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Data collection	Western Blots were imaged using ChemiDoc Imaging System with Image-Lab(Bio-Rad), qPCR data was collected using LightCycler 96 (Roche). For immunofluorescence Zen (Zeiss) was used to record the data.
Data analysis	QuasR v1.30, deepTools v2.4.2, MonteGrappa v1.2, HiC-Pro v2.11.1, HiTC v1.32.0, IDR v.2.0, reshape2 v1.4.4, rtracklayer v1.50.0, Rcpp v1.0.6, GenomicRanges v1.42.0, matrix2insulation.pl v1.0.0, MACS2 2.1.3.3, STAR v2.7.0, FIJI v.2.1.0, LAMMPS, GraphPad Prism 6, Imapris 9.5.1 (Bitplane) Further settings of the Hi-C, compartment analysis and the simulation have been made available here: <a href="https://github.com/zhanyinx/Zenk_Zhan_et_al_Nature2021">https://github.com/zhanyinx/Zenk_Zhan_et_al_Nature2021</a>

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Also processed data are available there. The bed files of called HP1 peaks is provided as Supplementary Tables of this study. Further a table with RNA-Seq counts is

available as Supplementary Table.

Public databases used: BSgenome.Dmelanogaster.UCSC.dm6, org.Dm.eg.db, TxDb.Dmelanogaster.UCSC.dm6.ensGene

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Sample size	For Hi-C data we used 5-7 biological replicates. All ChIP-Seq experiments have been performed at least in biological replicates. For RNA-Seq 3-4 biological replicates were collected. We did not apply statistical methods to pre-determine sample size and followed the general standard practice in the field. Number of replicate experiments is indicated in the legends.
Data exclusions	We did not exclude data.
Replication	We performed all experiments in biological replicates and could observe agreement between the replicates. All experiments were performed at least twice independently and material was collected independently and by different researchers.
Randomization	We controlled variability by collecting the samples in several batches and by employing different researchers. Samples were allocated randomly to the researcher. We also performed a high number of biological replicates and collected pools of embryos at the same developmental stage.
Blinding	We did not perform blinded experiments. Complete blinding was not possible because the mutant phenotypes were evident from the development of the embryo. First computational analysis and inspection of HiC data were performed blinded.

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## Antibodies

Antibodies used	<p>A detailed list of all antibodies used in the study is provided in the materials and methods.</p> <p>HP1 Developmental Studies Hybridoma Bank C1A9          HP1 Covance, PRB-291C-200          HA (C29F4) Cell Signaling #3724S          HA.11 Covance MMS-101P          H3K9ac ActiveMotif 39586          H3K9ac ActiveMotif 39918          H3K9me3 ActiveMotif 39161          H3K9me2 ActiveMotif 39239          H3K9me3 Abcam ab176916          H3K27me3 Diagenode, C15410195 (Lot A1811-001P)          H3K4me1 Diagenode, C15410194 (Lot A1862D)          H3K4me3 Diagenode, C15410003          H3K27ac Diagenode, C15410196 (Lot A1723-041D)          Rpb3 (PolII) Carla Margulies Lab          Tubulin DM1 Sigma T9026          H3 ActiveMotif MABI 0301          Rpb3 (PolII) Asifa Akhtar Lab</p>
Validation	<p>Antibodies used in this study are commercially available and have been validated by the manufacturer. We further validated antibodies against H3K9me3, H3K9me2, H3K9ac, H3K27me3, H3K27ac, H3K4me1, HP1, Rpb3 either by Immunofluorescence staining or Western Blot in the control and the knockdown of the respective epigenetic writer or the protein itself.</p> <p>HP1 Developmental Studies Hybridoma Bank C1A9 (validated by western blot and ChIP in HP1-KD in ED Fig. 1g and 3b)          HP1 Covance, PRB-291C-200          HA (C29F4) Cell Signaling #3724S (according to manufacturer used in 866 publications, validated for ChIP)          HA.11 Covance MMS-101P          H3K9ac ActiveMotif 39586 (according to manufacturer used in 7 publications, validated for ChIP)          H3K9ac ActiveMotif 39918 (according to manufacturer validated for ChIP and NGS applications)          H3K9me3 ActiveMotif 39161 (according to manufacturer validated for ChIP and NGS applications)          H3K9me2 ActiveMotif 39239 (validated by immunofluorescence in K9M in ED Fig. 4a)          H3K9me3 Abcam ab176916 (according to manufacturer used in 11 publications, validated for ChIP)          H3K27me3 Diagenode, C15410195 (Lot A1811-001P) (validated by ChIP in E(z)-KD in Zenk et al. 2017, Science)          H3K4me1 Diagenode, C15410194 (Lot A1862D) (according to manufacturer used in 44 publications, validated for ChIP)          H3K4me3 Diagenode, C15410003 (according to manufacturer used in 184 publications, validated for ChIP)          H3K27ac Diagenode, C15410196 (Lot A1723-041D) (according to manufacturer validated for ChIP and NGS applications)          Rpb3 (PolII) Carla Margulies Lab          Tubulin DM1 Sigma T9026          H3 ActiveMotif MABI 0301          Rpb3 (PolII) Asifa Akhtar Lab (validated by western blot in Rpb3 KD embryos)</p>

## Eukaryotic cell lines

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Cell line source(s)	We used S2 cell line provided by Dr. Michael Boutros, DKFZ, Heidelberg. Details about the cell line are included in the materials and methods. Origin of S2 cells Schneider I (1972). "Cell Lines Derived from Late Embryonic Stages of Drosophila melanogaster". J. Embryol. Exp. Morphol. 27: 363–365.
Authentication	The cell line has been authenticated by visual inspection of the morphology. Further total RNA-Sequencing indicated absence of viral or microbial infections.
Mycoplasma contamination	The cell line tested negative for Mycoplasma.
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## Ethics oversight

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## Laboratory animals

We used *Drosophila melanogaster* embryos to perform all experiments presented. We used fly lines encoding short hairpin RNAs against the target provided by the TRiP consortium and made available through the Bloomington stock center (Driver #7063, HP1-KD #33400). A description of fly lines generated in this study is provided in the materials and methods. All work was conducted in *Drosophila melanogaster*, an invertebrate animal (hexapod arthropod from the insect group). Invertebrate models are not regulated by the TierSchVersV and therefore are not subjected to ethical approval.

## Wild animals

The study did not involve wild animals.

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## Ethics oversight

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## ChIP-seq

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#### Files in database submission

GSM4173897 ChIP H3K27ac IP repl1  
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Genome browser session  
 (e.g. [UCSC](#))

All bigwig files are available in GEO (GSE140542).

## Methodology

Replicates	All ChIP experiments were performed in biological replicates. We inspected the agreement of replicates visually in the genome browser and by computing heatmaps on the individual replicates.
Sequencing depth	We sequenced all samples in the study at least to a depth of 15 Mio.
Antibodies	A detailed list of all antibodies used in the study is provided in the materials and methods (table 1). The HP1 antibody was also validated by performing ChIP-seq in HP1-KD embryos.
Peak calling parameters	Peaks were called using macs2, using a cut-off of 0.05 on the q-value. --broad option was added for the H3K9me3 and HP1 ChIP. Further details are available in the materials and methods.
Data quality	We visually inspected all ChIP tracks and called peaks in the genome browser. To call the peaks we used a cut-off of 0.05 on the q-value and only included peaks that passed this threshold.
Software	Reads were mapped to the <i>D. melanogaster</i> genome (build dm6) using qAlign from QuasR package using the following alignments parameters: -n 2 -l 28 -e 70 -k 1 -X 500. This allows to keep reads mapping to multiple loci and randomly assigns them to one of the multiple locations. ChIP enrichment over input was calculated using bamCompare from deepTools using the following parameters: --scaleFactorsMethod SES --smoothLength 900 --binSize 300. Further details are available in the materials and methods.

## Flow Cytometry

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- Noise and artifact removal *Describe your procedure(s) for artifact and structured noise removal, specifying motion parameters, tissue signals and physiological signals (heart rate, respiration).*

Volume censoring

Define your software and/or method and criteria for volume censoring, and state the extent of such censoring.

## Statistical modeling &amp; inference

Model type and settings

Specify type (mass univariate, multivariate, RSA, predictive, etc.) and describe essential details of the model at the first and second levels (e.g. fixed, random or mixed effects; drift or auto-correlation).

Effect(s) tested

Define precise effect in terms of the task or stimulus conditions instead of psychological concepts and indicate whether ANOVA or factorial designs were used.

Specify type of analysis:  Whole brain  ROI-based  BothStatistic type for inference  
(See [Eklund et al. 2016](#))

Specify voxel-wise or cluster-wise and report all relevant parameters for cluster-wise methods.

Correction

Describe the type of correction and how it is obtained for multiple comparisons (e.g. FWE, FDR, permutation or Monte Carlo).

## Models &amp; analysis

n/a | Involved in the study

  Functional and/or effective connectivity  Graph analysis  Multivariate modeling or predictive analysis

Functional and/or effective connectivity

Report the measures of dependence used and the model details (e.g. Pearson correlation, partial correlation, mutual information).

Graph analysis

Report the dependent variable and connectivity measure, specifying weighted graph or binarized graph, subject- or group-level, and the global and/or node summaries used (e.g. clustering coefficient, efficiency, etc.).

Multivariate modeling and predictive analysis

Specify independent variables, features extraction and dimension reduction, model, training and evaluation metrics.