# Allele-specific repression of *Sox2* through the long noncoding RNA *Sox2ot*

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## Supplementary Figure S1



#### Supplementary Fig. S1.

Characterization of Soxot transcripts. (a) Genome browser view of Sox2otb and Sox2otc. Sequences that we isolated from primary mouse neurospheres were aligned to the mouse genome (Mm9). Multiple Sox2ot splice variants were identified. In addition, RLM-RACE identified two transcription start sites (TSSs) that are further upstream than previously identified TSSs. (b) Genome browser view of Sox2dot, for which we could not isolate 5' capped RNA sequences. (c) Multiple sequence alignments showing the conservation of the genomic sequence surrounding the exons of Sox2otb and Sox2otc from human to fugu. Sox2ot promoter sequences have been more strongly conserved. The grayscale of the blocks indicates the conservation strength. d) Sequence analysis of all splice variants did not show any coding potential using the coding potential calculator (CPC). (e) Predicted ATG protein starts for Sox2otb (top) and Sox2otc (bottom) using a translation initiation prediction program (http://atgpr.dbcls.jp/). Specificity and sensitivity of this program crossed at 46% at a ATGpr score threshold of 0.33 indicating that translation initiation of Sox2ot transcripts is rather unlikely. (f) Possible ORFs in Sox2otb and Sox2otc using NCBI's ORFfinder. (g) In vitro translation of the transcripts (marked # in (a)) did not reveal any polypeptide generation on a 8-20% SDS polyacrylamide gradient gel (left) or a 20% SDS polyacrylamide gel (right).

## Supplementary Figure S2



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Sox2ot RNA expression is correlated with Sox2 RNA expression. (a) Wholemount RNA ISH of E9.25 mouse embryos using antisense Sox2 and Soxot b/c RNA probes. Scale bar represents 1 mm. Dotted line indicates the position and plane of the transverse sections depicted in b. Scale bar represents 100 µm. (b) transverse sections of whole mounts depicted in a. op, olfactory placode; opv, optic vesicle; bv, brain vesicle; fbv, forebrain vesicle; hbv, hindbrain vesicle; \* indicates the location where the brain vesicle was punctured to eliminate probe trapping. (c) Whole mount RNA ISH of E9.25 mouse embryos using Sox2 and Soxot b/c sense control RNA probes. Scale bar represents 1 mm. (d) smFISH with Sox2ot intron 2 probe on day 4of N2B27 guided monolayer differentiation of wildtype mouse ESCs into the neural lineage. Sox2ot signal in green. Sox2 signal in red. Nuclei were visualized using DAPI. Scale bar represents 50  $\mu$ M. (e) Induction of Sox1 is accompanied by upregulation of the early neuronal marker Tubb3 as demonstrated by qRT-PCR analysis. Averages are from one representative differentiation experiment using two independent mouse ESC lines. Cells were differentiated as embryoid bodies in the presence of fetal bovine serum (FBS) or knockout replacement serum (KRS) and after 4 days ATRA was added. SDs are shown. Raw gRT-PCR values were normalized against  $\beta$ -Actin, and results are represented as fold induction to the levels of Sox1 and Tubb3 prior to differentiation (d0 in 2i medium). (f and g) Monolayer differentiation of mouse ESCs. (f) Sox2otbc expression is induced during neural differentiation in N2B27 + ATRA medium. (g) However not during BMP4-mediated mesendoderm differentiation of mESCs. Averages + SD are from one representative differentiation experiment using two independent mouse ESC lines. Raw gRT-PCR values were normalized against  $\beta$ -Actin, and results are represented as fold induction to the levels of Sox2otb/c prior to differentiation (d0). (h) nonlinear regression plot of relative Sox2 and Sox2ot levels showing a negative correlation. Black circles (mouse ESC lines), red circles (mouse NS lines), light red circle (NPC enriched differentiation), and blue circle (primary NPCs).

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**Analysis of** *Sox2ot* **knockin** *Sox2eGFP* **ESCs.** Original PFGE Southern blots belonging to Fig. 2d and 2e showing allele specific targeting of *Sox2eGFP* ESCs (a). Left panel *eGFP* probe, middle panel *Sox2ot* probe, right panel overlay of both blots. (b) *Sox2* (red) and *Sox2ot* (green) smFISH results in *Sox2eGFP* (left), *UbiCeGFP* (middle) *and UbiCSox2* ESCs (right). Nuclei are visualized by DAPI. Scale bar represents 20 μM.



*Sox2otb* overexpressing mouse ESCs are very similar to the parental *Sox2eGFP* mouse ESCs. Comparing relative RNA levels of *Nanog* (a) or *Oct4* (b) in WT, Sox2eGFP, *UbiCeGFP* and *UbiCSox2* ESCs. Values (+SD) are from three independent experiments of two mESC lines per genotype. (c) The mean SOX2 protein levels in WT, Sox2eGFP, *UbiCeGFP* and *UbiCSox2* ESCs as measured by flow cytometry. (d) Flow cytometric analysis of Brachyury positive cells upon CHIR99021-mediated mesendodermal differentiation of *Sox2eGFP*, *UbiCeGFP* and *UbiCSox2* cell lines at day 3.5 of differentiation. Controls are secondary antibody only and 293T cells which are negative for Brachyury.









Assessing the differences in histone modifcations between ESCs and NPCs. (a) First step: visual assessment of the differences, here depicted as density signal, of H3K4me3 ChIP-seq reads aligning to the region mouse chr 3: chr3:34,829,397-34,845,851 (mm8). (b) The mean H3K4me3 coverage and standard deviation of 25-basepair regions were extracted from UCSC over a 1250 bp region resulting in 50 data values. (c) The mean H3K4me3 coverage ± SEM for this 1250 bp region is depicted for embryonic stem cells (ES) and neural progenitor cells (NP). Students T-test was used to determine the differences. (d) Genome browser view of mouse chr3: 34,830,000-34,845,000 (mm8) depicting H3K4me1, H3K4me2, H3K4me3, H3K9me3 and H3K27me3 density peaks in chromatin of mouse ESCs and ESC-derived NPCs (Broad ChIPseq data).

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primer name Probes for DNA and RNA I	Sequence hybridisations
eGFP2.1for	5'-GAGCTGGACGGCGACGTAAACG-3'
eGFP2.1rev	5'-CGCTTCTCGTTGGGGTCTTTGCT-3'
mSox2otbforQ	5'-TTGATCCTCTGATGGGGAAG-3'
mSox2otbrev	5'-TTACACCAGCCTCCAAGACC-3'
mSox2OTbcforQ	5'-CTCGTCAGCCCAAGCTGGATC-3'
mSox2OTbcrevQ	5'-CTCGTCAGCCCAAGCTGGATC-3'
mSox2for	5'-GTTCTAGTGGTACGTTAGGCCTTC-3'
mSox2rev	5'-GGACATTTGATTGCCATGTTTATCTCG-3'
Sox2otTargetProbefor	5'-GTGGTGGACAGTCACAGGTC-3'
Sox2otTargetProberev	5'-GTCAAGGCTTATGGGAATCG-3'
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#### qPCR

mSox2OTbcforQ mSox2OTbcrevQ mSox1UTRforQ mSox1UTRrevQ mSox2UTRforQ mSox2UTRrevQ bActinforQ bActinrevQ mMyl6revQ mMyl6forQ mTubb3forQ mTubb3revQ mBra(T)revQ' mBra(T)forQ Neat1forQ Neat1revQ 18SforQ 18SrevQ

#### ChIP

Sox2otH3K4me3for Sox2otH3K4me3rev mMyl6revQ mMyl6forQ

### 3C

SRR1 IntergenicNegF SCR-P300boxDD Dppa2intV Dppa2baitZ

5'-GACGCTGATGGGAGAGACTGGTC-3' 5'-CTCGTCAGCCCAAGCTGGATC-3' 5'-CCGAGCGCCAGGTGACATC-3' 5'-GTTGGCATCGCCTCGCTGG-3' 5'-GTTCTAGTGGTACGTTAGGCGCTTC-3' 5'-GGACATTTGATTGCCATGTTTATCTCG-3' 5'-TCGGTGAGCAGCACAGGGTG-3' 5'-CGCCCTAGGCACCAGGGTGTG-3' 5'-CTCGGCGTTGGTAGGGTTCTG-3' 5'-CAAGGAGGCTTTCCAGCTGTTTG-3' 5'-TGGACAGTGTTCGGTCTGG-'3 5'-CCTCCGTATAGTGCCCTTTGG-'3 5'-GTCCAGCAAGAAAGAGTACATGGC-3' 5'-GCTTCAAGGAGCTAACTAACGAG-3' 5'-ACTGGGTGGTTGAGTGGCAA-3 5'-TCTGAGCAGGGCTGTGAACC-3 5'-CTCAACACGGGAAACCTCAC-3' 5'-CGCTCCACCAACTAAGAACG-3'

5'- GAGGGTGTGTTTATTCCTGCTCCAG-3' 5'- GCAACGGCTCCTGAATGTCCATC-3' 5'- CTCGGCGTTGGTAGGGTTCTG-3'

5'- CAAGGAGGCTTTCCAGCTGTTTG-3'

5'-TTCGCCACCGTTGTCCACATC-3' 5'-GCAGTCTGTGCGTACCATTCTG-3' 5'-TCCAGGCTAGAGGACAGTTTGTATAAT-3' 5 AACGACTTGATTGTTCTTCCAGGT'-3 5'-CCTCTGACTAAGGTACCCACACT-3'

### **Supplementary Methods Information**

**ChIP-seq data processing as performed and described by Mikkelsen et al. 2007** (*Genome-wide maps of chromatin state in pluripotent and lineage-committed cells. Nature. 2007* 448:553-60)

Sequence reads from each IP experiment were aligned to the mouse reference genome (mm8) using the ARACHNE computational pipeline. First, a table was precomputed to associate all possible 12-mers with all of their occurrences in the genome. For each ChIP-Seq read (forward and reverse complement orientation), each potential start point was then found and the number of mismatches in the corresponding gap-free alignment was computed. All uniquely aligned reads (defined as the second to best alignment having >2 mismatches more than the best alignment, and the total mismatch count being <=6) were kept. If multiple reads aligned to the same starting position, only one were kept. Fragment densities were computed by counting the number of reads (extended to 300 bp) overlapping each position in the genome (at 25 bp resolution). Non-unique positions in the reference genome were pre-computed by aligning every 27-mer in the genome to the whole genome and masking positions that did not meet the uniqueness criteria defined above.