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Supplementary Materials for

Parallel PRC2/cPRC1 and vPRC1 pathways silence lineage-specific genes and maintain self-renewal in mouse embryonic stem cells

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Fig. S1. Genomic distribution of PRC1 and PRC2 and generation of single mutant mESCs. (A) Heat maps of Eed, Suz12, Cbx7, Rnf2, Rybp, Pcgf1 and Pcgf6 centered around the TSS of CGI promoters (+/- 5kb) show relative enrichment in *wild-type* mESCs. TSSs are separated by kmeans into "shared" (965 TSSs - violet), "variant-specific" (7,333 TSSs - green) and "noBioCap" clusters (19,712 TSSs - gray). TSSs were ranked by enrichment of canonical PRC1 (Rnf2, Cbx7), variant PRC1 (Rnf2, Rybp), PRC2 (Eed) subunits and un-methylated CGIs (BioCap). Colored scales (bottom) show dynamic range of ChIP-seq signal. (B) Boxplot quantification of gene expression (QuantSeq) at the three cluster from A). p-values calculated using Wilcoxon test (****: p < 1e-04). (C) Gene Ontology (GO) analysis compares enriched categories of shared (violet) and variant-specific (green) PcG target genes. (D) Genomic screenshots of selected "shared" Polycomb target genes encoding developmental transcription factors. (E) Schematic representation of gene-trap disruption and rescue of *Eed* gene expression in haploid mESC line. FlpO and Cre indicate DNA recombinases facilitating inversion at recombination sites. Eed-null (GT) (step 1) and Eed-rescue (GT) (step 2) mESCs have been used in this study. (F) Western blot of Eed, Suz12 and Ezh2 in wild-type, *Eed-null* and *Eed-rescue* mESCs. Ponceau staining serves as loading control. (G) Western blot of Eed, Rnf2, Cbx7 and Rybp in *wild-type*, *Eed-null* and *Rybp-null* mESCs. Lmn B1 serves as loading control.



Fig. S2. PcG protein occupancy and histone modifications in single mutant mESCs. (A) Meta plots and heat maps compare Eed, H3K27me3, Cbx7, Rybp and Pcgf1 enrichments centered around the TSS of CGI promoters (+/- 5kb or +/- 10kb) at "shared" (violet) and "variant-specific" (green) genes in *wild-type*, *Eed-null* and *Rybp-null* mESCs. Colored scales (bottom) show dynamic range of ChIP-seq signals. Genomic screenshots of representative "shared" and "variant-specific" Polycomb target genes display relative enrichment of PcG proteins and histone modifications (n=2) in (**B**) *wild-type* and *Eed-null* mESCs and (**C**) in *wild-type* and *Rybp-null* mESCs.



Fig. S3. Combined PcG protein depletion triggers loss of mESC self-renewal. (A) Coimmunoprecipitation of AID tagged fusion proteins from nuclear extracts of dRvbp Eed-null (left). dSuz12 Rybp-null (middle) and dRnf2 Ring1-null (right) mESCs using FLAG antibody and analysis by western blot with indicated antibodies. (B) Western blots of histone modifications in *wild-type*, *Eed-null* mESCs and two independent clones of *dRybp* ^{*Eed-null*} mESCs (top), in *wild-type*, *Rybp*null mESCs and two independent clones of dSuz12^{Rybp-null} mESCs (middle) and in wild-type, *Ring1-null* mESCs and two independent clones of *dRnf2*^{*Ring1-null*} mESCs (bottom). IAA treatment (250 µM) for 24 hours. Western blot for total histone H3 serves as loading control. (C) Flow cytometry histograms display expression of PcG protein fusions with AID-GFP (gray) in dRybp Eed-null (left) and dRnf2 Ring1-null (right) before, after 60 mins and 120 minutes of IAA treatment. White histogram shows expression of control cells without GFP. (D) Proliferation assays of additional independent clones of $dRybp^{Eed-null}$, $dSuz12^{Rybp-null}$ and $dRnf2^{Ring1-null}$ mESCs grown in serum conditions for 72 hours without (untreated) or with 250µM IAA. Live cells were quantified by flow cytometry every 24 hours starting at 24 hours (time point 0h). Displayed are the median and standard deviation of four replicates. (E) Proliferation assays of wild-type, Eed-null and Rybp-null and Ring1-null mESCs grown in serum conditions for 72 hours without (untreated) or with 250µM IAA. Live cells were quantified by flow cytometry every 24 hours starting at 24 hours (time point 0h). Displayed are the median and standard deviation of four replicates. (F) Representative images of alkaline phosphatase staining of wildtype, Eed-null and Rybp-null and Ring1-null mESC colonies cultured in absence (untreated) or presence or 250µM IAA for five days. (G) Box plots display Standard Deviation of Density quantifying the degree of mESC colony heterogeneity in response to five days of IAA treatment. Statistical significance calculated using unpaired t-test (p-value <0.01)



Fig. S4. AP staining of untreated and IAA-treated mESCs. (A) Slides showing AP staining from two independent experiments of *wild-type*, *Eed-null* and *Rybp-null* and *Ring1-null* mESC colonies cultured in absence (untreated) or presence or 250μ M IAA for five days. (B) Slides showing AP staining of *dRybp* ^{*Eed-null*}, *dSuz12* ^{*Rybp-null*} and *dRnf2* ^{*Ring1-null*} mESC colonies from two independently derived clones cultured in absence (untreated) or presence or 250μ M IAA for five days.



time in hours

Fig. S5. Consequences of Rybp degradation in Suz12-null and Suz12/Eed-null mESCs. (A) Table summarizes engineered degron mESCs with inducible degradation of either Rybp or Suz12. (B) Western blot of PcG proteins and histone modifications in wild-type, dRybp ^{Suz12-null} and dRvbp Suz12-null, Eed-null mESCs (left). IAA treatment (250 µM) for 24 hours leads to degradation of AID-fusion protein. Lamin B1 (Lmn B1) and Ponceau staining serve as loading controls. (C) Proliferation assays of dRybp ^{Suz12-null} and dRybp ^{Suz12-null}, Eed-null mESCs grown in serum conditions for 72 hours without (untreated) or with 250µM IAA. Live cells were quantified by flow cytometry every 24 hours. Displayed is the median and standard deviation of four replicate measurements starting at 24 hours IAA (time point 0h). (D) Representative images of Alkaline phosphatase staining of dRybp ^{Suz12-null} and dRybp ^{Suz12-null}, Eed-null mESC colonies cultured in absence (untreated) or presence or 250µM IAA for five days. (E) Box plots display Standard Deviation of Density quantifying the degree of mESC colony heterogeneity in response to five days of IAA treatment. Statistical significance calculated using unpaired t-test (p-value <0.01). (F) Slides showing AP staining from two independent experiments of $dRybp^{Suz12-null}$ and dRvbp Suz12-null, Eed-null mESC colonies cultured in absence (untreated) or presence or 250µM IAA for five days. (G) Proliferation assays of *wild-type*, *Eed-null*, *Rybp-null* and *Ring1-null* mESCs grown in 2i conditions for 72 hours without (untreated) or with 250µM IAA. Live cells were quantified by flow cytometry every 24 hours. Displayed is the median and standard deviation of four replicates. (H) Proliferation assays of $dRybp^{Eed-null}$, $dRnf2^{Ring1-null}$, $dSuz12^{Rybp-null}$ and dRybpSuz12-null mESCs grown in 2i conditions for 72 hours without (untreated) or with 250µM IAA. Live cells were quantified by flow cytometry every 24 hours starting at 24 hours (time point 0h). Displayed is the median and standard deviation of four replicates.



Fig. S6. Rnf2 occupancy and H2AK119ub1 in IAA-treated degron mESCs. (A) Heat maps of ChIP-seq of Rnf2 and H2AK119ub1 around CGI TSSs (+/- 5kb or +/- 10kb) at "shared" (violet) and "variant-specific" (green) genes in *dRybp* ^{*Eed-null*}, *dSuz12* ^{*Rybp-null*} and *dRnf2* ^{*Ring1-null*} mESCs before and after IAA treatment as indicated. Colored scales (bottom) show dynamic range of ChIP-seq. (**B**) Meta plots of Rnf2 and H2AK119ub1 (H2Aub1) ChIP-seq at "variant-specific" genes in *dRybp* ^{*Eed-null*}, *dSuz12* ^{*Rybp-null*} and *dRnf2* ^{*Ring1-null*} mESCs before and after IAA treatment as indicated in Fig. 3C). (**C**) Density scatter plot of Rnf2 (top, +/- 5kb around TSS) and in H2AK119ub1 (H2Aub1) (bottom, +/- 10kb around TSS) signals in wild-type and IAA-treated *dRybp* ^{*Eed-null*} (left) and *dSuz12* ^{*Rybp-null*} (right) mESCs. r - Pearson's correlation coefficient, "shared" TSSs (violet), "variant-specific" TSSs (green).



Fig. S7. Impact of combined PcG protein depletion on gene regulation. (A) Scatter plot compares gene expression changes between $dRybp^{Eed-null}$ and $dRnf2^{Ring1-null}$ (top), and $dSuz12^{Rybp-null}$ and $dRnf2^{Ring1-null}$ mESCs following 48h of IAA treatment. r and p denote Pearson correlation coefficient and P-value. (B) Analysis of Gene Ontology categories of downregulated genes in response to IAA treatment of $dRybp^{Eed-null}$, $dSuz12^{Rybp-null}$ and $dRnf2^{Ring1-null}$ mESCs at 24h and 48h. The color indicates the significance and the size represents the fraction of genes in each category. (C) Volcano plots show gene expression changes of IAA-treated relative to untreated $dRybp^{Eed-null}$, $dSuz12^{Rybp-null}$ and $dRnf2^{Ring1-null}$ mESCs at 48h. Differential gene expression (red, padj < 0.1) was calculated by averaging two independent clones per genotype, each sequenced in triplicates. Displayed are annotations of differentially expressed genes in $dRybp^{Eed-null}$ (green) and $dRnf2^{Ring1-null}$ (blue) mESCs cultured in 2i conditions at 48h of IAA treatment.





Fig. S8. Genes with large Polycomb domains are most vulnerable to PRC1 loss. (A) Volcano plots show gene expression changes of IAA-treated relative to untreated dRybp ^{Eed-null}, dSuz12 Rybp-null and dRnf2 Ring1-null mESCs at 6h. down (blue) – number of repressed genes, up (red) – number of upregulated genes. Differential gene expression (padj < 0.1) was calculated by averaging two independent clones per genotype, each sequenced in triplicates. (B) Bar graphs show the fractions of "shared" and "variant-specific" genes among all Polycomb target genes (left) and the fraction of differentially expressed "shared" and "variant-specific" genes (padj < 0.1) at 6h, 24h and 48h of IAA-treated $dRybp \ ^{Eed-null}$, $dSuz12 \ ^{Rybp-null}$ and $dRnf2 \ ^{Ring1-null}$ mESCs. (C) Box plots display wild-type levels of H3K4me3 (+/- 10kb around TSS) of genes upregulated (red) or unchanged (grey) at 6h, 24h and 48h of IAA treatment of *dRybp*^{*Eed-null*}, *dSuz12*^{*Rybp-null*} and $dRnf2^{Ring1-null}$ mESCs. Significance (p-value) calculated using Wilcoxon test (**: p < 0.01; ****: p < 0.001; ****: p < 1e-04). (**D**) Box plots display *wild-type* levels of H2AK119ub1 (H2Aub1) (+/- 10kb around TSS), Suz12, Cbx7 and Rybp (all +/- 5kb around TSS) of genes upregulated (red) or unchanged (grey) at 6h, 24h and 48h of IAA treatment of dRybp ^{Eed-null}, dSuz12 Rybp-null and dRnf2 Ring1-null mESCs. Significance (p-value) calculated using Wilcoxon test (**: p < 0.01; ****: p < 0.001; ****: p < 1e-04).



Fig. S9. Consequences of combined depletion of Pcgf1 and Suz12. (A) Proliferation assays of dSuz12 mESCs grown in serum conditions for 72 hours without (untreated) or with 250µM IAA. Live cells were quantified by flow cytometry every 24 hours. Displayed is the median and standard deviation of four replicate measurements starting at 24 hours IAA (time point 0h). (B) Proliferation assays of dSuz12 mESCs (top) and a second mESC clone of dSuz12 Pcgf1-null (bottom) grown in serum conditions for 72h without (untreated) or with 250µM IAA. Live cells were quantified by flow cytometry every 24h. Displayed is the median and standard deviation of four replicate measurements starting at 24h IAA (time point 0h). (C) Slides show AP staining of dSuz12 mESC colonies and two independent clones of dSuz12 Pcgf1-null mESC colonies cultured in absence (untreated) or presence or 250µM IAA for five days. (D) Representative images of alkaline phosphatase staining of dSuz12 mESC colonies cultured in absence (untreated) or presence or 250µM IAA for five days. (E) Heat maps of ChIP-seq of Rnf2 and H2AK119ub1 around CGI TSSs (+/- 5kb or +/- 10kb) at "shared" (violet) and "variant-specific" (green) genes in dSuz12 and dSuz12 Pcgf1-null mESCs before and after 48 hours of IAA treatment. Colored scales (bottom) show dynamic range of ChIP-seq. (F) Meta plots of Rnf2 and H2AK119ub1 (H2Aub1) ChIP-seq at "variant-specific" genes in dSuz12 Pcgf1-null mESCs before and after 48 hours of IAA treatment corresponding to Fig. 6E). (G) Density scatter plot of Rnf2 (top, +/- 5kb around TSS) and in H2AK119ub1 (H2Aub1) (bottom, +/- 10kb around TSS) signals in untreated and IAAtreated dSuz12 mESCs. r - Pearson's correlation coefficient, "shared" TSSs (violet), "variantspecific" TSSs (green). (G) Genomic screenshots of Rnf2 (violet) and H2AK119ub1 (H2Aub1 orange) enrichments at two representative "shared" Polycomb target genes in untreated and IAAtreated *dSuz12*^{*Pcgf1-null*} mESCs. Superimposed are levels in wild-type mESCs (black line).

Name	Cat #	Vendor	Host	Dilution
Rnf2	5694S	Cell Signaling	rabbit	1:1000
Cbx7	07-981	Merck Millipore	rabbit	1:1000
Rybp	41787S	Cell Signaling	rabbit	1:1000
Eed	61203	Active Motif	mouse	1:500
LaminB1	ab16048	Abcam	rabbit	1:5000
Ring1	2820S	Cell Signaling	rabbit	1:1000
Suz12	3737S	Cell Signaling	rabbit	1:1000
Pcgf1	NBP1-82767	Novus Biologicals	rabbit	1:750
Goat anti-Rabbit IgG HRP	656120	Invitrogen	goat	1:10000
anti-Mouse IgG HRP	W4021	Promega	goat	1:2500

Table. S1. Antibodies used for western blot

Table. S2. DNA constructs and sgRNAs

Construct	sgRNA sequence (5' - 3')
CP045_Rnf2_homology_arms_GFP_AID	
CP047_Rybp_homology_arms_AID_GFP	
CP048_Suz12_homology_arms_AID_GFP	
CP049_sgRNA_Rnf2	GCACAGCCTGAGACATTTCT
CP051_sgRNA_Rybp	GAATCTTTCTGAGATTGCACA
CP052_sgRNA_Suz12	GCAGTGTCTGTTCAAAACATG
CP053_RRL-SFFV-OsTir1-3xMyc-T2A-Puro	
jz031_Suz12-null	CCAATAAGACAAGTCCCTAC
jz030_Suz12-null	CTGTTTAGAGTAACTCGTCC
jz037_Ring1-null	TCTTTTGTTGTTGCAGGCCC
jz036_Ring1-null	ATCGTCACCGCCCTGCGGAG
SG005_sgRNA_Pcgf1	TGAGGTCCGCCATCTCCGAA
SG006_sgRNA_Pcgf1	CCTTCTCTGTTCCTAGAACA
HFM027-ZFHD1-FLAG-Pcgf3-P2A-mCherry	

Table. S3. mESC lines

ID	Genotype
AN3-12	wild-type (parental haploid mESC line)
515D10-E6	Eed-null mESCs (Eed gene-trap)
515D10-A12	dRybp Eed-null clone 1
515D10-C3	dRybp Eed-null clone 2
515D10-Suz12D8-RybpB4	dRybp Suz12-null, Eed-null
515D10-Suz12D8-RybpB4-EedrescA4	dRybp ^{Suz12-null}
AN3E9-A1	Rybp-null mESCs (Rybp CRISPR KO)
AN3E9-A8	dSuz12 Rybp-null clone 1
AN3E9-B11	dSuz12 Rybp-null clone 2
AN3-Suz12D8	dSuz12clone 1
AN3-Suz12G7	dSuz12clone 2
AN3-Suz12D8-P1A2	dSuz12 ^{Pcg/1-null} clone 1
AN3-Suz12D8-P1A3	dSuz12 ^{Pcg/1-null} clone 2
D10B3C10-G9	Ring1-null mESCs (Ring1 CRISPR KO)
D10B3C10-B10	dRnf2 ^{Ring1-null} clone 1
D10B3C10-C2	dRnf2 ^{Ring1-null} clone 2



Uncropped western blots of proteins from Fig. 2A and fig. S3B. Western blots of PcG protein expression and histone modifications in wild-type, Eed-null mESCs and two independent clones

of dRybp Eed-null mESCs (left), in wild-type, Rybp-null mESCs and two independent clones of dSuz12 Rybp-null mESCs (center) and in wild-type, Ring1-null mESCs and two independent clones of dRnf2 Ring1-null mESCs (right). IAA treatment (250 μ M) for 24 hours. Lmn B1 and total histone H3 serve as loading controls.



Uncropped western blots of proteins from figs. S5B, S6A, and S9A. Western blots of PcG protein expression and histone modifications in wild-type, dRybp Suz12-null mESCs and dRybp

Suz12-null, Eed-null mESCs (left) and in dSuz12 mESCs and two independent clones of dSuz12 Pcgf1-null mESCs (right). IAA treatment (250 μ M) for 24 hours. Lmn B1 and Ponceau membrane staining serve as loading controls.