Supporting Information

Enzymatic characterization of three human RNA adenosine methyltransferases reveals diverse substrate affinities and reaction optima

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A		B	C C C C C C C C C	Figure S1
	Human PCIF1 (PDB 6IRW)		L5-Trm112 (PDB 6H2U)	Human MettL16 (PDB 6DU4)
	(mRNA cap N6mA)	(18	S rRNA N6mA)	(3' UTR hairpin N6mA)
D	Group α or γ MTases = NH ₂ · · · · β 1-2-3 · · · · · · · · · · β 4-5-6-7 · · ·COOH			
	β1 Mot E. Coli Dam 31 LVEPF VG AG		Motif IV 175 SS VV YC DPPY APLSAT	substrate/product 190 DNA N6mA
			120 FDTVIMNPPFGTKNNK	
			116 VDLLVFNPPYVVTPPQ	
	PCIF1/CAPAM 513 TFECFASPL			
Е	Mammal	PCIF1	Motif I	Motif IV
_	Platypus – Ornithorhynchus anatinus Opossum – Monodelphis domestica	XP_028904763 XP 007474986	HRLFGVSFECFASPLNCYFRQYCSA HRLFGVSFECFASPLNCYFRQYCSA	FSPLSGSFEANPPFCEELMDAMVS FYPLSGSFEANPPFCEELMDAMVS
	Elephant – Loxodonta africana	XP 023406075	HRLFGVSFECFASPLNCIFRQICSA HRLFGVSFECFASPLNCIFRQICSA	FSPLSGSFEANPPFCEELMDATVS
	Armadillo – Dasypus novemcinctus	XP_012385012	HRLF <mark>S</mark> VSFEC FASPL NCYFRQYCSA	F <mark>S</mark> PLSGSFEA NPPF CEELMDAMVS
	Human – Homo sapiens Mouse – Mus musculus	NP_071387 NP 001361055	HRLFGVSFECFASPLNCYFRQYCSA HRLFGVSFECFASPLNCYFRQYCSA	FAPLSGSFEANPPFCEELMDAMVS FTPLSGSFEANPPFCEELMDAMVS
	Mole – Condylura cristata	XP 004687490	HRLFGVSFECFASPLNCIFRQICSA HRLFGVSFECFASPLNCYFRQYCSA	FSPLSGSFEANPPFCEELMDAMVS
	Bat – Pteropus vampyrus	XP_011367609	HRLFGVSFEC FASPL NCYFRQYCSA	F <mark>S</mark> PLSGSFEA NPPF CEELMDAMVS
	Goat – Capra aegagrus / C. hircus	XP_017913438 XP 023482399	HRLFGVSFECFASPLNCYFRQYCSA HRLFGVSFECFASPLNCYFRQYCSA	FSPLSGSFEANPPFCEELMDAMVS FSPLSGSFEANPPFCEELMDAMVS
	Horse – Equus caballus Pangolin – Manis pentadactyla	XP 036758026	HRLFGVSFECFASPLNCIFRQICSA HRLF <mark>S</mark> VSFECFASPLNCYFRQYCSA	FSPLSGSFEANPPFCEELMDAMVS FSPLSGSFEANPPFCEELMDAMVS
	Wolf – Canis lupus	XP_005635184	HRLF <mark>S</mark> VSFEC FASPL NCYFRQYCSA	F <mark>S</mark> PLSGSFEA NPPF CEELMDAMVS
	Mammal	MettL5	MotifI	Motif IV
	Platypus – Ornithorhynchus anatinus	XP_028927764	YDDIE <mark>D</mark> KVVA DLGCG CGVLSIG <mark>S</mark> AM	MSKSFDTVIM NPPF GTK <mark>H</mark> NKG <mark>M</mark> DM
	Opossum – Monodelphis domestica	XP_001375717 XP 010601144	YDDIENKVIGDLGCGCGMLSIGAAM YDDIENKVVADLGCGCGVLSIGTAM	ISKSFDTIIMNPPFGTKHNKGMDM MSKSFDTVIMNPPFGTKNNKGTDM
	Elephant – Loxodonta africana Armadillo – Dasypus novemcinctus	XP_010601144 XP_004460848	YDDIENKVVA DLGCG CGVLSIGTAM YDDIENKVVA DLGCG CGVLSIGTAM	MSKSFDTVIMNPPFGTKNNKGTDM MSKSFDTVIMNPPFGTKNNKGIDI
	Human – Homo sapiens	NP_001280115	YDDIENKVVA DLGCG CGVLSIGTAM	MSKSFDTVIM NPPF GTKNNKGTDM
	Mouse – Mus musculus Mole – Condylura cristata	NP_083556 XP 004674616	YDDIENKAVA DLGCG CGVLSIG A AM YDDIENKMVA DLGCG CGVLSIGTAM	MSKLFDTVIMNPPFGTKNNKGTDM SKSFDTVIMNPPFGTKNNKGTDM
	Bat – Pteropus vampyrus	XP 023385363	YDDIENKVIADLGCGCGVLSIGIAM	MSKSFDTVIMNPPFGTKNNKGTDM
	Goat – Capra aegagrus / C. hircus	XP_005676044	YDDIENKVVA DLGCG CGVLSIGTAM	LSKSFDTVIMNPPFGTKNNKGTDM
	Horse – Equus caballus	XP_001498013	YDDIENKVVA DLGCG CGVLSIGTAM	MSKSFDTVIMNPPFGTKNNKGTDM
	Pangolin – Manis pentadactyla Wolf – Canis lupus	XP_036743976 XP_005640349	YDDIENKVVA DLGCG CGVLSIGTAM YDDIENKVVA DLGCG CGVLSIGTAM	MSKSFDTVIMNPPFGTKN-KGTDM MSKSFDTVIMNPPFGTKNNKGTDM
	Mammal Platypus – Ornithorhynchus anatinus	MettL16 XP 028938135	Motif I SLKNTLRRGIDIGTGASCIYPLLGA	Motif IV SEIIYDFCMCNPPFFANQLEAKGV
	Opossum – Monodelphis domestica	XP_016284792	PARSALRRGIDIGTGASCIYPLLGA	SEIIYDFCMC NPPF FANQLEAKGV
	Elephant – <i>Loxodonta africana</i> Human – <i>Homo sapiens</i>	XP_003417034 NP 076991	SD <mark>R</mark> STLRRGI DIGTG ASCIYPLLGA SDKSTLRRGI DIGTG ASCIYPLLGA	SEIIYDFCMCNPPFFANQLEAKGV SEIIYDFCMCNPPFFANQLEAKGV
	Human – Homo sapiens Mouse – Mus musculus	NP_076991 NP_080473	SDKSTLRRGI DIGTG ASCIYPLLGA SDK <mark>T</mark> TLRRGI DIGTG ASCIYPLLGA	SEITYDFCMCNPPFFANQLEAKGV SEIVYDFCMCNPPFFANQLEAKGV
	Mole – Condylura cristata	XP_004684839	SDKSTLRRGI DIGTG ASCIYPLLG <mark>T</mark>	SEIIYDFCMCNPPFFANQLEAKGV
	Bat – Pteropus vampyrus	XP_011358139	SDKTTLRRGI DIGTG ASCIYPLLG	SEIVDFCMCNPPFFANQLEAKGV
	Goat – Capra aegagrus / C. hircus Horse – Equus caballus	XP_005693382 XP_014583405	SDKSTLRRGI DIGTG ASCIYPLLG <mark>T</mark> SDKSTLRRGI DIGTG ASCIYPLLG <mark>T</mark>	SEIIYDFCMC NPPF FANQLEAKGV SEIIYDFCMC NPPF FANQLEAKGV
	Pangolin – Manis pentadactyla	XP_036762024	SDKSTLRRGI DIGTG ASCIYPLLG <mark>T</mark>	SEIIYDFCMC NPPF FANQLEAKGV
	Wolf – Canis lupus	XP_022279183	SDKSTLRRGI DIGTG ASCIYPLLG <mark>T</mark>	SEIIYDFCMC NPPF FANQLEAKGV

Figure S1. The seven-stranded class-I methyltransferase domain in (A) PCIF1 (PDB 6IRW), (B)

MettL5-Trm112 (PDB 6H2U), and (C) Mettl16 (6DU4), showing the standard central

topological switch-point, seen in this family of MTases, between strands β 1 (cyan) and β 4 (magenta). (**D**) The relative sequence positions, of conserved motif I (located in the carboxy end of strand β 1) and motif IV (located in carboxy end of strand β 4), are similar to those of *E. coli* DNA adenine methyltransferase (Dam) and human HemK2, a protein glutamine and lysine MTase. The common feature of the respective substrates is the amino group (NH₂) of DNA/RNA adenine or protein glutamine or lysine (in the deprotonated state), at which all three methylation reactions are catalyzed by a NPPF/Y version of motif IV. (**E**) Structure-guided alignment shows that PCIF1 has a somewhat unusual version of motif I (SAM binding, in this case lacking the typical GxG element) that is highly conserved among mammals. The MettL5 and MettL16 motifs I (DxGxG) and IV are well conserved across the Mammalia. Not shown is *D. novemcinctus* (armadillo) MettL16 homolog (XP_023441943), which may start from the wrong (downstream) ATG; the rest of the putative amino-terminal sequence is not available. Variations from the human sequence are highlighted by cyan background.

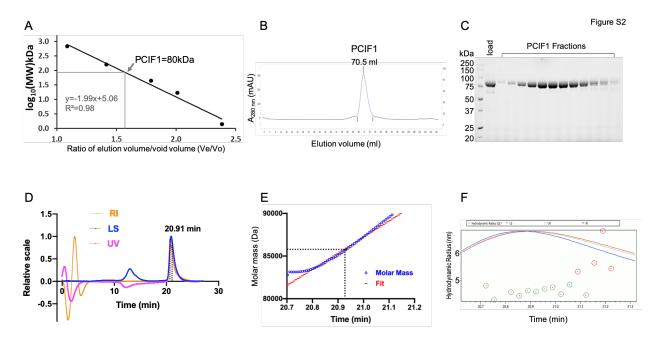


Figure S2. Purified recombinant PCIF1 used in this study. (**A**) A calibration curve for a Superdex 200 16/60 column based on five standards. The estimated apparent molecular weight of PCIF1 is 80 kDa. (**B**) Elution profile of PCIF1 and (**C**) peak fractions (shown in 12% SDS PAGE) from gel filtration column (Superdex S200 16/60). (**D**) SEC-MALS profile of PCIF1. Elution profile from the Shodex KW803 column. Peak at 20.91 min corresponding to PCIF1. (**E**) The observed molecular weight of PCIF1 is 86 kDa (Y-axis) at 20.91 min (X-axis). (**F**) Plot of hydrodynamic radius in circles (Y-axis) versus time of elution (X-axis). The observed hydrodynamic radius is 4.8±0.4 nm.

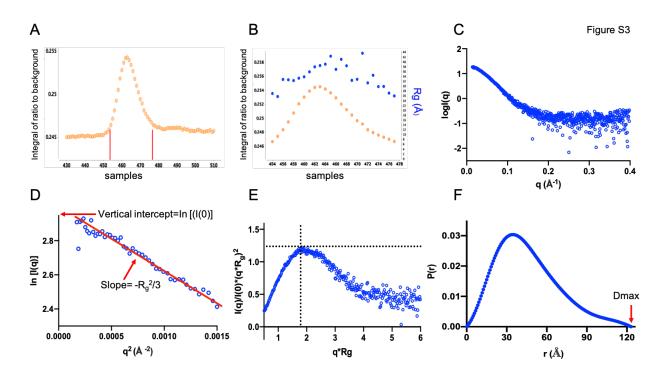


Figure S3. SEC-SAXS analysis of PCIF1. (A) In line SEC trace showing PCIF1 elutes as a single peak with no apparent signs of aggregation. (B) The blue dots show corresponding values of radius of gyration (R_g) across the elution peak. (C) Experimental scattering curve plotted as logI(q) versus q in units of inverse angstroms after background-subtracted from the buffer scattering (q= $4\pi \sin\theta/\lambda$ where 20 is defined as the scattering angle and λ is the wavelength in Å of the incoming X-ray beam). (D) Guinier plot as a linear fit between In(I) versus q². The R_g value (~36 Å) is derived from the slope (= -R_g²/3). The zero-angle scattering intensity I(0) value (20.81) is derived from the vertical intercept. (E) Dimensionless Kratky plot is presented as (qR_g)²I(q)/I(0) versus qR_g. The bell-shaped peak at low q suggests that PCIF1 is well-folded and globular in solution. The Porod volume is ~125,875 Å³ and molecular weight is ~86 kDa. (F) Normalized pair distance distribution function P(r), generated from the Fourier transform of I(q), represents a continuous electron-pair distances (r) in the protein. The maximum dimension of the protein Dmax is estimated to be 121 Å.

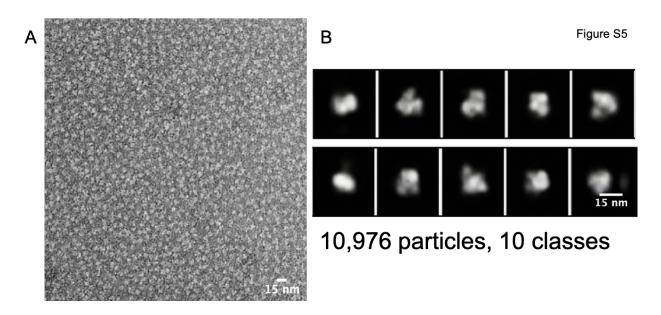


Figure S4. EM analysis of full length PCIF1. (**A**) A representative electron micrograph of PCIF1 negatively stained with 2% uranyl acetate and recorded at 40,000x. The scale bar is 15 nm. (**B**) Ten different 2D class averages generated from 10,976 particles.