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Data collection

Data analysis

SCREEN (no version number)  
 STAR v2.5.1b\_modified  
 STREME v5.4.1

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The data analyzed in this paper are available at NCBI's Gene Expression Omnibus (<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/>) under accession code GSE156074 (<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/query/acc.cgi?acc=GSE156074>). This GEO Series includes annotated links to all the CTCF ChIP-seq files, the RNA-seq files, and the DNase-seq files. The DNase-seq peaks were retrieved from Zenodo (<https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.3838751>). The list of identifiers for the subset of samples analyzed in this paper are in Supplementary File 9.

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N/A

Population characteristics

N/A

Recruitment

N/A

Ethics oversight

N/A

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## Life sciences study design

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Sample size

No sample size calculation was performed. Analyses were performed on data with 1-3 replicates per condition.

Data exclusions

No data were excluded from datasets used.

Replication

Reproducibility of results were shown by analyzing multiple datasets (e.g., comparing results from 2 different chromosomes).

Randomization

The experimental groups were objectively determined, e.g., examining ChIP-seq data or RNA-seq across multiple cell types at different stages of differentiation. No randomization was used.

Blinding

There was not a specific end-point or read-out to this study, so blinding was not relevant.

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- Dual use research of concern

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- ChIP-seq
- Flow cytometry
- MRI-based neuroimaging

## ChIP-seq

## Data deposition

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## Data access links

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<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/query/acc.cgi?acc=GSE156074>

## Files in database submission

GSE156074\_CTCF\_classes.bed.gz, GSE156074\_RAW.tar, GSE156074\_climbCtcfSigCh12.bw, GSE156074\_climbCtcfSigEr4.bw, GSE156074\_climbCtcfSigEry.bw, GSE156074\_climbCtcfSigEryfl.bw, GSE156074\_climbCtcfSigHpc7.bw, GSE156074\_climbCtcfSigMel.bw, GSE156074\_climbCtcfSigMono.bw, GSE156074\_climbCtcfSigNeu.bw, GSE156074\_climbCtcfSigTcd4.bw, GSE156074\_climbCtcfSigTcd8.bw

## Genome browser session

(e.g. [UCSC](#))

[https://main.genome-browser.bx.psu.edu/cgi-bin/hgTracks?hgS\\_doOtherUser=submit&hgS\\_otherUserName=cak142&hgS\\_otherUserSessionName=Koch\\_CLIMB\\_mm10](https://main.genome-browser.bx.psu.edu/cgi-bin/hgTracks?hgS_doOtherUser=submit&hgS_otherUserName=cak142&hgS_otherUserSessionName=Koch_CLIMB_mm10)

## Methodology

## Replicates

The data used in this manuscript is a re-analysis of already published datasets. Some of the cell types, including LSK (2), CH12 (2), G1E-ER4+E2 (2), erythroblasts (3), MEL (2), and monocytes had replicates available. Only one replicate was available for several rare cell types iMk, CMP, GMP, MEP, CFUMk, and CFUE. Additionally, only one replicate was used for T\_CD4, T\_CD8, and G1E cells.

## Sequencing depth

ID,Target,Cell type,Total reads,Mapped reads mm10,Read length bp,Sequencing parameters

1925,CTCF,G1E,42587210,34060317,50,single end  
 1299,CTCF,LSK,28398021,27118221,50,single end  
 1295,CTCF,LSK,82541801,79058840,50,single end  
 1908,CTCF,iMk,35330050,33568039,50,single end  
 1976,CTCF,CMP,30986124,28925148,50,single end  
 1977,CTCF,GMP,29603542,28200655,50,single end  
 1978,CTCF,MEP,32550070,30632592,50,single end  
 1979,CTCF,CFUMk,27896499,25821404,50,single end  
 1980,CTCF,CFUE,26850438,25531371,50,single end  
 35,CTCF,CH12,14758965,14404662,36,single end  
 47,CTCF,CH12,24993861,24294384,36,single end  
 25,CTCF,G1E-ER4+E2,14336356,13957215,36,single end  
 76,CTCF,G1E-ER4+E2,13857723,12927456,41,single end  
 100146,CTCF,erythroblasts,77792483,60523200,51,single end  
 100162,CTCF,erythroblasts,23408126,22098595,50,single end  
 100163,CTCF,erythroblasts,23637956,22789117,50,single end  
 44,CTCF,MEL,21649898,20950673,36,single end  
 69,CTCF,MEL,33289675,31242619,41,single end  
 100164,CTCF,monocytes,25175692,23464891,36,single end  
 100166,CTCF,monocytes,31232109,28948689,36,single end  
 100151,CTCF,neutrophils,16574362,15638199,50,single end  
 100157,CTCF,T\_CD4,38156242,37438700,36,single end  
 100158,CTCF,T\_CD8,7349830,6894634,39,single end  
 100127,CTCF,HPC7,40085503,37929499,37,single end

## Antibodies

Millipore 07-729

## Peak calling parameters

Wiggle and peaks called using MACS with parameters --format BAM --gsize 1870000000 --tsize 36 --bw 120 --mfold 12 --wig --space 1  
 Filter blacklist regions from peaks, and convert the \*peaks.xls file from MACs to broadpeak format (see UCSC Genome Browser for format specs)  
 S3norm version 1(<https://github.com/guanjue/S3norm>) and default parameters except -r max1

## Data quality

ID,Target,Cell type,FRiP score  
 1299,CTCF,LSK,0.003  
 1295,CTCF,LSK,0.038  
 35,CTCF,CH12,0.07  
 47,CTCF,CH12,0.05  
 25,CTCF,G1E-ER4+E2,0.13  
 76,CTCF,G1E-ER4+E2,0.18  
 100146,CTCF,erythroblasts,0.28  
 100162,CTCF,erythroblasts,0.41  
 100163,CTCF,erythroblasts,0.33  
 44,CTCF,MEL,0.110  
 69,CTCF,MEL,0.144  
 100164,CTCF,monocytes,0.09  
 100166,CTCF,monocytes,0.12  
 1925,CTCF,G1E,0.352  
 1908,CTCF,iMk,0.054  
 1976,CTCF,CMP,0.097  
 1977,CTCF,GMP,0.19  
 1978,CTCF,MEP,0.29  
 1979,CTCF,CFUMk,0.17  
 1980,CTCF,CFUE,0.031  
 100151,CTCF,neutrophils,0.087  
 100157,CTCF,T\_CD4,0.55  
 100158,CTCF,T\_CD8,0.55  
 100127,CTCF,HPC7,0.7

## Software

Basecalls using bcl2fastq-1.8.4, and parameters --no-eamss --mismatches 1  
 Mapping to reference genome mm10 canon with Bowtie 1.0.0 using parameters --chunkmbs 1024 -y -n 2 --best -k 1 --maxbts 800 -l 28 -e 80 --sam-nohead --sam  
 Wiggle and peaks called using MACS with parameters --format BAM --gsize 1870000000 --tsize 36 --bw 120 --mfold 12 --wig --space 1  
 Filter blacklist regions from peaks, and convert the \*peaks.xls file from MACS to broadpeak format (see UCSC Genome Browser for format specs)  
 S3norm version 1(<https://github.com/guanjue/S3norm>) and default parameters except -r max1  
 CLIMB 1.0.0 (<https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.7121446>) with dependent Julia package cgibbs.jl version 1.0.0 (<https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.7121450>). CLIMB was run at the default settings in all analyses.