

Expanded View Figures

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Figure EV1. Dm Nanos interacts with subunits of the deadenylase complexes.

- A Domain organization of *Hs* and *Dm* NOT1. NOT1 consists of N-terminal (NOT1-N), middle (NOT1-M), and C-terminal regions (NOT1-C). NOT1-N contains two HEAT repeat domains (dark and light blue); NOT1-M contains a MIF4G domain that also consists of HEAT repeats and a three-helix bundle domain (CN9BD). NOT1-C contains another HEAT repeat domain, the NOT1 superfamily homology domain (SHD).
- B Northern blot analysis showing the decay of the F-Luc-5BoxB mRNA in S2 cells expressing the indicated proteins. The mRNA half-lives $(t_{1/2}) \pm$ standard deviations calculated from the decay curves of three independent experiments are indicated below the panels.
- C Tethering assay corresponding to the experiment described in Fig 1B but using an F-Luc reporter that lacks the BoxB hairpins. F-Luc activity was normalized to R-Luc and set to 100 in cells expressing λ N-HA. The panel shows mean values \pm standard deviations from three independent experiments.
- D GFP-tagged Nanos was coexpressed with an F-Luc reporter containing the *oskar* 3' UTR. R-Luc served as a transfection control. F-Luc activity was normalized to that of the R-Luc transfection control and set to 100 in cells expressing GFP. The panel shows mean values \pm standard deviations from three independent experiments.
- E Normalized luciferase activities corresponding to the experiment shown in Fig 3A and B.
- F Western blot analysis showing the expression of the DCP2 mutant (DCP2 E361Q) in the experiment described in Fig 3A and B. R-Luc-V5 served as a transfection control.
- G–M Western blot analysis showing the interaction of GFP-tagged *Dm* Nanos (full length) with HA-tagged deadenylase subunits. GFP-tagged firefly luciferase (F-Luc) served as a negative control. Proteins were immunoprecipitated using a polyclonal anti-GFP antibody. Inputs and immunoprecipitates were analyzed by Western blotting using anti-GFP and anti-HA antibodies. For the GFP-tagged proteins, 3% of the inputs and 10% of the immunoprecipitates were loaded, whereas for the HA-tagged proteins, 1% of the input and 30% of the immunoprecipitates were analyzed. In each panel, cell lysates were treated with RNase A prior to immunoprecipitation.

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Figure EV2. Dm Nanos interacts with decapping factors and the NOT module.

A-F Co-immunoprecipitation assays using GFP-tagged Dm Nanos (full length) and HA-tagged decapping factors. Samples were analyzed as described in Fig EV1G–M.
G-I Western blot analysis showing the interaction of GFP-tagged Dm Nanos and HA-tagged NOT1, NOT2, and NOT3 (either full length or the indicated fragments).
Proteins were immunoprecipitated from RNase A-treated cell lysates using anti-GFP antibodies. GFP-F-Luc served as a negative control. For the detection of GFP-tagged proteins, 3% of the input and 10% of the bound fractions were analyzed by Western blotting. For the detection of HA-tagged NOT1, 1.5% of the input and 35% of the bound fractions were analyzed, whereas for HA-NOT2 and HA-NOT3 proteins, 1% of the input and 30% of the immunoprecipitates were analyzed.

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A Alignment Drosophila NED



Figure EV3.

Figure EV3. Sequence alignment of the Nanos NED regions of the indicated Drosophila species.

- A The residues conserved in all of the aligned sequences are shown with a red background, and the residues with > 70% similarity are highlighted with a salmon background. The residues interacting with NOT1 and NOT3 are indicated by magenta and cyan diamonds, respectively, including main-chain and minor side-chain contacts. The residues mutated in this study are indicated by asterisks colored in blue (mutations that disrupt NOT module binding) and in orange (I123M mutation for the incorporation of selenomethionine as an anomalous scatterer).
- B Tethering assay using the F-Luc-5BoxB reporter in S2 cells expressing the indicated λ N-HA-tagged NED fragments. A plasmid-expressing R-Luc mRNA was used as a transfection control. The F-Luc activities were normalized to those of the R-Luc transfection control and set to 100 in the presence of the λ N-HA-GST. The panel shows mean values \pm standard deviations from three independent experiments.
- C Western blot analysis showing the expression of the λ N-HA-tagged proteins used in the experiment described in (B). GFP served as a transfection control.
- D An experiment similar to that described in (B) was performed using an F-Luc reporter that lacks the BoxB hairpins. The panel shows mean values \pm standard deviations from three independent experiments.
- E GST pull-down assay showing that the MBP-tagged Nanos3 NIM peptide does not compete with the GST-tagged Nanos NBR for binding to the purified NOT module.

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Figure EV4. Comparison of NOT module conformations and details of Dm Nanos NBR binding.

- A Superposition of the mutant NOT module (apo form) crystallized in space group P2₁ (blue; chains A, B, C), and the wild-type NOT module crystallized in space group P2₁2₁2 (red; PDB code 4COD; Boland *et al*, 2013).
- B Superposition of the mutant NOT module structure obtained in the absence (blue, chains A, B, C) and presence of the *Dm* Nanos NBR (orange; chains A, B, C). The NBR peptide is shown in red.
- C Superposition of the two NOT module complexes from the asymmetric unit of the crystals obtained in the presence of the *Dm* Nanos NBR peptide. Complex 1 (chains A, B, C) is colored in orange and complex 2 (chains E, F, G) in green. The NBR peptide is shown in red and dark green.
- D Crystal packing of the NOT module mutant bound to the Dm Nanos NBR peptide.
- E Orientation of NOT1 helix α 23 in the wild type (PDB code 4COD; Boland *et al*, 2013) and mutant NOT module apo complexes. Colors are as in (A). The black lines indicate the change in the relative orientation of the helix axes.
- F Orientation of the NOT1 helix α23 in the mutant NOT module complex as compared to the orientation in the complex of the NOT1 SHD with the human Nanos1 NIM (PDB code 4CQO; Bhandari *et al*, 2014).
- G Alternative view of the N1BM binding pocket centered on *Dm* Nanos F130. Selected residues of NOT1 and of the NBR peptide are shown as gray and red sticks, respectively. Residues mutated in this study are underlined.
- H Alternative view of the N3BM binding pocket centered on Dm Nanos F152. Selected residues of NOT3 and of the NBR peptide are shown as cyan and red sticks, respectively. Residues mutated in this study are underlined.
- I Additional close-up of the N3BM binding site emphasizing the role of NOT3 K737 with hydrogen bonds as dashed green lines. Residues mutated in this study are underlined.



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Figure EV5. Validation of the sequence assignment of the NBR peptide bound to the NOT module and activity of NBR mutants.

- A–D Anomalous difference Fourier map (black mesh) calculated at a resolution of 7.5 Å and contoured at the 4.0 σ level. Data (available as source data) were collected at the Selenium K-edge peak wavelength from a crystal containing selenomethionine-substituted *Dm* Nanos NBR peptide (123M mutant). The panels show close-up views of the binding sites of the N1BM (A, B) and the N3BM (C, D) in the same orientations as in Fig 6. Residues mutated in this study are underlined.
- E–G Western blot analysis showing the interaction of GFP-tagged *Dm* Nanos (wild type or 3xMut) with HA-tagged NOT1, NOT2, and NOT3. GFP-tagged firefly luciferase (F-Luc) served as a negative control. Proteins were immunoprecipitated using a polyclonal anti-GFP antibody. Inputs and immunoprecipitates were analyzed by Western blotting as described in Fig EV1G–M.
- H A tethering assay using the F-Luc-5BoxB reporter and the indicated λ N-HA-tagged proteins was performed in S2 as described in Fig 1B. The panel shows mean values \pm standard deviations from three independent experiments.
- ITethering assays in human HEK293T cells, using a β-globin reporter containing 6 binding sites (6xbs) for the MS2 protein and MS2-HA-tagged Hs Nanos2 (wild type
or the indicated variants, Nanos2 ΔNIM and Nanos2 NIM-to-NBR). In the Nanos2 NIM-to-NBR protein, the NIM was replaced by the Dm Nanos NBR. A plasmid
expressing an mRNA lacking MS2 binding sites (Control) served as a transfection control. The β-globin-6xbs mRNA levels were normalized to those of the control
mRNA and set to 100 in the presence of MS2-HA. The panel shows mean values \pm standard deviations from three independent experiments.
- J Northern blot of representative RNA samples corresponding to the experiment shown in (I).
- K Western blot analysis showing the expression of the MS2-tagged proteins used in the experiment shown in (I) and (J). V5-MBP served as a transfection control.
- L Co-immunoprecipitation assay in human HEK293T cells showing the interaction of V5-SBP-tagged Nanos2 (wild type or the indicated variants) with endogenous NOT1 and NOT3. V5-SBP-tagged GFP-MBP served as a negative control.

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