

## Reporting Summary

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### Statistics

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- The exact sample size ( $n$ ) for each experimental group/condition, given as a discrete number and unit of measurement
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- The statistical test(s) used AND whether they are one- or two-sided  
*Only common tests should be described solely by name; describe more complex techniques in the Methods section.*
- A description of all covariates tested
- A description of any assumptions or corrections, such as tests of normality and adjustment for multiple comparisons
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- For null hypothesis testing, the test statistic (e.g.  $F$ ,  $t$ ,  $r$ ) with confidence intervals, effect sizes, degrees of freedom and  $P$  value noted  
*Give  $P$  values as exact values whenever suitable.*
- For Bayesian analysis, information on the choice of priors and Markov chain Monte Carlo settings
- For hierarchical and complex designs, identification of the appropriate level for tests and full reporting of outcomes
- Estimates of effect sizes (e.g. Cohen's  $d$ , Pearson's  $r$ ), indicating how they were calculated

*Our web collection on [statistics for biologists](#) contains articles on many of the points above.*

### Software and code

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Data collection

No software was used for data collection

Data analysis

All custom scripts used in this study are available at GitHub (<https://github.com/Spicuglia-Lab/IFN-Data-Analysis>) and archived at <https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.5507612>. Other software used in this study are: Bowtie (v2.3.4.3), STAR aligner (v2.4.2a), Sickle (v1.33), RSeQC program suite (v2.6.4), DESeq2 (v1.6.3), SamTools (v0.1.9, v1.13), BedTools (v2.17.0, v2.28.0), DLOGRAM tool (V1), DeepTools (v3.2.1), Macs2 (v2.2.7.1), SeqPlots tool (v1), IGV genome browser (v2.11.1), GREAT (v4.0.4), HOMER (V2), CrispRGold (v1.1), webtool CRISPRdirect (V1), GraphPad (7.0), R version (4.1.0).

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### Data

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- Accession codes, unique identifiers, or web links for publicly available datasets
- A description of any restrictions on data availability
- For clinical datasets or third party data, please ensure that the statement adheres to our [policy](#)

The RNA-Seq, CapSTARR-seq and CHIP-Seq data generated in this study have been submitted to the Gene Expression Omnibus (GEO) under the accession code GSE159462 (<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/query/acc.cgi?acc=GSE159462>). Public datasets can be found under accession codes: ENCSR000FAU (<https://www.encodeproject.org/experiments/ENCSR000FAU/>), ENCSR000FBC (<https://www.encodeproject.org/experiments/ENCSR000FBC/>), ENCSR000EGL (<https://www.encodeproject.org/experiments/ENCSR000EGL/>)

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## Field-specific reporting

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Life sciences  Behavioural & social sciences  Ecological, evolutionary & environmental sciences

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## Life sciences study design

All studies must disclose on these points even when the disclosure is negative.

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| Sample size     | Samples size was not determined by calculations. Each experiment was performed in triplicate. the number of CRISPR edited clones was determined by the screening process |
| Data exclusions | No data was excluded   |
| Replication     | The reproducibility was achieved by performing a minimum of three replicates for each experiment   |
| Randomization   | Randomization was not applied in our study as we did not had a clinical research involving treatments.   |
| Blinding        | Due to the experimental design and goals of our article sample blinding was not necessary.   |

## Behavioural & social sciences study design

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| Study description | <i>Briefly describe the study type including whether data are quantitative, qualitative, or mixed-methods (e.g. qualitative cross-sectional, quantitative experimental, mixed-methods case study).</i>   |
| Research sample   | <i>State the research sample (e.g. Harvard university undergraduates, villagers in rural India) and provide relevant demographic information (e.g. age, sex) and indicate whether the sample is representative. Provide a rationale for the study sample chosen. For studies involving existing datasets, please describe the dataset and source.</i>  |
| Sampling strategy | <i>Describe the sampling procedure (e.g. random, snowball, stratified, convenience). Describe the statistical methods that were used to predetermine sample size OR if no sample-size calculation was performed, describe how sample sizes were chosen and provide a rationale for why these sample sizes are sufficient. For qualitative data, please indicate whether data saturation was considered, and what criteria were used to decide that no further sampling was needed.</i> |
| Data collection   | <i>Provide details about the data collection procedure, including the instruments or devices used to record the data (e.g. pen and paper, computer, eye tracker, video or audio equipment) whether anyone was present besides the participant(s) and the researcher, and whether the researcher was blind to experimental condition and/or the study hypothesis during data collection.</i>  |
| Timing            | <i>Indicate the start and stop dates of data collection. If there is a gap between collection periods, state the dates for each sample cohort.</i>   |
| Data exclusions   | <i>If no data were excluded from the analyses, state so OR if data were excluded, provide the exact number of exclusions and the rationale behind them, indicating whether exclusion criteria were pre-established.</i>  |
| Non-participation | <i>State how many participants dropped out/declined participation and the reason(s) given OR provide response rate OR state that no participants dropped out/declined participation.</i>   |
| Randomization     | <i>If participants were not allocated into experimental groups, state so OR describe how participants were allocated to groups, and if allocation was not random, describe how covariates were controlled.</i>   |

# Ecological, evolutionary & environmental sciences study design

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| Study description                 | Briefly describe the study. For quantitative data include treatment factors and interactions, design structure (e.g. factorial, nested, hierarchical), nature and number of experimental units and replicates.  |
| Research sample                   | Describe the research sample (e.g. a group of tagged <i>Passer domesticus</i> , all <i>Stenocereus thurberi</i> within Organ Pipe Cactus National Monument), and provide a rationale for the sample choice. When relevant, describe the organism taxa, source, sex, age range and any manipulations. State what population the sample is meant to represent when applicable. For studies involving existing datasets, describe the data and its source. |
| Sampling strategy                 | Note the sampling procedure. Describe the statistical methods that were used to predetermine sample size OR if no sample-size calculation was performed, describe how sample sizes were chosen and provide a rationale for why these sample sizes are sufficient.   |
| Data collection                   | Describe the data collection procedure, including who recorded the data and how.  |
| Timing and spatial scale          | Indicate the start and stop dates of data collection, noting the frequency and periodicity of sampling and providing a rationale for these choices. If there is a gap between collection periods, state the dates for each sample cohort. Specify the spatial scale from which the data are taken   |
| Data exclusions                   | If no data were excluded from the analyses, state so OR if data were excluded, describe the exclusions and the rationale behind them, indicating whether exclusion criteria were pre-established.   |
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| Did the study involve field work? | <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No  |

## Field work, collection and transport

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| Field conditions       | Describe the study conditions for field work, providing relevant parameters (e.g. temperature, rainfall).  |
| Location               | State the location of the sampling or experiment, providing relevant parameters (e.g. latitude and longitude, elevation, water depth).   |
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### Materials & experimental systems

| n/a                                 | Involved in the study                                     |
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### Methods

| n/a                                 | Involved in the study                           |
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| <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ChIP-seq    |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> MRI-based neuroimaging |

## Antibodies

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| Antibodies used | IRF9 Rabbit IgG, clone D2T8M. Cell signal #766845.<br>H3K27ac Rabbit mAB, Diagenode #C15210016<br>H3K4me3 Rabbit polyclonal AB. Diagenode #C15410003<br>H3K4me1 Rabbit polyclonal AB. Diagenode #C15410194   |
| Validation      | IRF9 antibody has been validated SimpleChIP® Enzymatic Chromatin IP Kits by Cell Signal<br>H3K27ac, H3K4me3 and H3K4me1 were validated by CHIP-seq by Diagenode<br>All antibodies were validated in the lab by ChIP analyses using known positive and negative control |

## Eukaryotic cell lines

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| Cell line source(s)  | K562 (CCL-243) cell line was obtained from ATCC<br>THP-1 (ACC-16) was obtained by DSMZ |
| Authentication   | The cell lines were not authenticated  |
| Mycoplasma contamination   | Negative to mycoplasma contamination   |
| Commonly misidentified lines<br>(See <a href="#">ICLAC</a> register) | No commonly misidentified lines were used  |

## ChIP-seq

### Data deposition

- Confirm that both raw and final processed data have been deposited in a public database such as [GEO](#).
- Confirm that you have deposited or provided access to graph files (e.g. BED files) for the called peaks.

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| Data access links<br><i>May remain private before publication.</i> | No commonly misidentified lines were used  |
| Files in database submission                                       | Chip-seq IRF9 K562 + IFNa 6h<br>Chip-seq H3K27ac K562<br>Chip-seq H3K27ac K562 + IFNa 6h<br>Chip-seq H3K4me3 K562<br>Chip-seq H3K4me3 K562 + IFNa 6h<br>Chip-seq H3K4me1 K562<br>Chip-seq H3K4me1 K562 + IFNa 6h |
| Genome browser session<br>(e.g. <a href="#">UCSC</a> )             | no longer applicable   |

### Methodology

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| Replicates              | Single replicate ChIP  |
| Sequencing depth        | 38.9 million reads paired-end 50+30 bp. 36.7 million reads after sickle trimming. 27.8 million uniquely mapped reads. Fragment length 215 bp.  |
| Antibodies              | IRF9 Rabbit IgG, clone D2T8M. Cell signal #766845.<br>H3K27ac Rabbit mAB, Diagenode #C15210016<br>H3K4me3 Rabbit polyclonal AB. Diagenode #C15410003<br>H3K4me1 Rabbit polyclonal AB. Diagenode #C15410194   |
| Peak calling parameters | Reads were aligned using bowtie2 on hg19 assembly with default parameters and further filtered using samtools view with "-q 30" parameter. Peaks were called using MACS2 with "--gs-size hs" parameter using input.  |
| Data quality            | Peaks were called with a 5% FDR threshold  |
| Software                | Base-calling with bcl2fastq v2.19.0<br>Trimming with sickle v1.33 and "-t-sanger -q 20" arguments<br>Alignment on hg19 genome with bowtie v2.4.2<br>Filtering on mapping quality using samtools v1.1 and "view -q 30" argument<br>Peaks were called using Macs2 v2.1.1<br>Bigwig files were produced using DeepTools bamCoverage using RPKM normalization. |