

Table S1. CRISPR primers

Name	Deletion/ inversion size	Vector primers	Genotyping primers
Δ CTCF1 mm9 chr5: 28,777,560- 28,778,320	1.2kb	1F-CACCGGCTAGCCATGAAGACAAGCA 1R- AAACGCTTGTCTTCATGGCTAGCC 2F- CACCGGGCCCACTATTGTCAGAAAAT 2R- AAACATTTCTGACAATAGTGGGCC	Deletion F- ATGAATGCCTGCAGTGGTTC Wild Type F- CTAATAGCAGCTGACCACGAAC R- TAGACTCAGAGGTTTCGTAAG
Δ CTCF2 mm9 chr5: 28,795,867- 28,796,937	1.35kb	1F-CACCGATCACATCTGCAGGTATTCC 1R- AAACGGAATACCTGCAGATGTGATC 2F- CACCGAAATGATTTCCGTCCTCTAC 2R- AAACGTAGAGGACGGAAATCATTTC	Deletion F-GAATATAGACTGGTGAATGGATC Wild Type F- AATCACATGGCTGTGAGATAC R- CTCAGCAGCTCCAAGACTG
Δ CTCF3 mm9 chr5: 29,619,575- 29,620,326	750bp	1F-CACCGATAGCCAGCTTTATGCTTTC 1R- AAACGAAAGCATAAAGCTGGCTATC 2F- CACCGTGTGCATCTCATACTGAGAA 2R- AAACTTCTCAGTATGAGATGCACAC	Deletion F- GCATACTGGCAGCATCACTG Wild Type F- AGACCAGACTTGTCAACTTGG R- CCTGACCCTCAGGTGTTAGC
Δ CTCF4 mm9 chr5: 29,704,457- 29,705,661	1.3kb	1F-CACCGCACTTGTCGCCGTCATCAT 1R- AAACATGATGACGGGCTACAAGTGC 2F- CACCGTAAACAACGCCCTTGATATG 2R- AAACCATATCAAGGGCGTTGTTTAC	Deletion F- CCTCAGTTAGCAGGAGATG R- TCAGACACGTTGTTGCTGAC Wild Type F- GCAGCTTAGCACTCTGAAGTC
Δ CTCF5 mm9 chr5: 29,715,776- 29,716,437	1.2kb	1F-CACCGAAGATGCCTGCTTAGTGCCG 1R- AAACCGGCACTAAGCAGGCATCTTC 2F- CACCGCATGGAAGTGGACGACATGC 2R- AAACGCATGTCGTCCACTTCCATGC	Deletion F- TTACAAGACAAACCATCAGAC Wild Type F- TCAACTTGGATCGGAGAATC R- GTGATCCTGCTGTGGATTAG
Δ /Inv35 mm9 chr5: 29,684,041- 29,718,587	35kb	1F-CACCGAGCCTCTCACTTTATGCCCC 1R- AAACGGGGCATAAAGTGAGAGGCTC 2F- CACCGAGGGCTTCATGAATTACACC 2R- AAACGGTGTAATTCATGAAGCCCTC	Deletion F- CACATATCACACATATCCAGG Wild Type F- GATTTCTCTGTGTGAAGATC R- AATCATGATTACAGATGAGTG Inversion F- CACATATCACACATATCCAGG R- GATTTCTCTGTGTGAAGATC

Table S2. Median interprobe distances for *Cnpy1-Shh*, *Shh-SBE2*, *SBE2-ZRS*, *Shh-ZRS*, *ZRS-Lmbr1*, *ZRS-Mnx1*, *ZRS-Ube3c*, *Lmbr1-Mnx1* probes in wild type and Δ CTCF ESCs

ESCs	WT	Δ CTCF1	Δ CTCF2	Δ CTCF3	Δ CTCF4	Δ CTCF5
Fosmids	Interprobe distance (nm)					
<i>Cnpy1-Shh</i>	453	376 ($p = 0.03$)	439			
<i>Shh-SBE2</i>	396	473 ($p = 0.003$)	474 ($p = 0.0008$)	443 ($p = 0.01$)	397	390
<i>SBE2-ZRS</i>	390	473 ($p < 0.0001$)	522 ($p < 0.0001$)	551 ($p < 0.0001$)	449 ($p = 0.009$)	401
<i>Shh-ZRS</i>	341	449 ($p = 0.0005$)	449 ($p < 0.0002$)	453 ($p < 0.0001$)	324	434 ($p = 0.0001$)
<i>ZRS-Lmbr1</i>	533				473	427 ($p = 0.01$)
<i>ZRS-Mnx1</i>	503				427 ($p = 0.04$)	453
<i>Lmbr1-Mnx1</i>	411				406	413

Statistical analysis of data for Figures 3C, S3B, 4C & S4B. Interprobe distances are median values, p -values from Mann-Whitney U Tests.

Table S3. Median interprobe distances for *Shh-SBE2*, *SBE2-ZRS* and *Shh-ZRS* probes in wild type and Δ CTCF E11.5 limb distal posterior tissue

Posterior	WT	Δ CTCF1	Δ CTCF2	Δ CTCF3	Δ CTCF4	Δ CTCF5
Fosmids	Interprobe distance (nm)					
<i>Shh-SBE2</i>	406	429 ($p = 0.005$)	428 ($p = 0.005$)	507 ($p < 0.0001$)	418 ($p = 0.04$)	338
<i>SBE2-ZRS</i>	427	428	617 ($p < 0.0001$)	406	446	406
<i>Shh-ZRS</i>	241	276 ($p = 0.002$)	268 ($p = 0.006$)	276 ($p = 0.004$)	242	221

Statistical analysis of data for Figures 5B. Interprobe distances are median values, p -values from Mann-Whitney U Tests.

Table S4. Median interprobe distances for *Shh-SBE2*, *SBE2-ZRS* and *Shh-ZRS* probes in wild type and Δ CTCF E11.5 limb distal anterior tissue

Anterior	WT	Δ CTCF1	Δ CTCF2	Δ CTCF3	Δ CTCF4	Δ CTCF5
Fosmids	Interprobe distance (nm)					
<i>Shh-SBE2</i>	422	587 ($p < 0.0001$)	486 ($p = 0.0003$)	607 ($p < 0.0001$)	486	422
<i>SBE2-ZRS</i>	425	486 ($p = 0.02$)	436	427	411	314 ($p = 0.03$)
<i>Shh-ZRS</i>	250	342 ($p = 0.0001$)	314 ($p = 0.02$)	341 ($p = 0.001$)	268	276

Statistical analysis of data for Figures 5C. Interprobe distances are median values, p -values from Mann-Whitney U Tests.

Table S5. Co-localisation frequency (<200 nm) of *Shh* and ZRS probes in wild type and Δ CTCF E11.5 distal anterior and posterior limb tissue

Tissue	WT	Δ CTCF1	Δ CTCF2	Δ CTCF3	Δ CTCF4	Δ CTCF5
Tissue	Co-localisation Frequency (%)					
Anterior	20	10.9	14.9	11	15.7	17
Posterior	36	22 ($p = 0.008$)	17 ($p = 0.0003$)	22 ($p = 0.008$)	26 ($p = 0.04$)	32

Statistical analysis of data for Fig. 5D. p -values from Fisher's Exact Tests.

Table S6. Median interprobe distances for *Shh*-SBE2, SBE2-ZRS, *Shh*-ZRS & ZRS-*Mnx1* probes in wild type, $\Delta 35$ and Inv35 ESCs

ESCs	WT	35kb Δ	35kbInv
Fosmids	Interprobe distance (nm)		
<i>Shh</i> -SBE2	405	347 ($p = 0.04$)	
SBE2-ZRS	351	286 ($p = 0.049$)	
<i>Shh</i> -ZRS	336	275 ($p = 0.01$)	
ZRS- <i>Mnx1</i>	421	349 ($p = 0.002$)	376 ($p = 0.04$)

Statistical analysis of data for Figures 7D. Interprobe distances are median values, p -values from Mann-Whitney U Tests.

Table S7. RT-PCR primers

Region	Primers
<i>qRT Shh</i>	F- ACCCCGACATCATATTTAAGGA R- TTAACCTGTCTTTGCACCTCTGA
<i>qRTMnx1</i>	F- GATGCCGACTTCAGCTC R- AGCTGCTGGCTGGTGAAG
<i>RT Lmbr1</i>	ex1 F- ACAGCCAAGTGCAGAGTCC ex5 F- TTCTTTCTGGAATCAGAAGG ex6 R- CCATACTGGCAGCATCACTGT
<i>RT Hprt</i>	F- CACAGGACTAGAACACCTGC R- GCTGGTGAAAAGGACCTC

Table S8. Fosmid Probes

Region	Whitehead (Sanger) Name	Ensembl name	Coordinates		Size (bp)
			Start	End	
<i>Cnpy1</i>	W11-2816N11		28567538	28605641	38104
<i>Shh</i>	W11-0574O18	G135P64333A4	28754458	28795879	41421
SBE2	W11-1275C09	G135P603171G8	29195832	29239355	43523
ZRS	W11-1047E14	G135P600929F6	29611727	29653695	41968
<i>Lmbr1</i> pr.	W11-2285K14		29692859	29736053	43195
<i>Mnx1</i>	W11-1204B06		29791124	29827491	36368

Names are Ensembl (r 45) (http://jun2007.archive.ensembl.org/Mus_musculus/index.html). Mouse genome assembly number: NCBI m37

Table S9. Mouse 5C primers for *Shh* and *USP22* regions

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Table S10. 5C sequencing reads

E11.5 tissues		
Sample	Number of reads	Number of used reads
E11.5 Body	2810910	1090908
E11.5 700kbΔ rep 1i	1562060	1082158
E11.5 700kbΔ rep 1ii	1415296	963894
E11.5 700kbΔ rep 2i	2566066	1853170
E11.5 700kbΔ rep 2ii	3898600	2847490
E11.5 Anterior limb rep 1	3302406	1925282
E11.5 Anterior limb rep 2	4664488	2579458
E11.5 Posterior limb rep 1	2340108	1432302
E11.5 Posterior limb rep 2	4721304	2662420
E14 ESCs wild type rep 1	2999100	1850978
E14 ESCs wild type rep 2	3842910	2447598
E14 ESCs ΔCTCF1 rep1	4324812	3370342
E14 ESCs ΔCTCF1 rep 2	4803792	3744989
E14 ESCs ΔCTCF2 rep1	5037248	2652966
E14 ESCs ΔCTCF2 rep2	4197292	2230540
E14 ESCs ΔCTCF3 rep1	4530282	2634184
E14 ESCs ΔCTCF3 rep2	3623840	1803502
E14 ESCs ΔCTCF4 rep1	4123544	2876952
E14 ESCs ΔCTCF4 rep2	2760100	1839494
E14 ESCs ΔCTCF5 rep1	3982104	1852298
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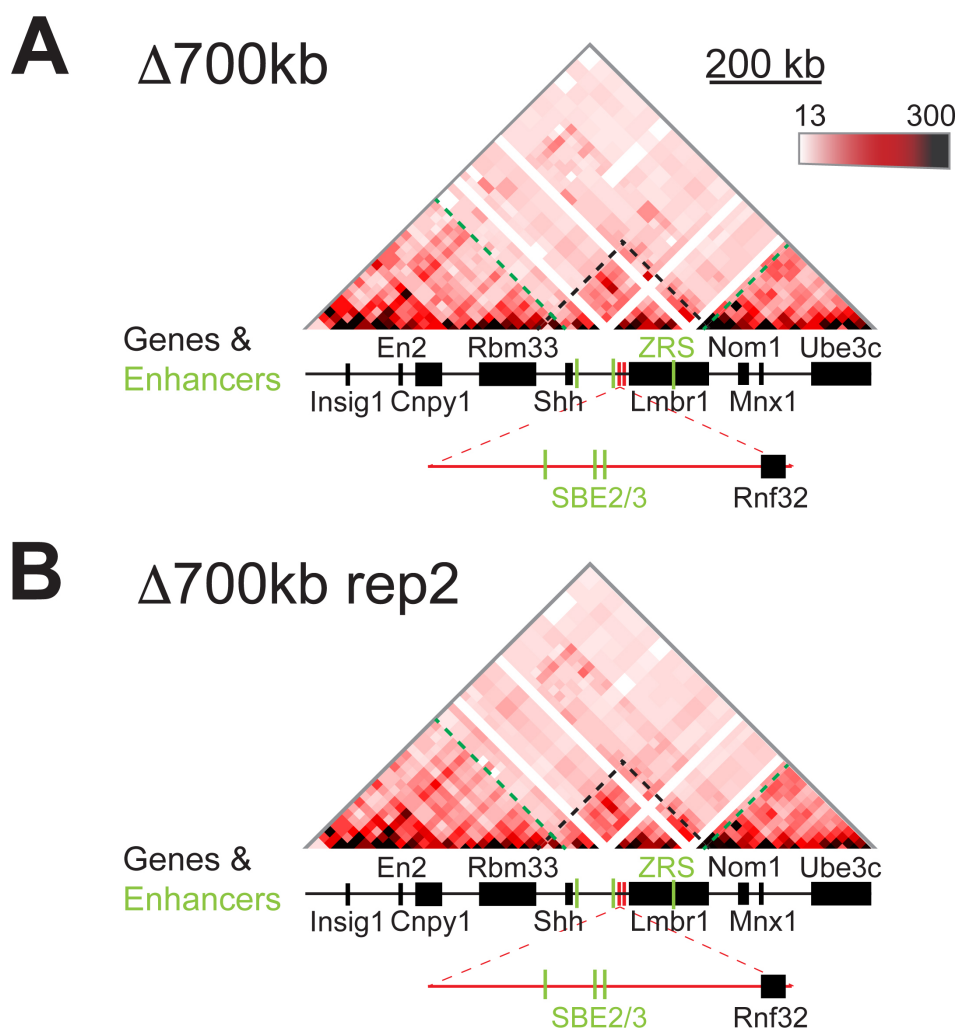


Figure S1. Unchanged *Shh* TAD boundaries and 5C-seq enriched interactions between loci containing *Shh* and ZRS in biological replicates of cells derived from $E11.5^{\Delta 700\text{kb}/\Delta 700\text{kb}}$ embryos. (A & B) Heat maps show the average interaction frequencies across *Shh* and its regulatory domain in E11.5 whole embryos homozygous for the 700kb deletion (replicate biological sample). Interaction frequencies were normalized to sum up to 50000 reads and adaptive coarsegraining of the matrices were performed to reduce noise with the three lowest coverage bins masked and the data shown is binned over 21-kb windows and are colour-coded according to the corresponding scales as described in Figure 1F. Green dashed lines highlight the TAD boundary locations, black dashed lines indicate the *Shh* TAD boundaries and the reduced size of the TAD.

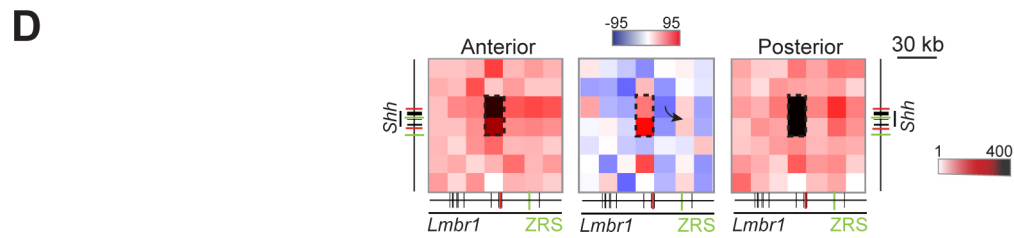
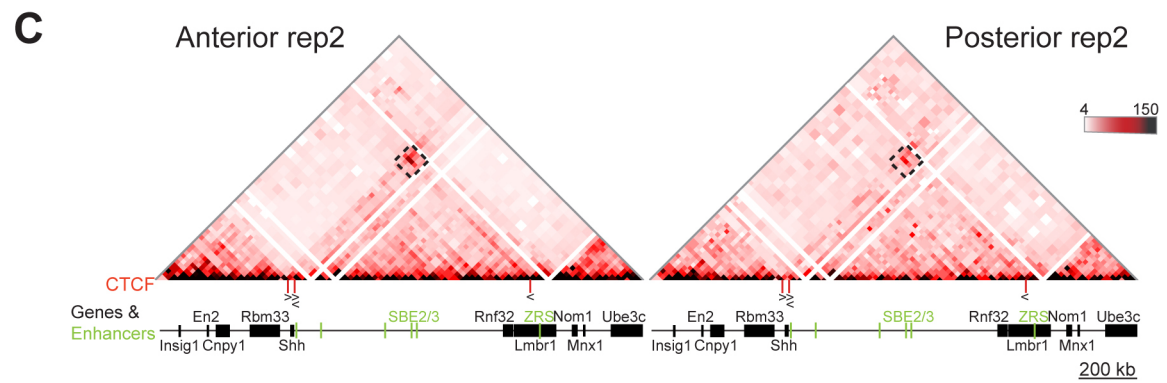
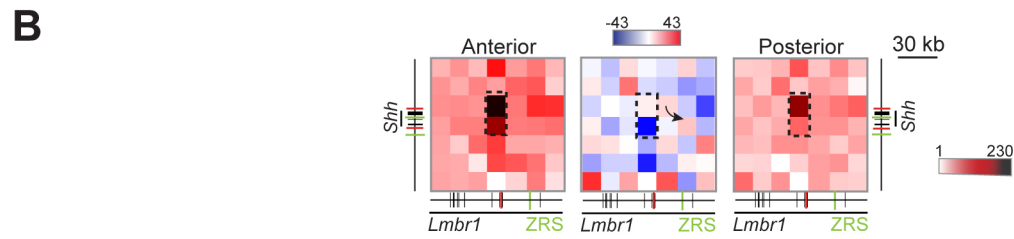
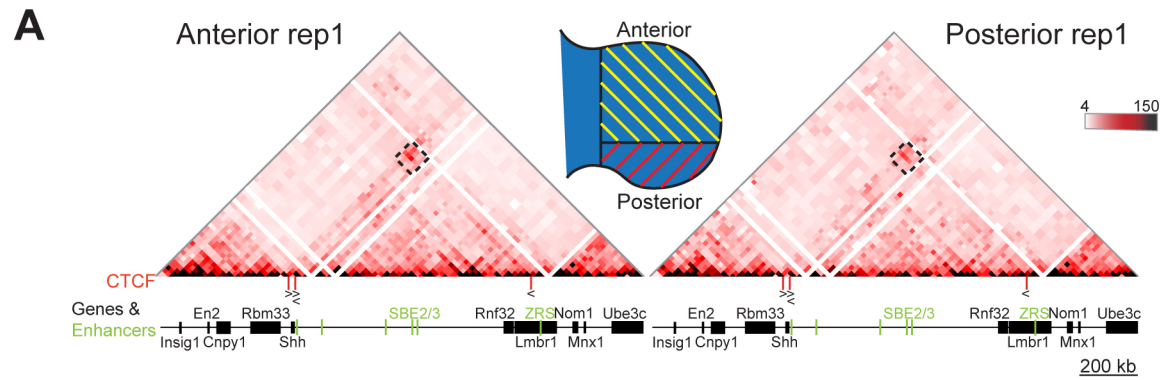


Figure S2. 5C-seq analysis in biological replicates of cells dissected from E11.5 distal anterior and posterior tissue. (A) Heat maps showing 5C data from distal anterior and posterior limb bud cells of E11.5 embryos, across the 1.7-Mb *Shh* region shown in Figure 1. Heat map intensities represent the average of interaction frequency for each window, colour-coded according to the scale shown. Interaction frequencies were normalized to sum up to 50000 reads and adaptive coarsegraining of the matrices were performed to reduce noise with the three lowest coverage bins masked and the data shown is binned over 21-kb windows. Green dashed lines indicate TAD boundaries, the interactions highlighted by the black dashed boxes locate the region of the heat maps shown in **(B)** at higher resolution. Schematic indicating the limb bud portions dissected for anterior and posterior cell populations. **(B)** Higher resolution (15-kb binning) heat maps from 5C data displayed in **(A)** showing interactions between 105kb genomic regions encompassing *Shh* and ZRS. Left-hand and right-hand heat maps from anterior and posterior tissues respectively with intensities representing the average of interaction frequency for each window, colour-coded according to the scale shown based on raw 5C data sets. The comparison heatmap (centre), with compared data sets normalised by read count, shows interactions enriched in posterior cells (red) and anterior cells (blue). Enriched interactions between loci containing CTCF binding sites are indicated by the black dashed boxes, the arrow in the comparison heat map highlights posterior enriched interactions between *Shh* and ZRS. **(C & D)** Second biological replicates showing 5C data for distal anterior and posterior limb bud cells of E11.5 embryos at 21-kb resolution **(C)** as in **(A)** and zoomed in higher resolution (15-kb) **(D)** as in **(B)**.

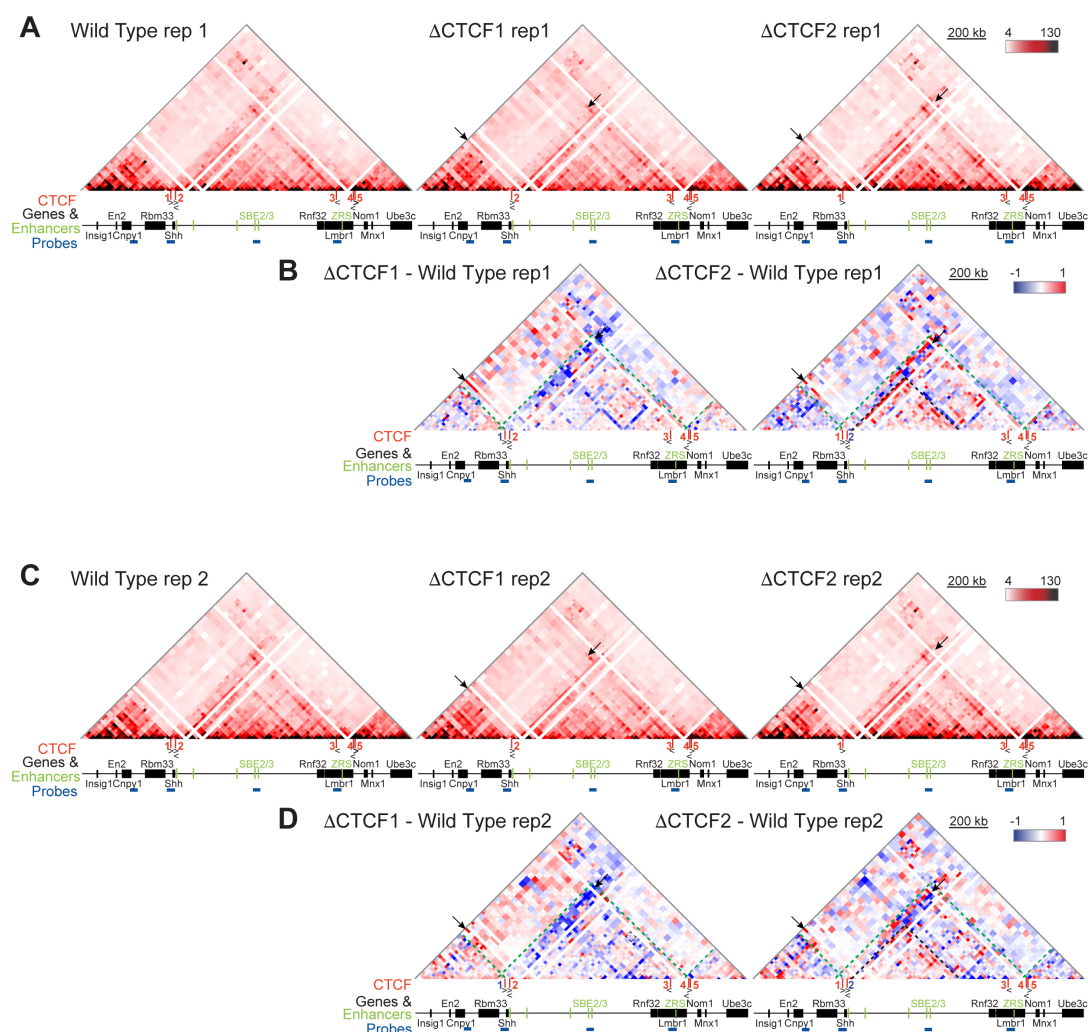


Figure S3. 5C-seq identifies perturbations to chromatin conformation in biological replicates of Δ CTCF1 and Δ CTCF2 ESCs. (A & C) Heat maps showing 5C data from two biological replicates of wild type, Δ CTCF1 and Δ CTCF2 ESCs across the 1.7-Mb *Shh* region shown in Figure 1. Heat map intensities represent the average of interaction frequency for each window, colour-coded according to the scale shown. Interaction frequencies were normalized to sum up to 50000 reads and adaptive coarsegraining of the matrices were performed to reduce noise with the three lowest coverage bins masked and the data shown is binned over 21-kb windows. **(B & D)** Heat maps comparing Δ CTCF1 or Δ CTCF2 enrichment (red) with wild type (blue). For comparison of 5C matrices across conditions, additional observed/expected normalization were performed by dividing each diagonal of the matrix by its mean. Green dashed lines indicate TAD boundaries, black dashed lines highlight enriched contacts within sub-TADs (Δ CTCF2), black arrows highlight loss of interactions in Δ CTCF1 or Δ CTCF2 cells and black arrowheads indicate enriched interactions in Δ CTCF1 or Δ CTCF2 cells.

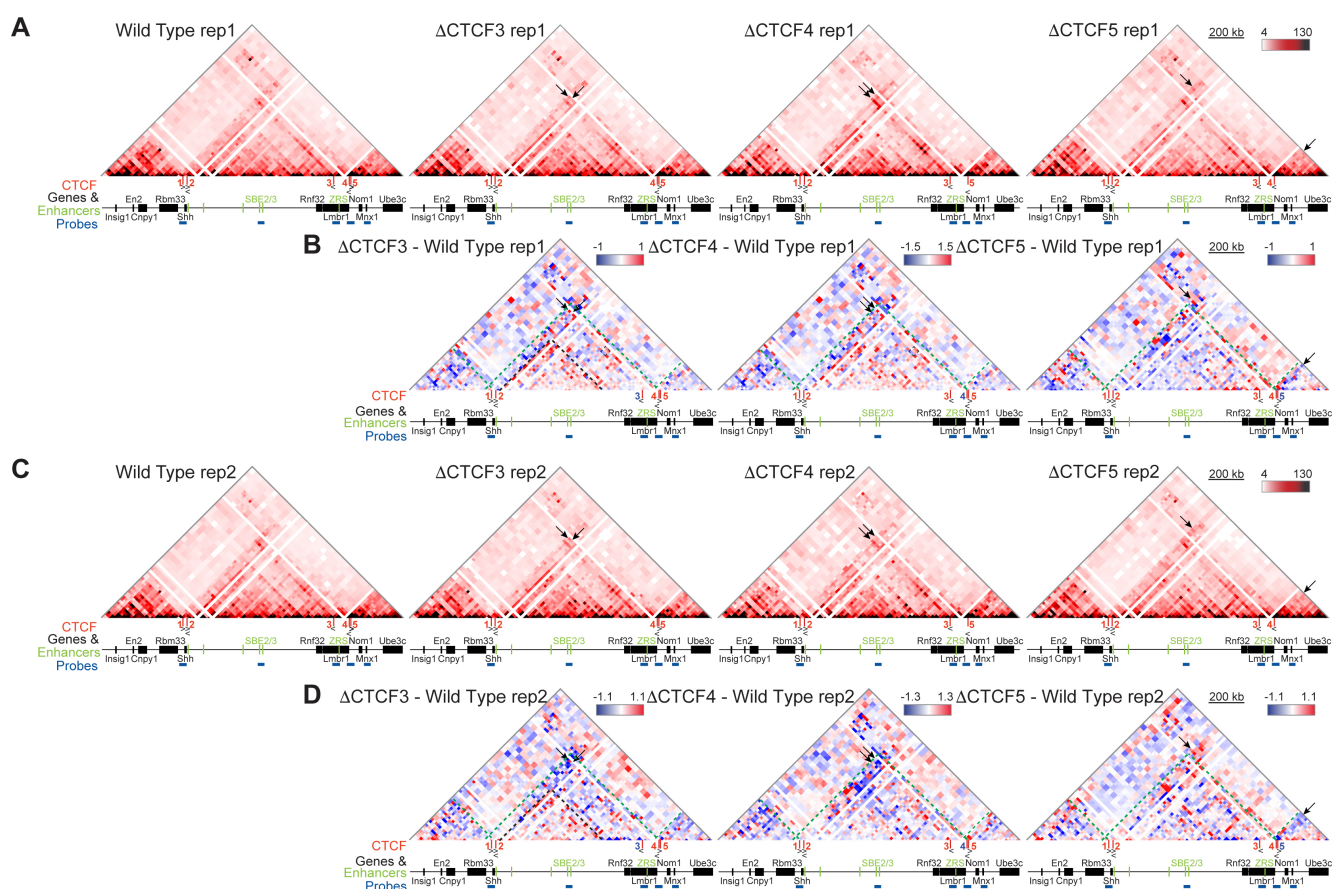


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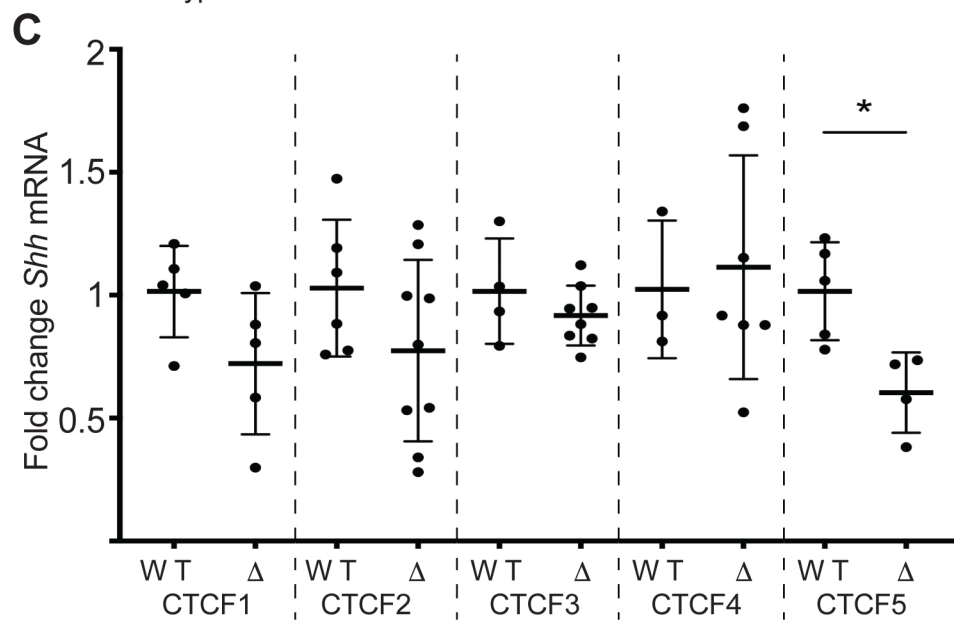
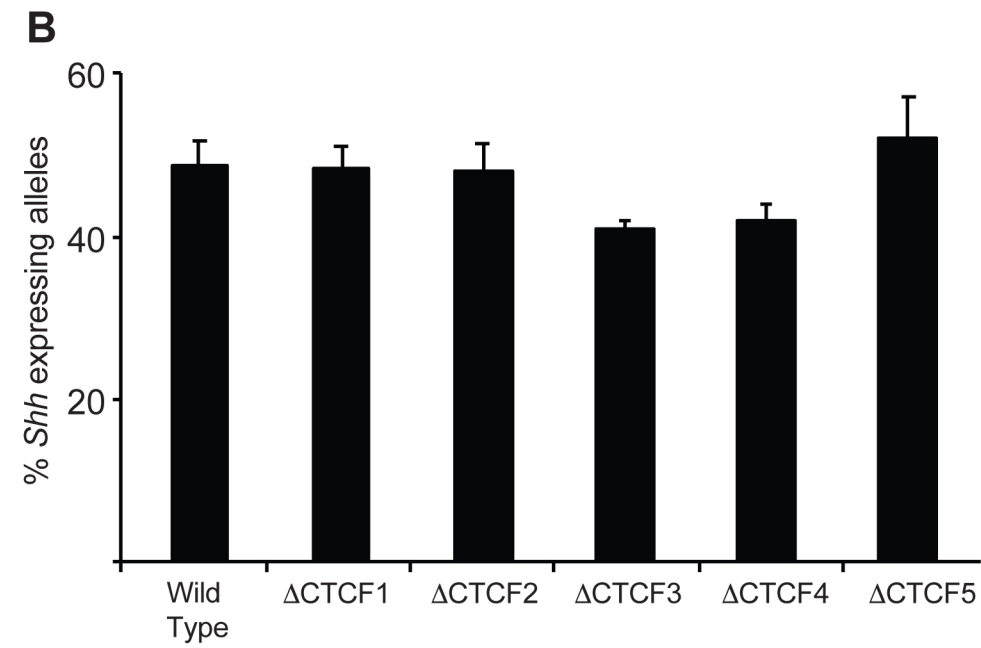
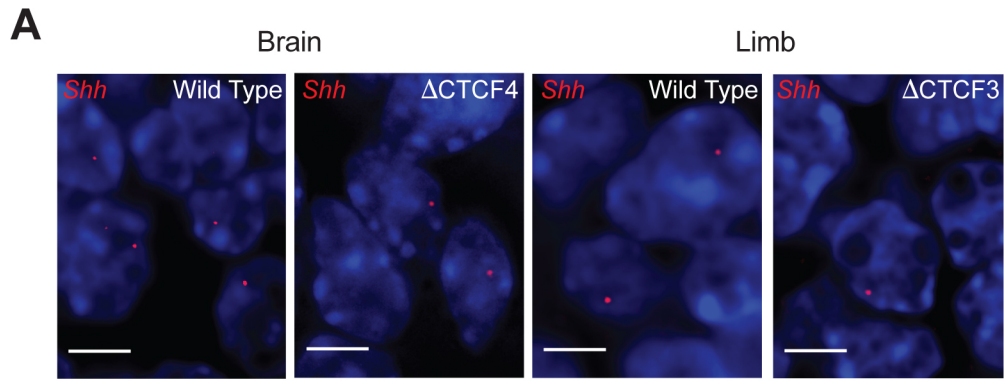


Figure S5. *Shh* RNA FISH and qRT-PCR for limb buds. (A) Images of representative RNA FISH signal (red) of *Shh*-expressing nuclei within the brain and ZPA of limb tissue of E11.5 wild type and Δ CTCF embryos. Scale bars = 5 μ m. **(B)** Counts of expressing alleles detected by RNA FISH within the ZPA of the E11.5 limb bud. The statistical significance between data sets was examined by Fisher's exact test. **(C)** Graph of fold change of *Shh* expression determined by qRT-PCR of cDNA made from E11.5 limb buds. Mutants from each of Δ CTCF lines are compared to wild type litter mates. Each dot represents a single embryo and data is graphed as mean \pm SD. The statistical significance between data sets was examined using unpaired Student t-tests, * < 0.05.

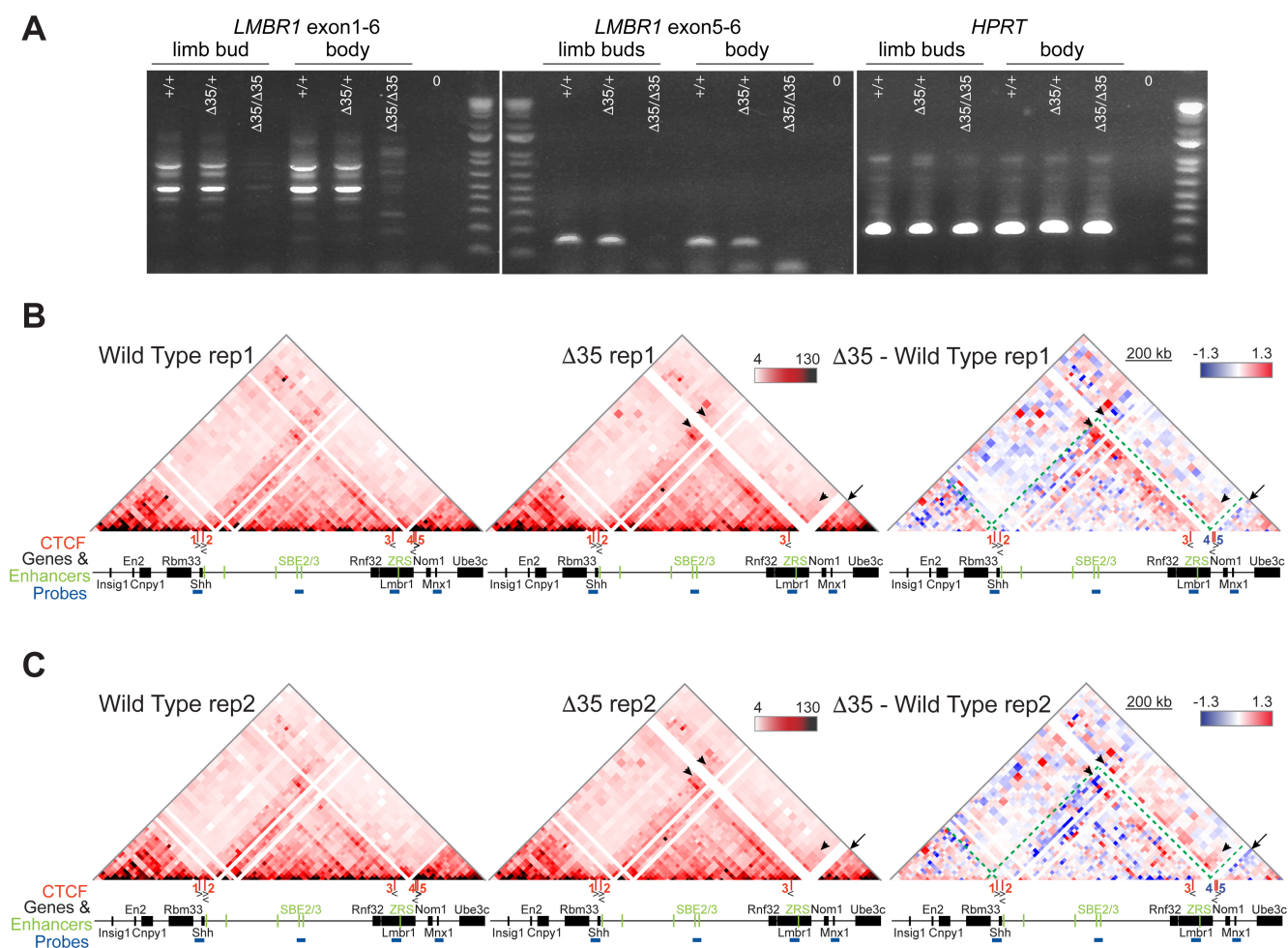


Figure S6. 5C-seq identifies perturbations to local chromatin conformation in biological replicates of $\Delta 35$ ESCs.

(A) RT-PCR analysis of gene expression in limb buds and bodies from E11.5 wild type, heterozygous and homozygous 35kb deletion ($\Delta 35$) embryos showing a loss of transcription through *Lmbr1*. **(B & C)** Heat maps showing 5C data from two biological replicates of wild type and $\Delta 35$ ESCs, across the 1.7-Mb *Shh* region shown in Figure 1. Heat map intensities represent the average of interaction frequency for each window, colour-coded according to the scale shown. Interaction frequencies were normalized to sum up to 50000 reads and adaptive coarsegraining of the matrices were performed to reduce noise with the three lowest coverage bins masked and the data shown is binned over 21-kb windows. Right-hand heat maps comparing $\Delta 35$ enrichment (red) with wild type (blue). For comparison of 5C matrices across conditions, additional observed/expected normalization were performed by dividing each diagonal of the matrix by its mean. Green dashed lines indicate TAD boundaries, black arrows highlight loss of interactions in $\Delta 35$ cells and black arrowheads indicate enriched interactions in $\Delta 35$ cells.