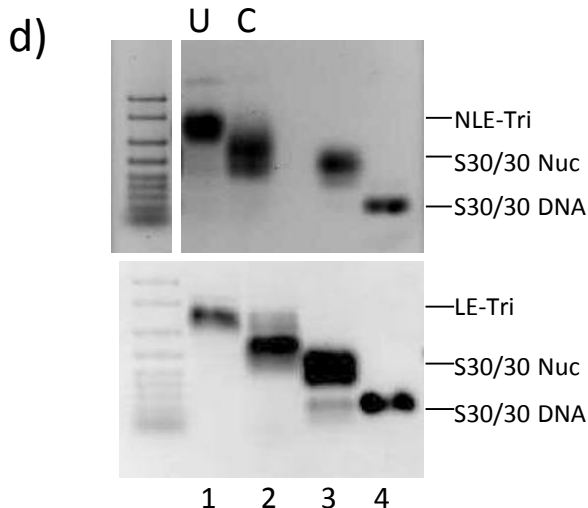
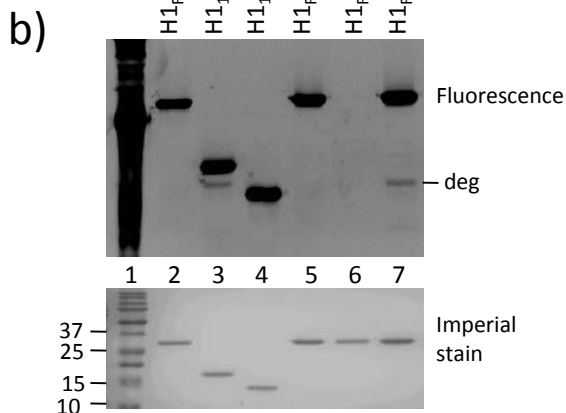
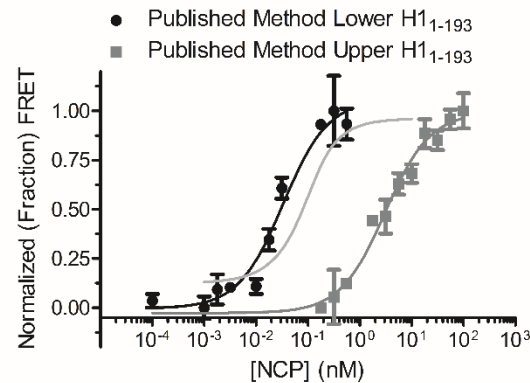
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Supplementary Figure 4