

Fig. S1. Isolation of HTATSF1-bound U2 snRNP from CRISPR/Cas9 edited HEK293F cells. 5 **(A)** Schematic of CRISPR-Cas9-mediated genome editing. gRNA, guide RNA; chrX, chromosome X; HDR, homology-directed repair. **(B)** Validation of the genome editing by Western Blot. **(C)** SDS-PAGE of glycerol gradient ultracentrifugation fractions. **(D)** Expression and localization of the GFP-tagged HTATSF1 in adherently growing HEK293F cells. **(E)** Negative stain EM micrograph of the isolated sample.

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Fig. S2. Cryo-EM data processing. Processing chart for the 17S, remodelled and A-like U2 snRNP. The remodelled dataset contained particles of both the 17S and remodelled U2 snRNP which were separated by 3D classification. All three datasets were merged to obtain the highresolution reconstruction of SF3B. The highest-resolution maps of 17S and remodelled U2 snRNP 5 were obtained after separating the merged dataset followed by refinement. Arrows with solid lines

indicate particles and dotted lines indicate volumes used as reference.

Fig. S3. FSC curves and angular distributions of the cryo-EM reconstructions. (A) Gold 5 Standard FSC curves of masked maps determined in Relion 3.1 or, in the case of the AMP-PCPtreated A-like U2 snRNP map, in cryoSPARC v2.15; grey: AMP-PCP-treated A-like, orange: 17S HEAT, brown: medium resolution A-like, light blue: 17S consensus, yellow: A-like, light gray: remodelled, dark blue: merged map. The local minima in the FSC curves for the 17S HEAT map

and the merged SF3b map are likely caused by the tight mask for local refinement. **(B)** Masked map-to-model FSC curves. **(C)** Unmasked map-to-model FSC curves. **(D)** Angular distribution of particles used in the reconstruction of the maps. **(E)-(G)**, Overview of the modelled proteins and RNA in the structure of the 17S **(E)**, remodelled **(F)**, and A-like U2 snRNP **(G)**. Filled in rectangles 5 denote the sequences that were modelled, opaque rectangles were modelled by fitting a crystal structure, empty rectangles are parts of the proteins and RNA that could not be assigned to the reconstructed maps. Selected domains important for this work are indicated.

Fig. S4. High-resolution interfaces of U2 snRNA. (A) Position of SF3B2, SF3A3, and U2 5 snRNA in the U2 snRNP shown in the map of the remodelled U2 snRNP. **(B)** Close-up of the interactions of the stem loop IIa (SLIIa). **(C)** Upper panel: Atomic model of the interface of SF3B6 with SF3B1^{HEAT} and U2 snRNA. The methyl group modifications at the 2'-O and N6 of A30 were not modelled. Lower panel: The atomic model fit into the 0.5σ gaussian-filtered mediumresolution map of the A-like U2 snRNA.

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Fig. S5. Biochemical characterisation of the 17S U2 snRNP *in vitro* **remodeling and engagement with BPS RNA. (A)** Western blot analysis of the eluates from the GFP-HTATSF1 5 or GFP-DDX46 sample immobilised on the GFP nanobody resin and incubated under various conditions. The resin and eluted fractions were probed for the presence of the U2 snRNP with antibodies against the core U2 snRNP components SNRPA1 and SNRPB2. **(B)** Glycerol gradient analysis of the Cy5-labelled BPS oligonucleotide to the 17S U2 snRNP or remodelled U2 snRNP. The relative Cy5-fluorescence of each fraction of the glycerol gradients was plotted. RFU, relative 10 fluorescence units. **(C-E)** Anti-SNRPA1 Western blot and SYBR Gold-stained Urea-PAGE analysis (to visualise RNA) of the glycerol gradients shown in (B) show that the U2 snRNP migrates at around fraction 11, the same fraction where the BPS oligo migrates when bound to the U2 snRNP. Specifically, the gradients were analysed after incubation of the BPS oligo with 17S U2 snRNP **(C)**, 17S U2 snRNP and ATP **(D)**, and with remodelled U2 snRNP **(E)**.

Fig. S6. High resolution modeling of the U2 snRNA. (A) Comparison of the structure of the SLIIa in human and yeast U2 snRNA, and human U12 snRNA. U2 snRNA residues U53 and U60 5 form trans-Watson-crick/Watson-crick interaction, while Ψ54 and A59 form a trans-Hoogsteen/Sugar Edge base-pair. Additionally, U55 forms a hydrogen bond with the phosphate backbone of the apical loop. This interaction cannot be achieved by any other nucleotide at this position, hence its evolutionary conservation. Despite significant differences in the base-pairing pattern between yeast and human SLIIa, both structures end up with nearly identical geometry 10 (backbone RMSD=0.76 Å) **(B)** The atomic model of the branch helix fit into the 0.5σ gaussian-

filtered high-resolution map of the A-like U2 snRNP. **(C)** The atomic model of SLIIa fit into the map of the remodelled U2 snRNP. **(D)** The atomic model of the BMSL fit into the 1σ gaussianfiltered high-resolution map of the remodelled U2 snRNP.

Fig. S7. Structure of the A-like U2 snRNP assembled in the presence of AMP-PCP. (A) Processing chart of 200kV/Falcon 3EC dataset of the A-like U2 snRNP assembled in the presence 5 of AMP-PCP. **(B)** Superposition of the map of the A-like complex assembled in the presence of ATP (salmon) or AMP-PCP (purple). Comparison with the surface model of the A-like U2 snRNP shows that there is very little signal for SF3A3 and SF3A2 in the AMP-PCP A-like U2 snRNP when compared to the complex assembled in the presence of ATP. It is possible that ATP

hydrolysis and displacement of HTATSF1 facilitate docking of the SF3A complex to the A-like U2 snRNP.

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Fig. S8. Electrophoretic Mobility Shift Assay (EMSA) with HTATSF1RRM/LH and U2 snRNA.

(A) SDS-PAGE of the recombinant HTATSF1RRM/LH sample expressed in *E.coli* and used for EMSA experiments. **(B)** Secondary structure of the U2 snRNA fragment used in the EMSA experiment. **(C)** Direct titration EMSA experiment for U2 snRNA 5'-end fragments (residues 1-10 24) synthesized with or without naturally occurring modifications (pseudouridylation and 2'-O methylation). **(D)** Direct titration EMSA experiment using full-length U2 snRNA purified from HEK293F cells.

Fig. S9. SF3B6 sequence conservation. (A) Evolutionary co-occurrence analysis of SF3B6 and branch site sequence motifs. For a number of eukaryotic organisms, SF3B6 homologues were

identified by using Blastp against a database of all non-redundant protein sequences (2021/08/31) (*66*). Listed are the UniProt ID and sequence identity to human SF3B6. Based on the T-Coffee multiple sequence alignment (*67*, *68*) it was decided whether the BLAST hit is a likely SF3B6 homologue. Specifically, the conservation of the interface with $SF2B1^{HEAT}$ (e.g. Y86), with U2 $5 \text{ mRNA} (12-16)$ and with SF3B1^{Nterm} was considered (around F98). $*$ indicates that biochemical evidence for or against the SF3B6 homologue in this organism is available. The percentage of introns that contain a consensus branch sequence (% BP motifs) was determined previously (*69*). Organisms with strong consensus sequences are coloured in red. Many organisms with consensus branch sequences do not have an SF3B6 homologue. T. vaginalis may be an exemption, though 10 its homologue differs from other SF3B6 homologues in the missing C-terminus, including the helix αC, which is involved in SF3B1^{Nterm} binding. **(B)** Multiple sequence alignment for SF3B6 from species listed in (A).

Table S1. Cryo-EM data collection, refinement, and validation statistics (part 1)

Table S1. Cryo-EM data collection, refinement, and validation statistics (part 2)

Table S2. Summary of modelled proteins and RNA (part 1).

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