

Supplemental Information

Structural Mechanism of Transcriptional Regulator NSD3 Recognition by the ET Domain of BRD4

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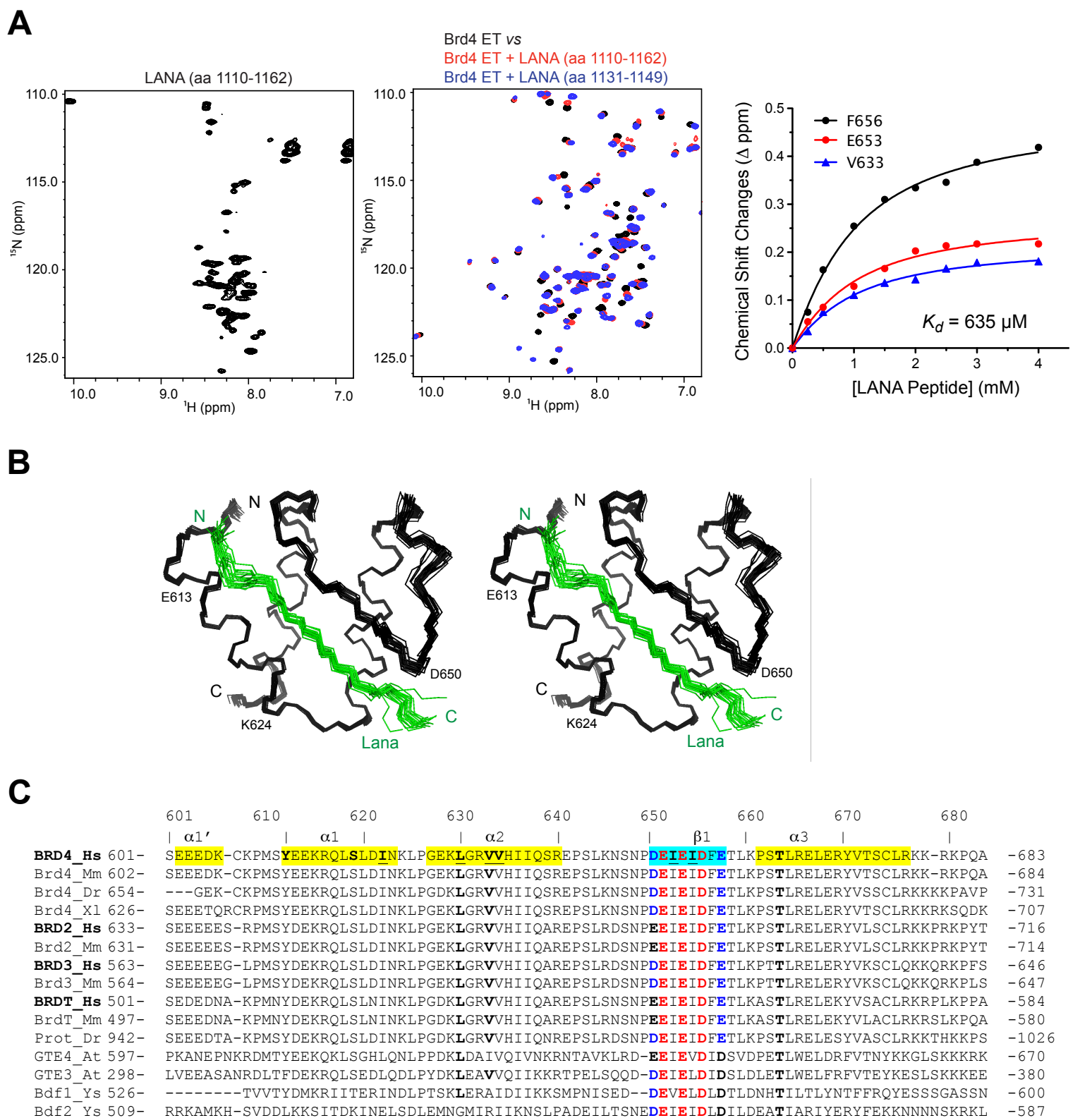


Figure S1. NMR structural analysis of the BRD4 ET domain-LANA complex. Related to Figure 1.

(A) Identification of the ET domain binding site in the C-terminal region of LANA. Left, 2D ^1H - ^{15}N HSQC spectrum of LANA C-terminal segment (residues 1110-1162). Middle, 2D ^1H - ^{15}N HSQC spectra of the BRD4 ET domain in the free state (black) or in the presence of peptides derived from the C-terminal region of LANA (blue and red), as indicated. Right, determination of binding affinity of the LANA peptide (residues 1133-1144) to the BRD4 ET domain by NMR titration using 2D ^1H - ^{15}N HSQC spectroscopy.

(B) The structure of the BRD4 ET domain in complex with a LANA peptide (QSSIVKFKKPLP, residues 1133-1144) is shown as stereoview of the backbone atoms (N, C α and C') of 25 superimposed NMR structures of the complexes (left).

(C) Structure-based sequence alignment of the ET domains from BRD4 proteins of human, mouse, fly, zebrafish and yeast. The conserved residues at the peptide binding site are indicated in bold, and highlighted in red for the absolutely conserved and blue for highly conserved. The key residues that are located in the peptide binding site are shown in bold and underlined.

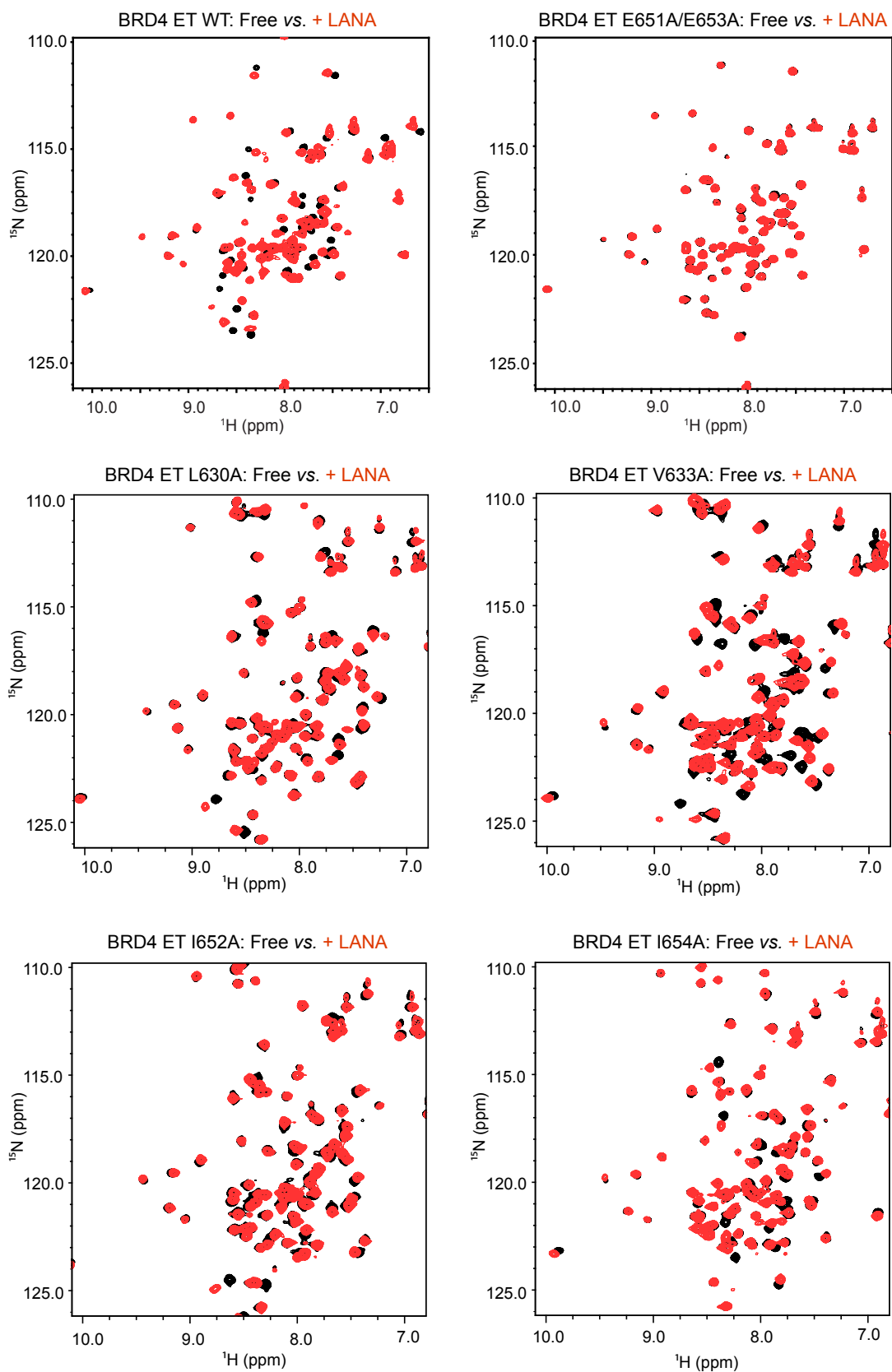


Figure S2. Mutational analysis of the BRD4 ET domain binding to the LANA peptide by NMR. Related to Figure 1. Superposition of 2D ^1H - ^{15}N HSQC spectra of the Brd4 ET wild-type, or mutants (L630A, V633A, I652A, I654A, and E651A/E653A) in the free form (black) versus in the presence of the LANA peptide (red, residues 1033-1044), respectively. The protein concentration was 0.1 mM and the molar ratio of the protein to peptide was kept at 1:5.

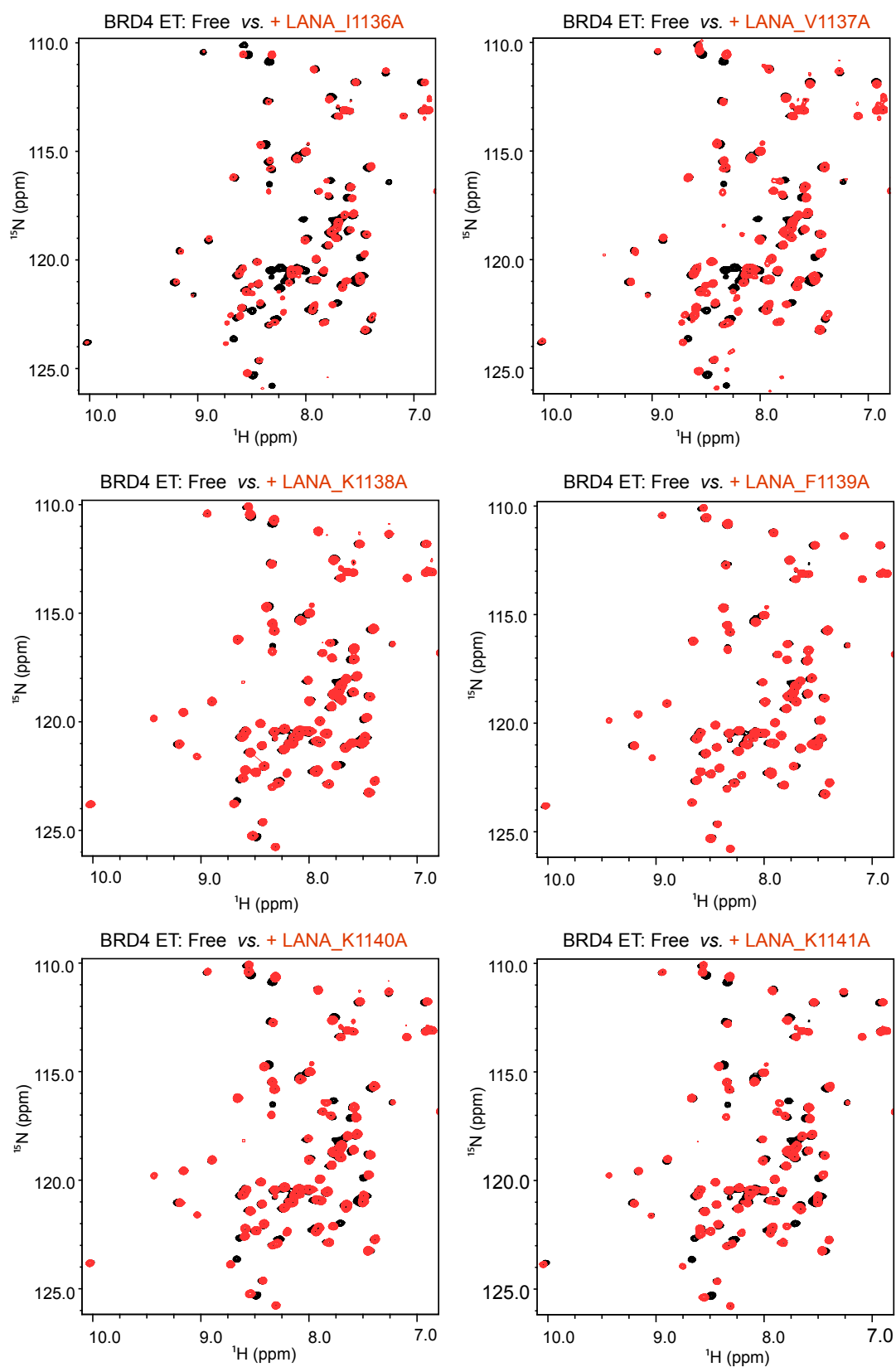


Figure S3. Assessing effects of LANA mutations on binding to the Brd4 ET domain by NMR. Related to Figure 1. Superposition of 2D ^1H - ^{15}N HSQC spectra of the BRD4 ET domain in the free form (black) versus in the presence of mutant LANA peptide (red): LANA-I1136A; LANA-1137A; LANA-K1138A; LANA-F1139A; LANA-K1140A; LANA-K1141A. The protein concentration was 0.1 mM and the molar ratio of the protein to peptide was kept at 1:5.

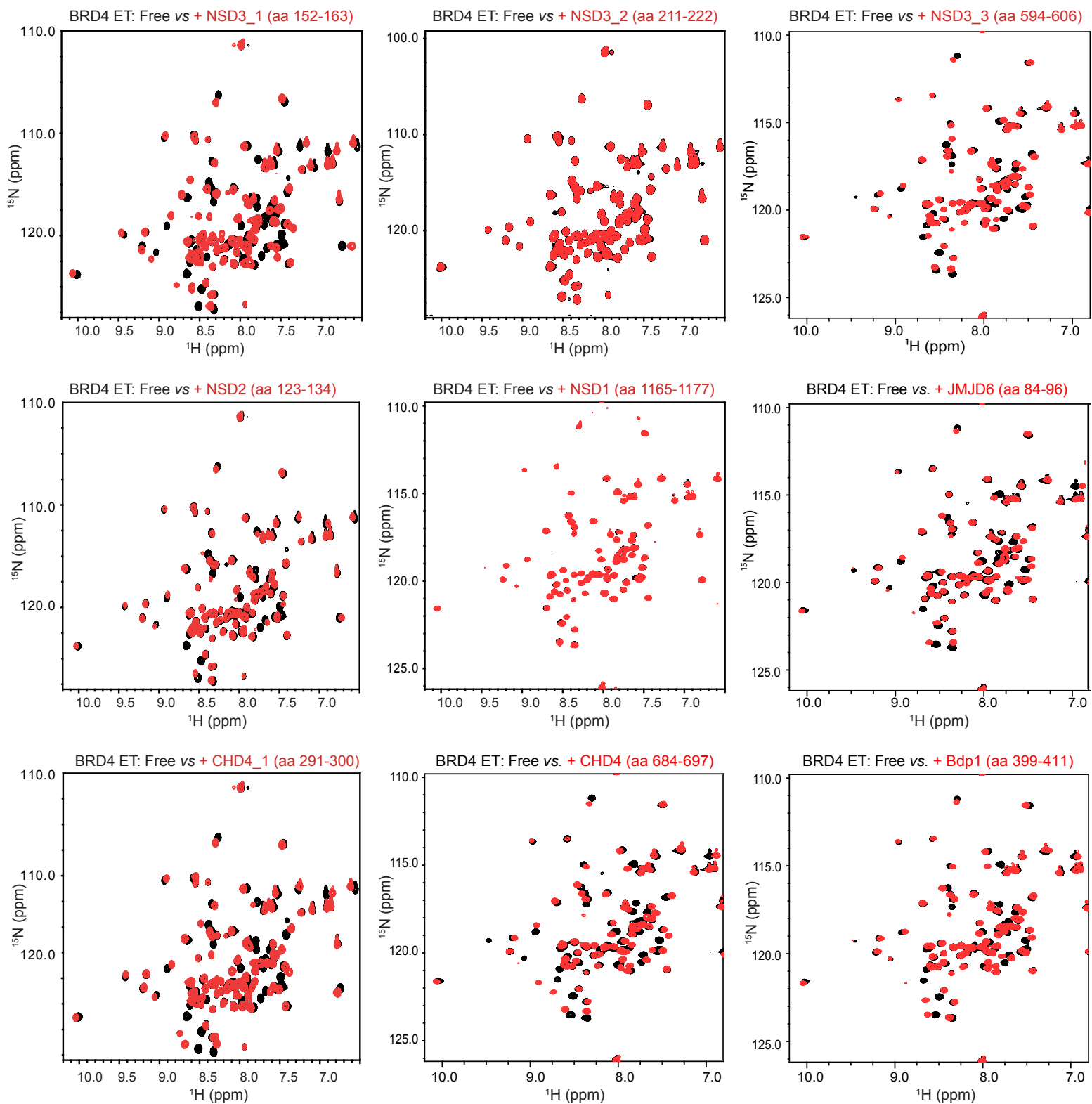


Figure S4. Characterization of the BRD4 ET domain binding motif in proteins in gene transcription. Related to Figure 2. Superposition of 2D ^1H - ^{15}N HSQC spectra of the BRD4 ET domain in the free form (black) versus in the presence of a peptide derived various proteins as indicated (red). The protein concentration was 0.1 mM and the molar ratio of the protein to peptide was kept at 1:5.

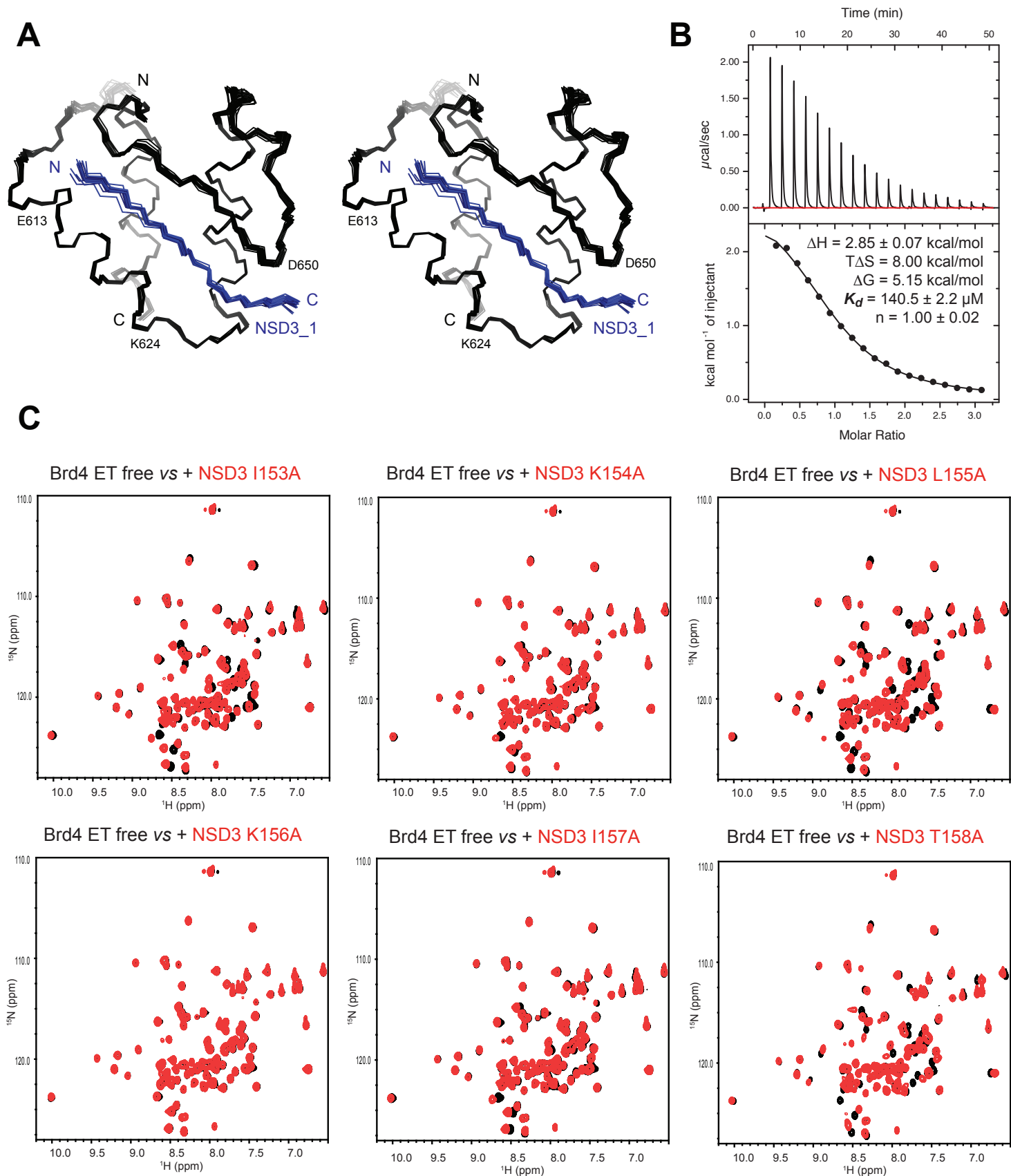


Figure S5. NMR structural analysis of the BRD4 ET domain binding to NSD3. Related to Figure 2.

(A) The structure of the BRD4 ET domain in complex with a NSD3-1 peptide (EIKLKITKTIQN, residues 152-163) is shown as stereoview of the backbone atoms (N, C α and C') of 25 superimposed NMR structures of the complex (left).

(B) ITC determination of binding affinity of NSD3-1 peptide (SPEIKLKITKT, residues 150-160) to the ET domain of BRD4.

(C) Superposition of 2D ^1H - ^{15}N HSQC spectra of the BRD4 ET domain in the free form (black) versus in the presence of various NSD3 peptides carrying point Ala mutation as indicated (red). The protein concentration was 0.2 mM and the molar ratio of the protein to peptide was kept at 1:5. The NMR sample sodium phosphate buffer used consists of 50 mM Na_2HPO_4 - NaH_2PO_4 at pH6.5, containing 2.0 mM EDTA and 2.0 mM DTT.

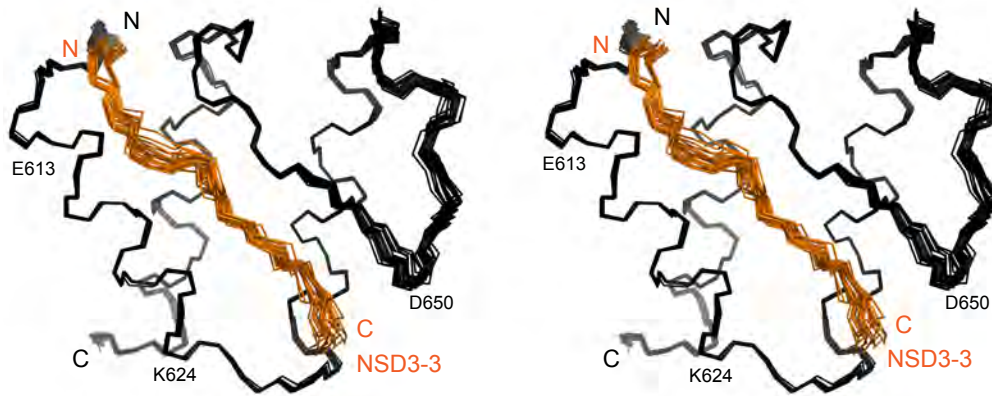
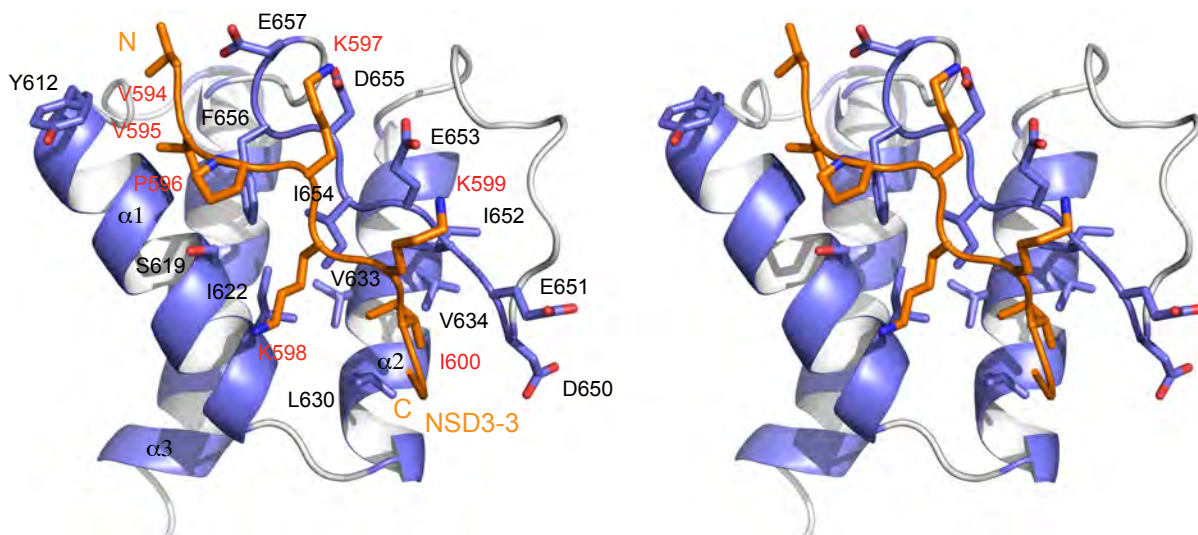
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Figure S6. NMR structural analysis of BRD4 ET domain binding to different sites in NSD3. Related to Figure 2.
(A) The structure of the BRD4 ET domain in complex with a NSD3-3 peptide (VVPKKIKKEQVE) is shown as stereoview of the backbone atoms (N, C α and C') of 25 superimposed NMR structures of the complex.
(B) Ribbons representation of the average minimized NMR structure of the BRD4 ET domain/NSD3-3 peptide complex in a similar orientation, prepared using Pymol (middle).

Table S1. Putative ET domain binding sites in proteins involved in gene transcription. Related to Figure 2.

The identification of putative ET domain binding motifs in cellular proteins was done using Scan Prosite program (<http://prosite.expasy.org>), as described in detail in Experimental Procedures. Note that RBBP4 is identified as one of Brd4 ET domain associated proteins reported by Rahman and colleagues (2011).

UniProKB_ID	Protein name	Putative ET domain binding sites	Residue numbers
P51532	Transcription activator BRG1	SRS VVKVI KLG	1590-1600
		SVK VKIKL GRK	1592-1602
Q9NR48	Histone-lysine N-methyltransferase ASH1L	EGN LKLKI GLQ	82-92
Q12873	Chromodomain-helicase-DNA-binding protein 3	MAP LKIKL GLL	289-299
Q03164	Histone-lysine N-methyltransferase 2A	FPG VKIKI THG	228-238
Q8NEZ4	Histone-lysine N-methyltransferase 2C	KPK LKLKI INQ	1200-1211
Q8WVC0	RNA polymerase-associated protein LEO1	RTR LKLK VENT	409-419
Q5JPI9	Protein-lysine N-methyltransferase METTL10	LSN IKLKV EDF	127-137
Q6ZTZ1	Myb/SANT-like DNA-binding domain-containing protein 1	GEE IKIKI TNM	92-102
P35579	Myosin-9	NKE LKVKL QEM	1787-1797
Q00872	Myosin-binding protein C	HAS IKVKV VDF	609-619
Q9H3P2	Negative elongation factor A	GGA VKLKL LLG	49-59
Q96D46	60S ribosomal export protein NMD3	SKR LKVKL TIQ	107-117
Q9ULI1	NACHT and WD repeat domain-containing protein 2	DAAL LKIKI IATS	1650-1660
Q86SE9	Polycomb group RING finger protein 5	FLS LKLKL PSS	179-189
Q9NUG6	p53 and DNA damage-regulated protein 1	RKQ LKVKV NRL	92-102
Q92576	PHD finger protein 3	NKE IKVKV DNI	1520-1530
Q09028	Histone-binding protein RBBP4*	LRN LKLKL HSF	303-313
Q16576	Histone-binding protein RBBP7	LRN LKLKL HTF	302-312
Q9Y580	RNA-binding protein 7	GPV IKVKI PKD	34-44
Q2KHR2	DNA-binding protein RFX7	SPD IKVKE GS	657-667
Q9H1D9	DNA-directed RNA polymerase III subunit RPC6	MAE VKVKV QPP	1-11
Q9H9Y6	DNA-directed RNA polymerase I subunit RPA2	AMN IKVKL DVV	1125-1135
Q86TU7	Histone-lysine N-methyltransferase setd3	HDR VKIKL GVS	334-344
Q9C086	INO80 complex subunit B.	KPQ LKLKI KLG	66-76
		QLK LKIKL GGQ	68-78
O60583	Cyclin-T2	TSP IKMKI PIA	478-488
		KEE LKMKI KVS	520-530
		ELK MKIKV SSS	522-532
Q9BZH6	WD repeat-containing protein 11.	ADV VKVK WARE	62-72
O75083	WD repeat-containing protein 1.	GPP FKFKF TIG	177-187
Q9P2L0	WD repeat-containing protein 35	NFM IKMKL SCL	188-198
Q6NYC1	Bifunctional arginine demethylase and lysyl-hydroxylase JMJD6	GYS VKMKM KYY	107-117
Q96N64	PWWP domain-containing protein 2A	SNS LKMKV FSK	630-640
Q96EB1	Elongator complex protein 4	ESN IKMKI AWR	153-163
Q8TD26	Chromodomain-helicase-DNA-binding protein 6	MKMKI QKK	1-8
O14867	Transcription regulator protein BACH1	FQF LKFKF LDS	123-133
Q9P281	BAH and coiled-coil domain-containing protein 1	NMV VKVKV FYH	2516-2526
P56524	Histone deacetylase 4	STE VKMKL QEF	168-178
Q9UGU5	HMG domain-containing protein 4	PDG LKMKL ILS	187-197
Q9UIG0	Tyrosine-protein kinase BAZ1B	EKM LKVKI VKI	137-147
Q9NYF8	Bcl-2-associated transcription factor 1	RPE VKLKM APV	544-554
P49336	Cyclin-dependent kinase 8	DYD FKVKL SSE	2-12

Table S2. Primers used in this study. Related to Figures 2 and 3

The names of genes that the primers were designed to target are as shown. F and R stand for forward and reverse primers, respectively.

Gene	Primer sequence
m <i>Gapdh</i> RT_F	TTCACCACCATGGAGAAGGC
m <i>Gapdh</i> RT_R	CCCTTTTGGCTCCACCCT
m <i>Nsd3</i> RT_F	TCCTTACCAGCCTCCATCAC
m <i>Nsd3</i> RT_R	CCCATCTCCTGTTGCATTCT
m <i>Myc</i> RT_F	GCCGATCAGCTGGAGATGA
m <i>Myc</i> RT_R	GTCGTCAGGATCGCAGATGAAG
m <i>Myb</i> RT_F	GCTGAAGAAGCTGGTGG AAC
m <i>Myb</i> RT_R	CAACGCTTCGGACCATATTT
m <i>Check1</i> RT_F	ATTCTATGGCCACAGGAGGG
m <i>Check1</i> RT_R	ATAAACCACCCCTGCCATGA
m <i>Chst13</i> RT_F	CAGTGTTCGTTGAAGGGCTC
m <i>Chst13</i> RT_R	TTGTGTGCCCAAGAAGATGC
m <i>Elane</i> RT_F	TGGCCTCAGAGATTGTTGGT
m <i>Elane</i> RT_R	TACCTGCACTGACCGGAAAT
m <i>Hmgb2</i> RT_F	GAACACCCAGGCCTGTCTAT
m <i>Hmgb2</i> RT_R	TTCCTGCTTCACTTTTGCCC