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## Supplementary Materials for

## No evidence for DNA N<sup>6</sup>-methyladenine in mammals

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**Fig. S1. Antibody detection of 6mdA in mammals is flawed.** (A) Immuno-dot blot showing relative 6mdA abundance in human CD4+ T-cells during *in vitro* differentiation, for n = 4 biological replicates and n = 2 independent 6mdA antibodies. (B) Immuno-dot blot and mycoplasma contamination status showing loss of 6mdA signal upon antibiotic based removal of *Mycoplasma spp*. contamination from cultured 293T cells, n = 1. +DAM, Human CD4+ T-cell DNA treated with bacterial deoxyadenosine methylase (DAM). (C) Immuno-dot blot showing

specificity of 6mdA antibodies. 10 ng DNA was loaded in each well. \*α-fC antibody was not tested. (**D**) Generation of DAM methylated Jurkat cell genomic DNA. *dam*, DNA methyltransferase modifies the adenine residue (N6) in the sequence 5'-GATC-3'. *DpnI*, only cleaves the sequence 5'-GATC-3' when methylated. *MboI* only cleaves the sequence 5'-GATC-3' when not methylated. (**E**) Immuno-dot blot showing relative sensitivity of two 6mdA antibodies. As controls 10 ng of polynucleotide dsDNA fragments (Suppl. Data 2) equivalent to 16 fmol of the modification were loaded onto the dot blot and incubated with antibody against 6mA (SYSY). (**F**) Immuno-dot blot of whole genome amplified Jurkat cell DNA with antibodies specific for 6mdA, 5hmC and a non-specific IgG antibody. (B, E, F) WGA, whole genome amplified CD4+ T-cell DNA.



Fig. S2. Extended analysis of repetitive elements and mappability for 6mdA DIP-seq. (A) Fraction of enriched DIP-seq peaks located in all Repeatmasker repetitive elements or (B) classes for 6mA (n = 16) from multiple studies (n = 4) and expected genomic fractions from hg38. (C) Fraction of enriched DIP-seq peaks per Mbp along hg38 chromosomes for 6mA (n =16) or 5mC (n = 45). Bottom right panel indicates the genome-wide correlation with LINE1 elements measured by Pearson correlation per sample. Location of LINE1 elements and assembly gaps obtained from UCSC Repeatmasker and gap track, respectively.



**Fig. S3. Extended analysis of 6mdA DIP-seq read splicing and genic location.** (A) Metagene signal over gene bodies normalized to 1x depth (reads per genome coverage, RPGC) for DIP-seq 6mA (n = 16), 5hmC (n = 1), 5mC (n = 3) and RNA RIP-seq m<sup>6</sup>A (n = 3). 5', 5' UTR; 3', 3' UTR; Body, Gene body; TSS, Transcription start site; TES, transcription end site. (**B**) Comparison of consensus motif frequency in 6mdA peaks and the proportion of read splicing in 6mdA DIP-seq data sets. P-value of Spearman's correlation (*rho*) is shown.

Study	Species	Sample	Coverage	PMID
Zhu et al.	Human	HG002	18.2	29764913
Zhu et al.	Human	HG003	17.2	29764913
Zhu et al.	Human	HG004	16.3	29764913
Zhu et al.	Human	WGA	39.4	29764913
Wu et al.	Mouse	WT	>30*	27027282
Wu et al.	Mouse	KO	>30*	27027282
Pacini et al.	Human	AK1	101	30914725
Pacini et al.	Human	CHM1	54	30914725
Xiao et al.	Human	HX1	103	30017583

Table S1. SMRT-seq read coverage in studies of 6mdA in mammalian DNA.

\*not genome wide

Table S2. Primers used to detect Mycoplasma sp	becies. Fw, forward p	primer, Rv, reverse primer
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Primer	Sequence	Species	Product size (bp)
(Fw) Myco 5-1	CGC CTG AGT AGT ACG TTC GC	M. fermentans,	518
		M. bovis	
(Fw) Myco 5-2	CGC CTG AGT AGT ACG TAC GC	A. laidlawii	525
(Fw) Myco 5-2a	TGC CTG AGT AGT ACA TTC GC	M. gallisepticum	504
(Fw) Myco 5-2b	TGC CTG GGT AGT ACA TTC GC	Ureaplasma spp.	504
(Fw) Myco 5-5	CGC CTG GGT AGT ACA TTC GC	M. pirum	504
(Fw) Myco 5-6	CGC CTG AGT AGT AGT CTC GC	M. arginini,	520
		M. hominis,	522
		M. hyorhinis,	518
		M. orale,	520
		M. pneumoniae	517
(Rv) Myco 3-1	GCG GTG TGT ACA AGA CCC GA	M. arginini,	
		M. bovis,	
		M. fermentans,	
		M. gallisepticum,	
		M. hominis,	
		M. orale,	
		M. pirum,	
		Ureaplasma spp.	
(Rv) Myco 3-2	GCG GTG TGT ACA AAA CCC GA	M. hyorhinis,	
		M. pneumoniae	
(Rv) Myco 3-3	CGG TGT GTA CAA ACC CCG A	A. laidlawii	

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