



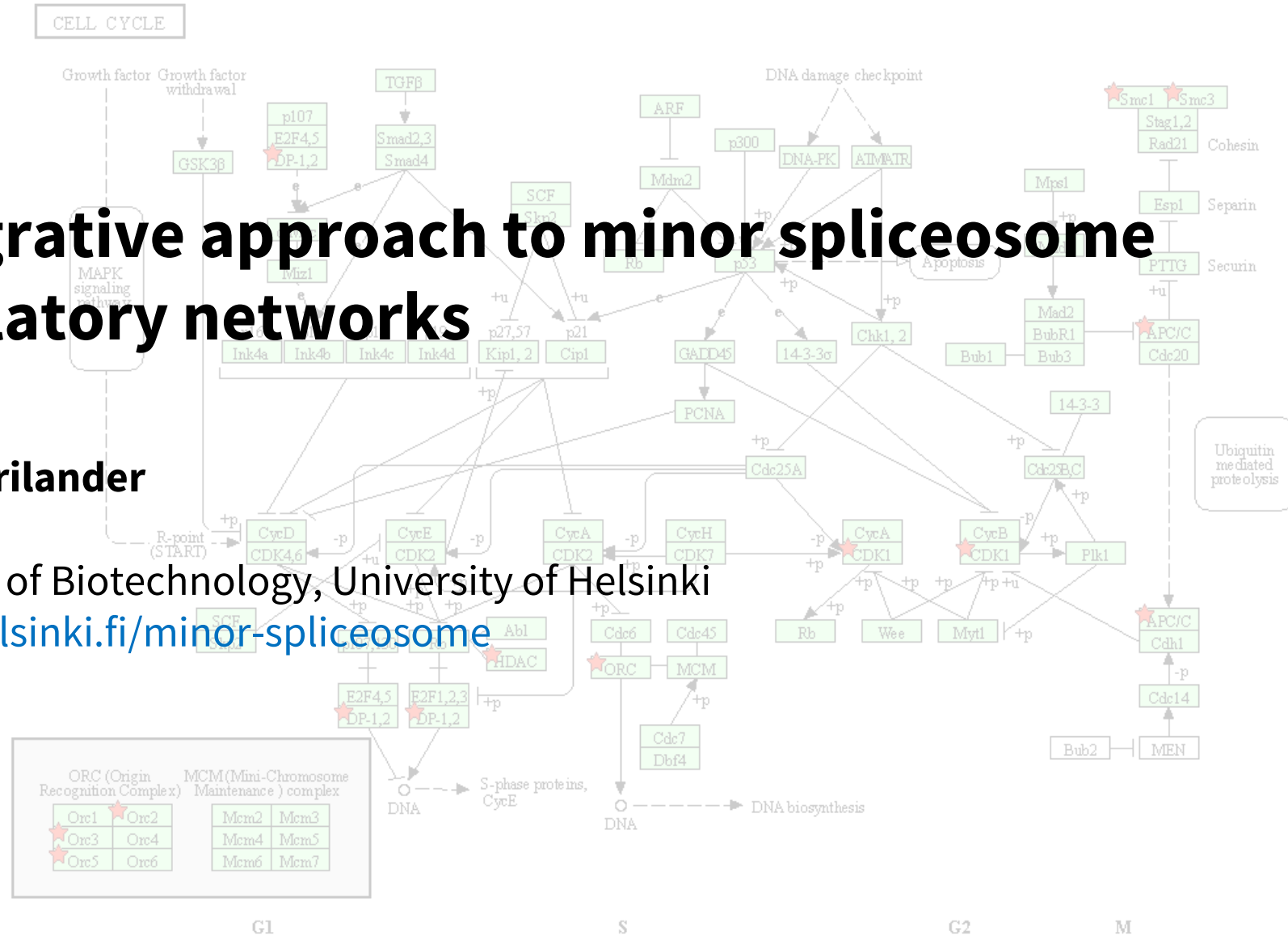
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Integrative approach to minor spliceosome regulatory networks

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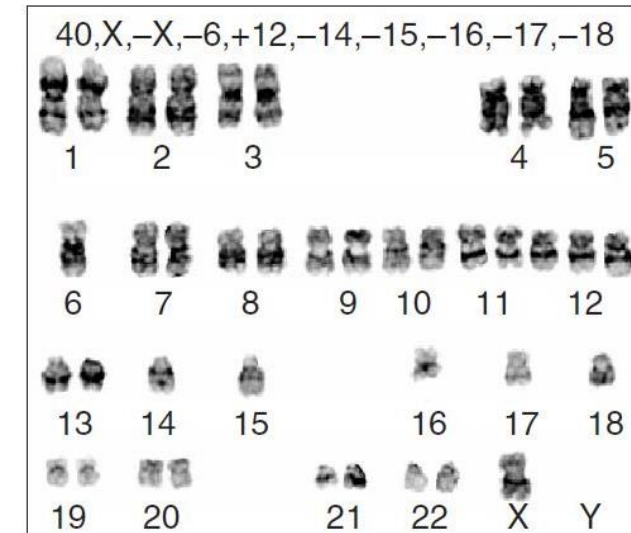
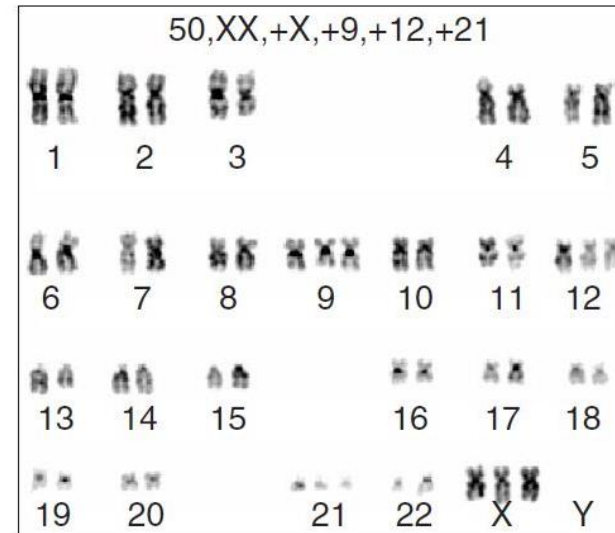
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Mosaic Variegated Aneuploidy (MVA)

- Rare Autosomal recessive disease
- Random loss individual chromosomes during mitosis.
- Microcephaly, pre/post natal growth restriction, global developmental delay and dysmorphic facial features
- Cancer: Wilm's Tumor, Rhabdomyosarcoma and in some case Myelodysplastic syndrome



Normal head size



Microcephaly

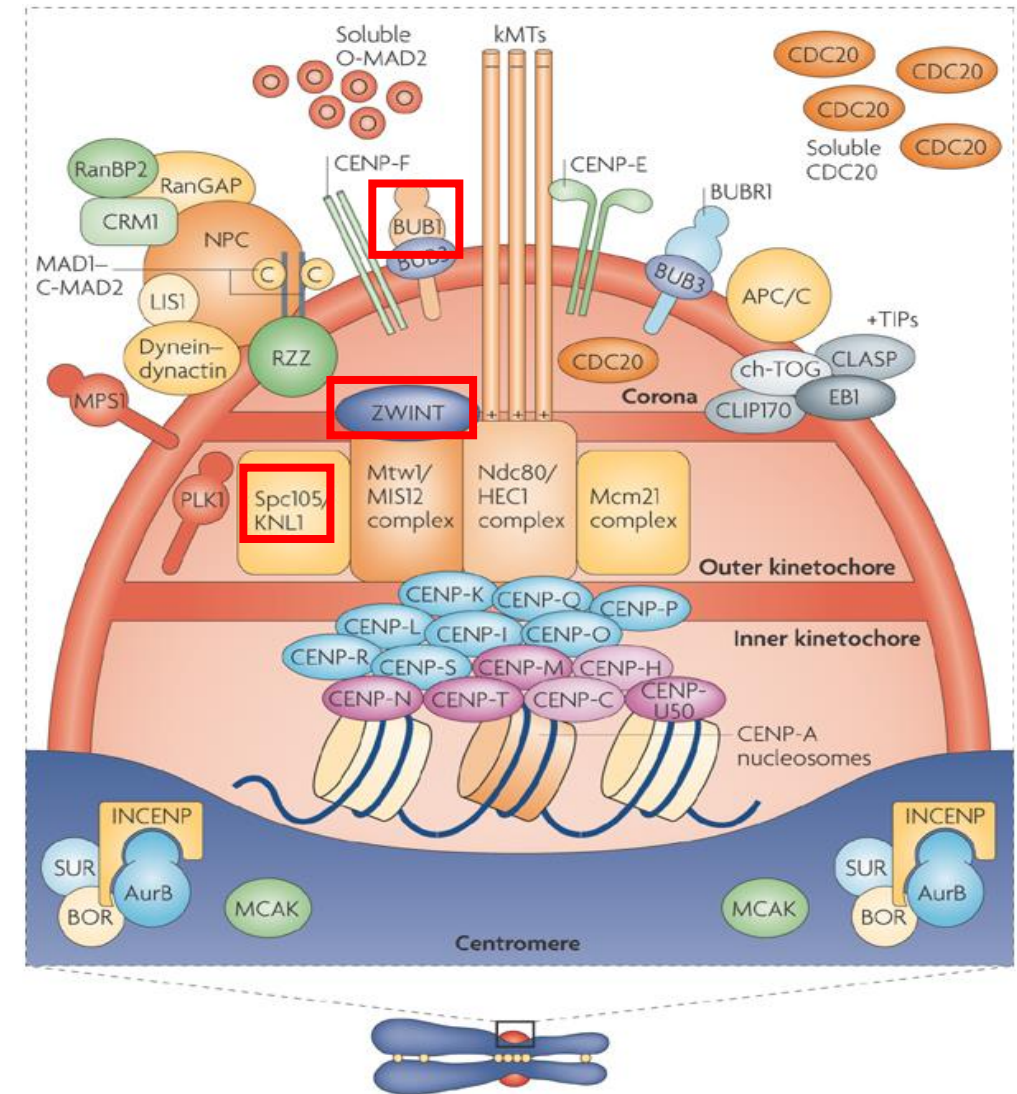


CCDC84/CENATAC: A novel disease gene causing MVA

Most MVA genes are part of Kinetochore or involved in accurate chromosomal segregation.

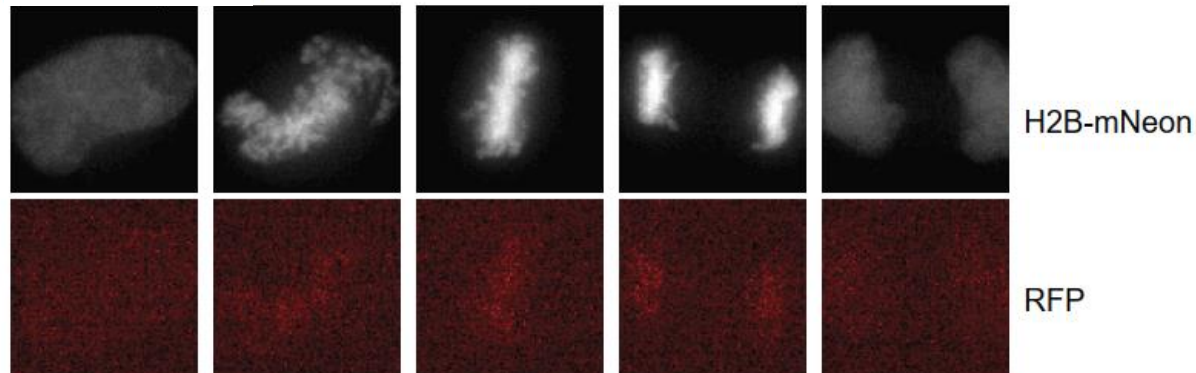
Mutated gene	# patients	Aneuploidy
<i>BUB1B</i>	21	9-83%
<i>CEP57</i>	5	15-32%
<i>TRIP13</i>	7	10-46%
<i>KNL1</i>	4	9-13%
<i>ZWINT</i>	2	92%
<i>CCDC84</i>	2	8%

Hanks et al. *Nature Genetics*, 2004
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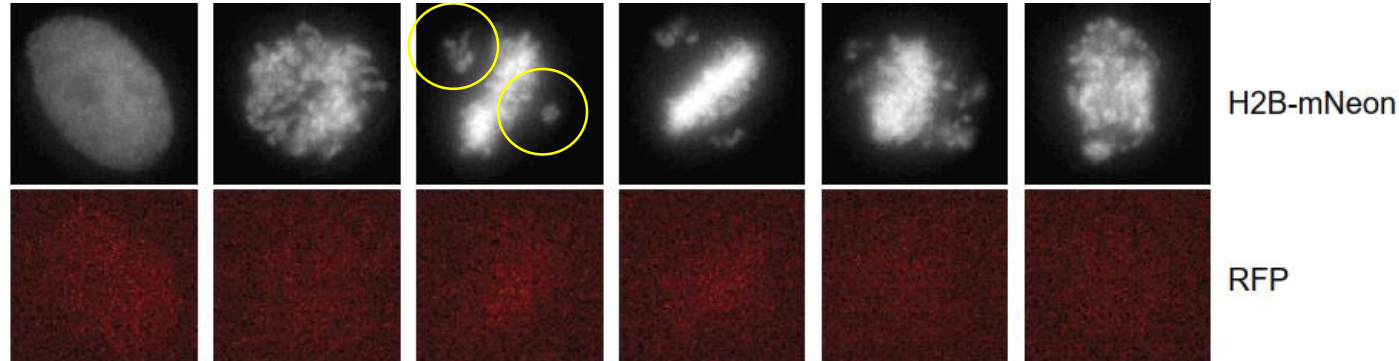
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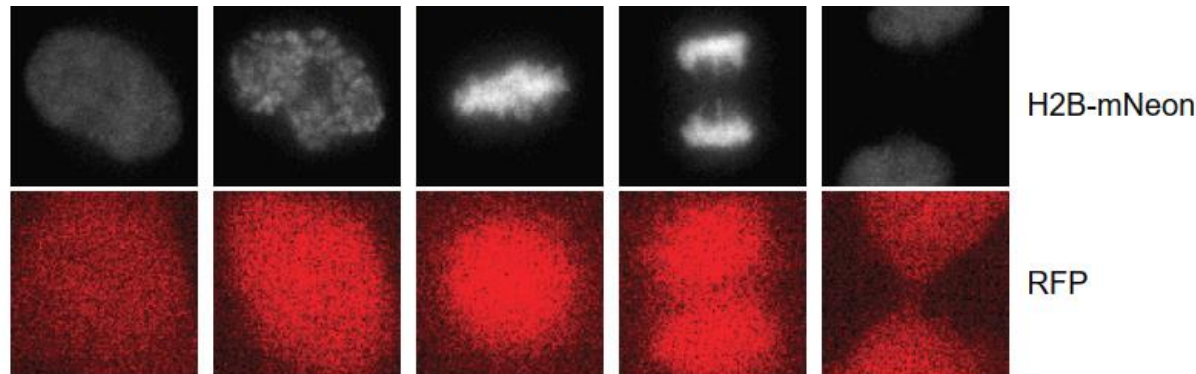
CCDC84/CENATAC loss leads to chromosome segregation defects

CENATAC depletion



- Chromosome congression defects
- Mitotic delay

Rescue w/ wt CENATAC expression

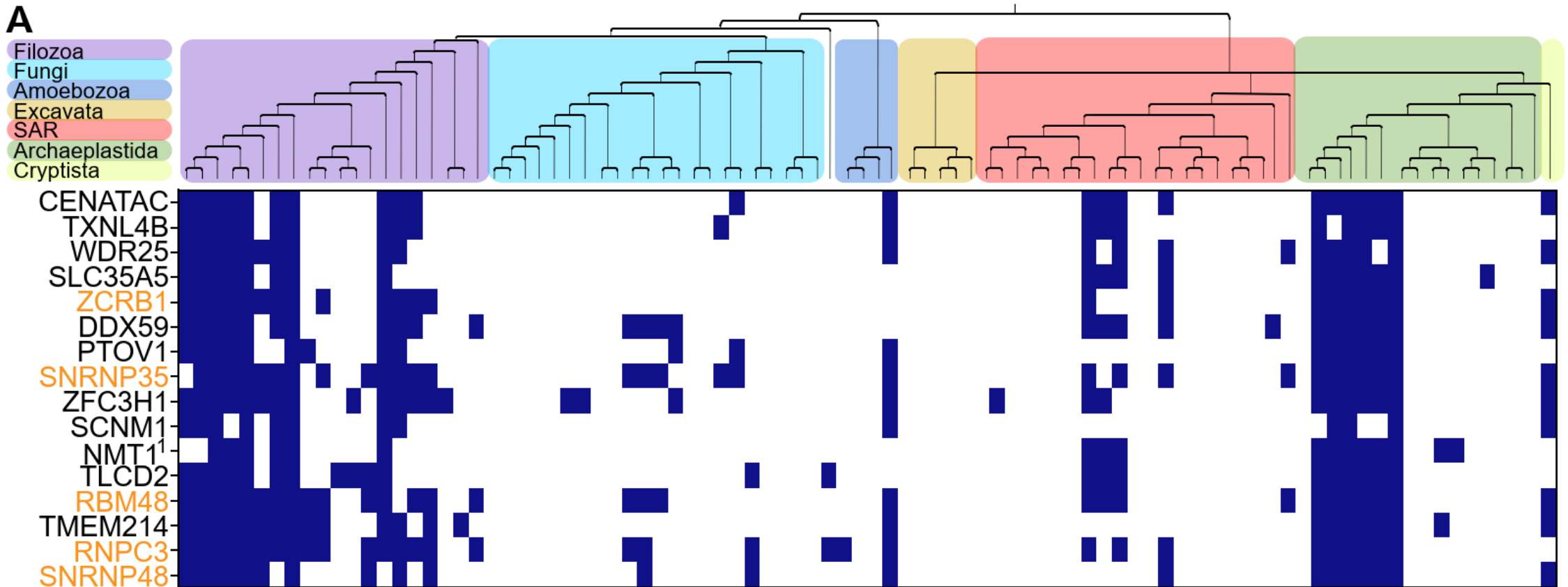


- CCDC84 = coiled-coil containing 84
- Function unknown
 - Nuclear but also centrosome localisation

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CCDC84/CENATAC is linked to U12-type spliceosome ('minor spliceosome')

Evolutionary co-occurrence analysis:

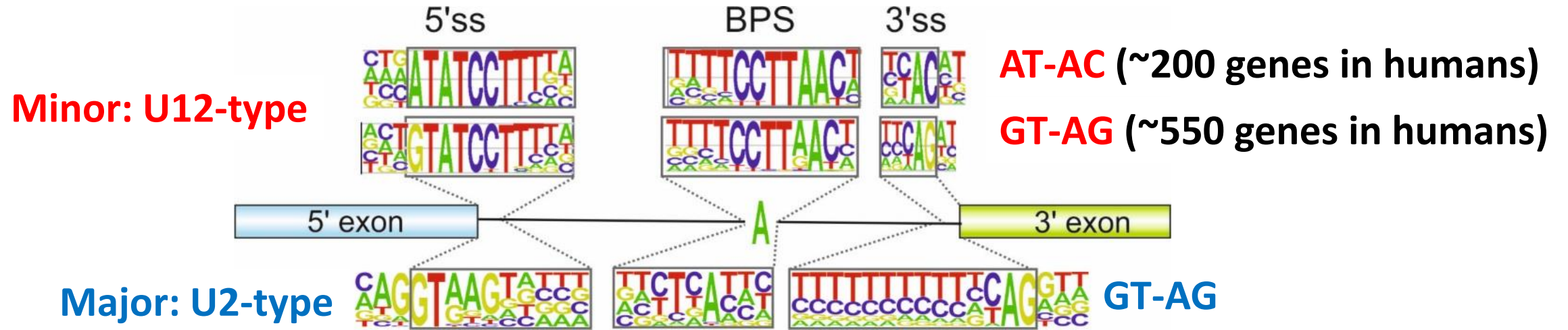


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GO cellular component complete	Hits	Fold Enrichment	FDR
U12-type spliceosomal complex	5/26	89.73	1.16E-05
Nucleoplasm	20/3994	2.34	2.51E-02
U2-type spliceosomal complex	0/94	-	1.00E00

de Wolf, B., et al. (2020). "Chromosomal instability by mutations in a novel specificity factor of the minor spliceosome." BioRxiv. DOI:2020.2008.2006.239418.

Major and minor introns



Major introns - U2-type

- ~250 000 in human genome
- "GT-AG rule" for intron termini
- Otherwise low splice site conservation
- On average ~10 introns/gene [min 0, max 363]

Minor introns - U12-type

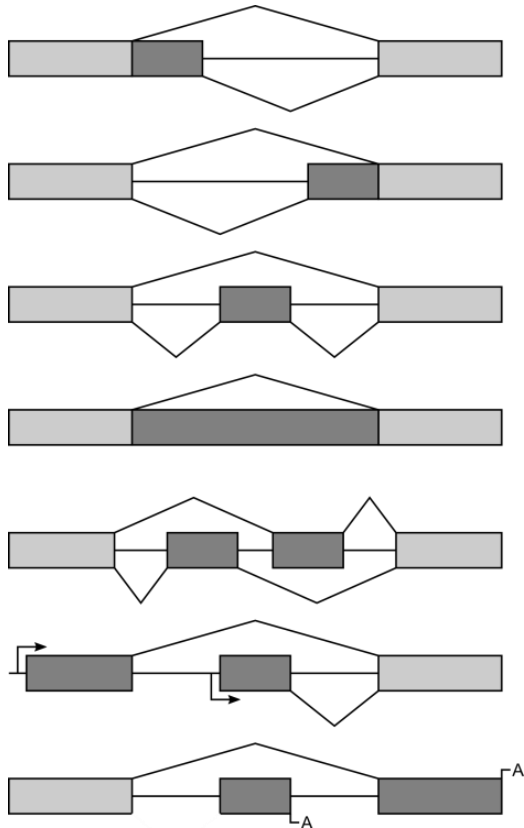
- Rare, 700–800 in the human genome
- Splice sites (5'ss and BPS) are highly conserved
- GT-AG or AT-AC termini
- **Typically one intron/gene**
- **Positions evolutionary conserved**

A major functional difference between the spliceosomes

Major spliceosome

Alternative splicing

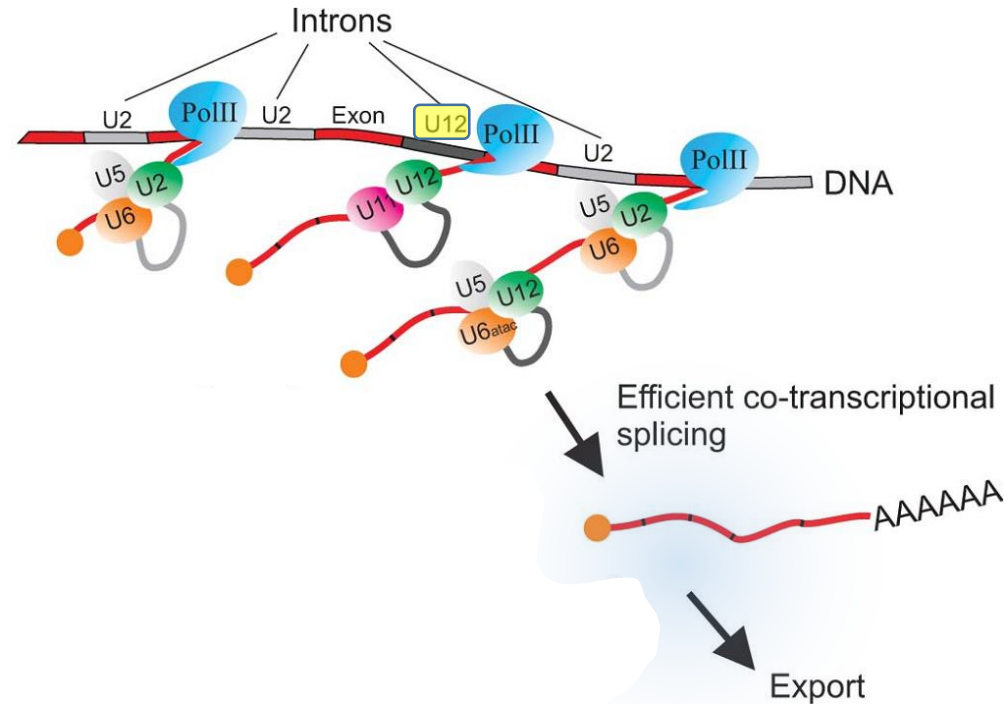
- Proteome diversification



Minor spliceosome

Inefficient splicing

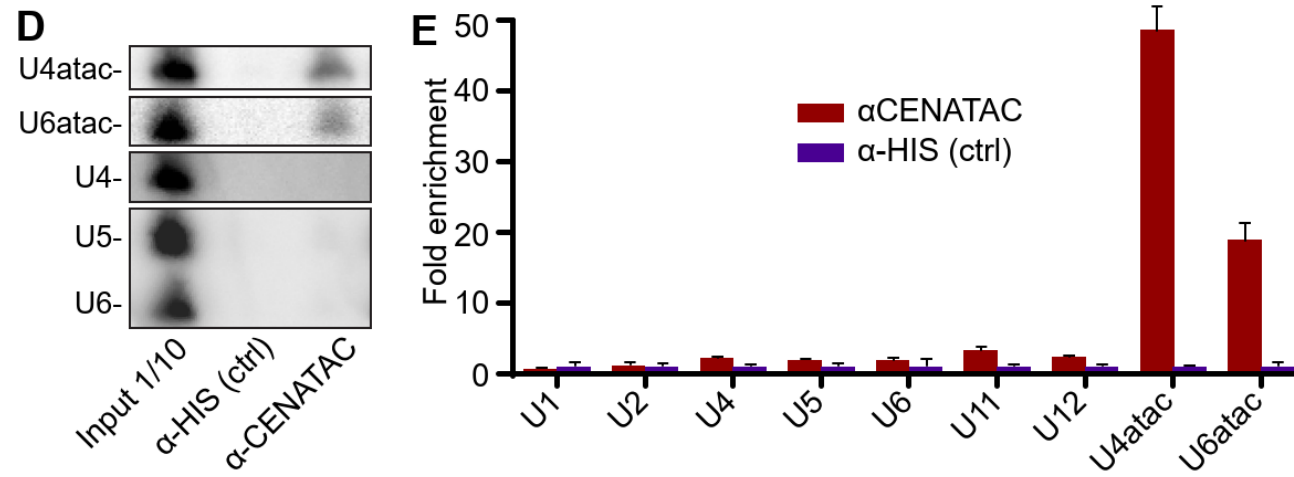
- mRNA level regulation



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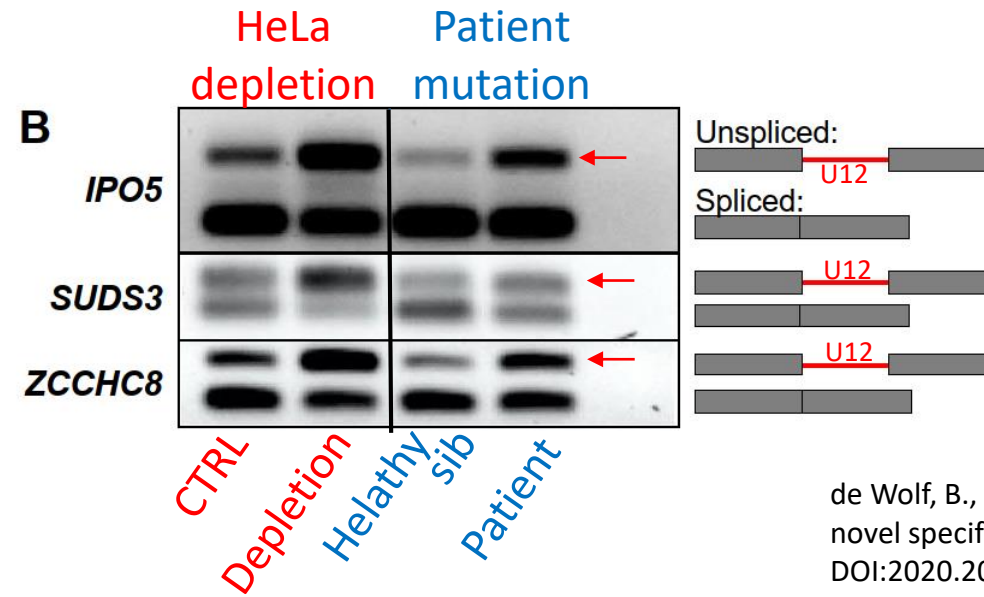
Is CCDC84/CENATAC a (novel) component of minor spliceosome?

IP → Northern blot:
YES



Does loss of CCDC84/CENATAC cause a splicing defect?

RT-PCR:
YES

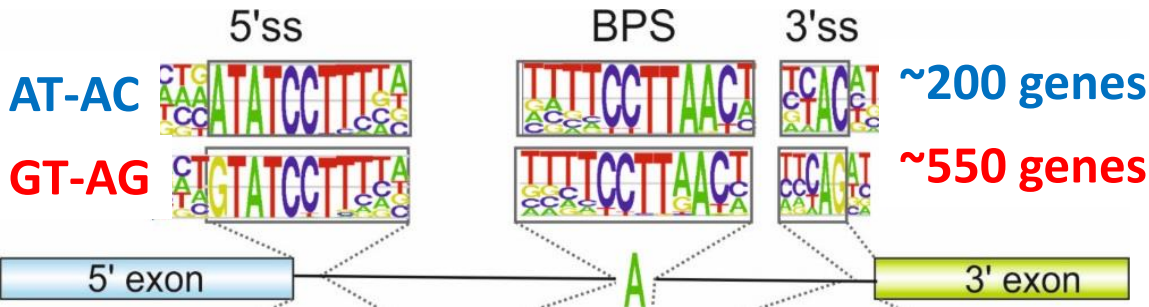
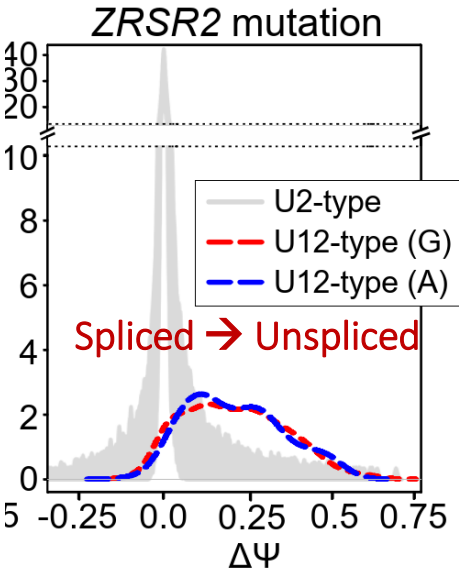


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RNAseq analysis: CCDC84/CENATAC is a novel specificity factor

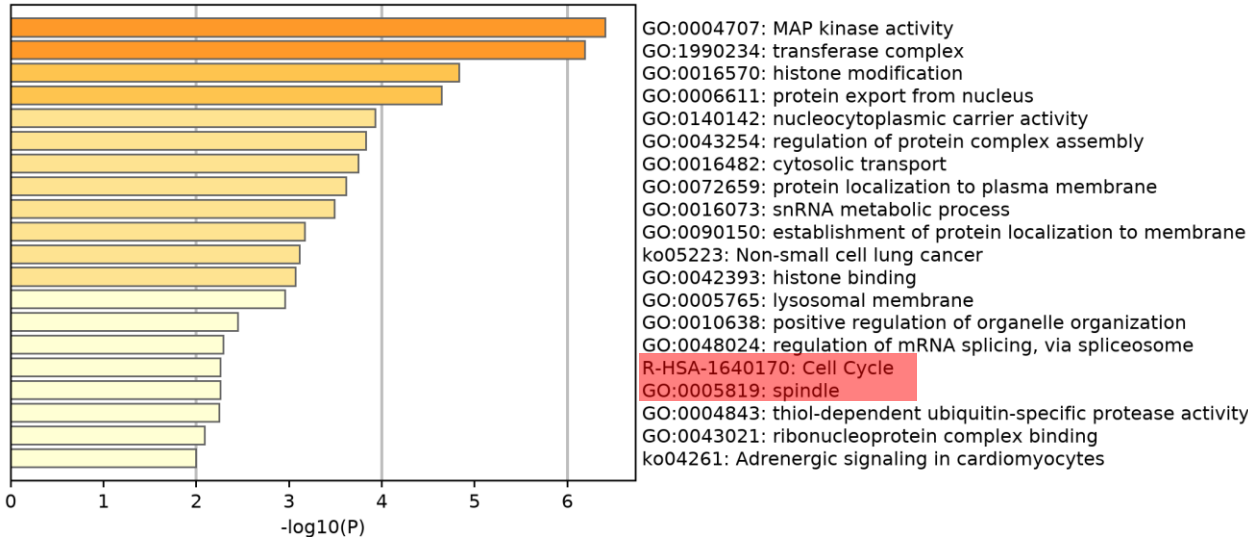
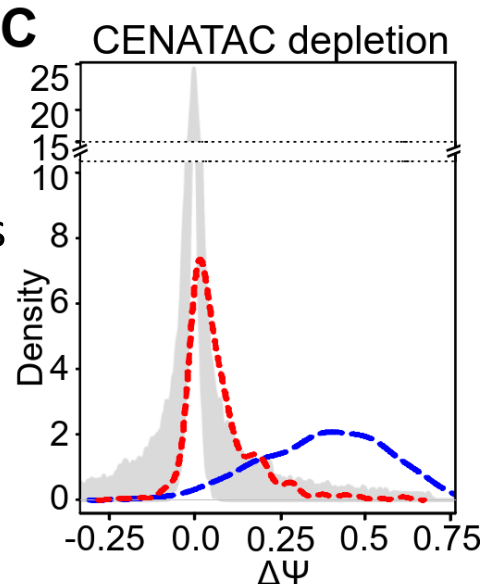
“Normal” minor spliceosome disease:
Myelodysplastic syndrome

Affects equally
AT-AC and GT-AG introns



CENATAC depletion

Specificity for AT-AC introns
→ separate regulation
via CENATAC?



Summary of CCDC84/CENATAC present data

CENATAC = CENtrosomal AT-AC splicing factor

First splicing factor that differentiates between AT-AC and GT-AG introns

→ Separate regulation?

→ Subnetworks: genes related to cell cycle regulation?

Post-translational modifications

→ Regulation?

Aims of the R'Life application

Existing resources

- Deep RNAseq dataset:**
- CENATAC depletion time course
 - MVA patient lymphocytes
 - Additional minor spliceosome diseases
- Edited cell line for Auxin-mediated depletion

Integrate existing CENATAC data with

Proteome analysis (quantitative mass spectrometry)

Interaction partners: protein pulldowns and **BioID analysis:**

To address

Molecular basis of CENATAC-associated MVA

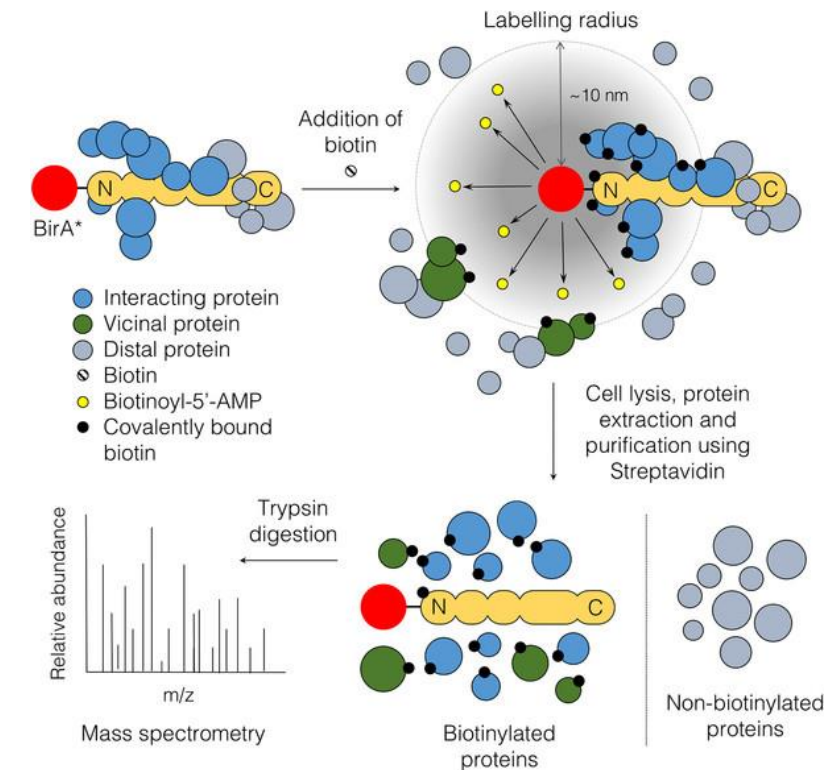
Mechanism of AT-AC intron selectivity

Upstream regulation

Separate regulation for AT-AC and GT-AG introns

The big question

Connection between minor spliceosome and cell cycle regulation



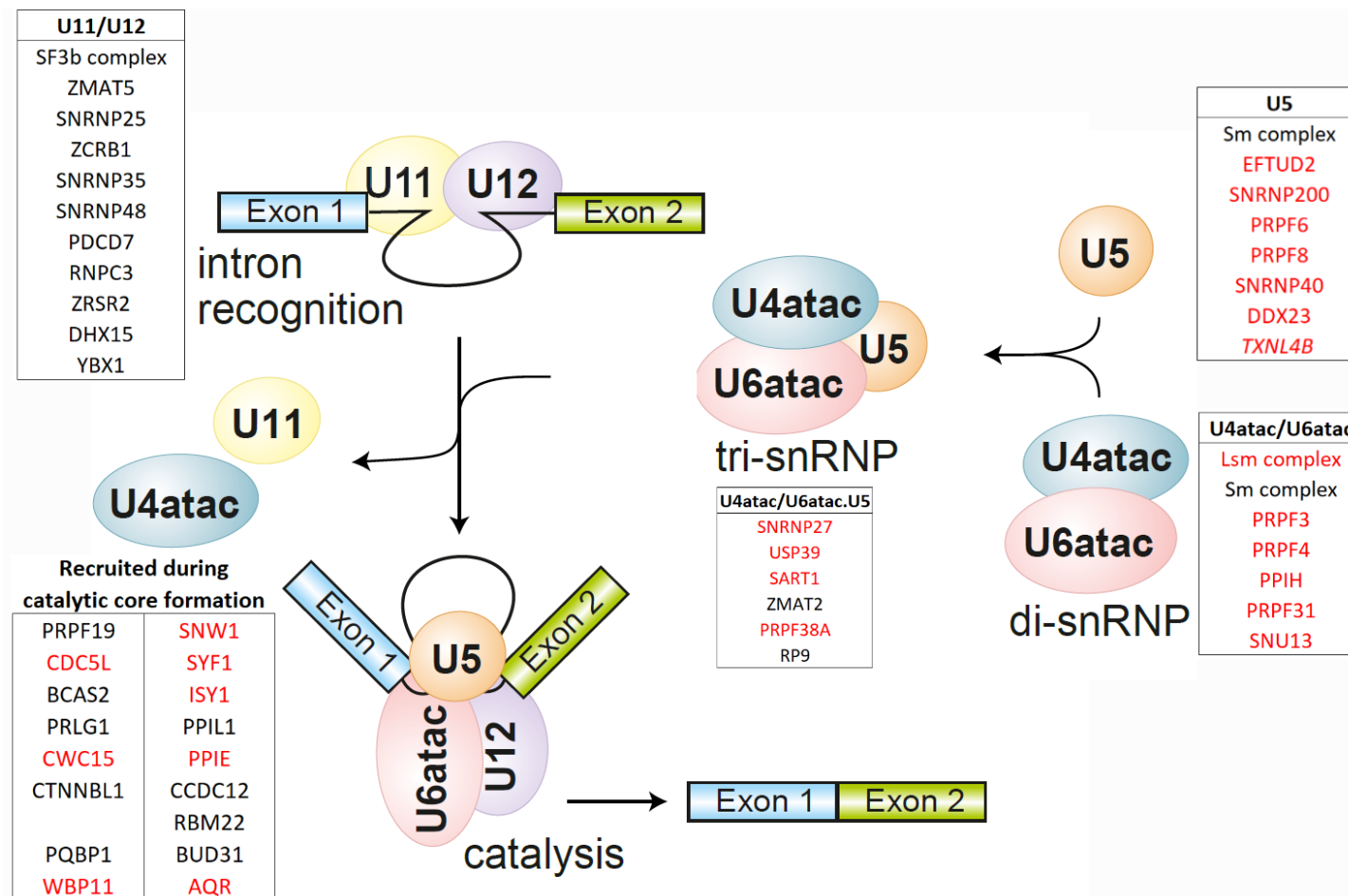
Preliminary CENATAC BioID interactome analysis

No hits in the intron recognition complex!

Catalytic complexes light up heavily

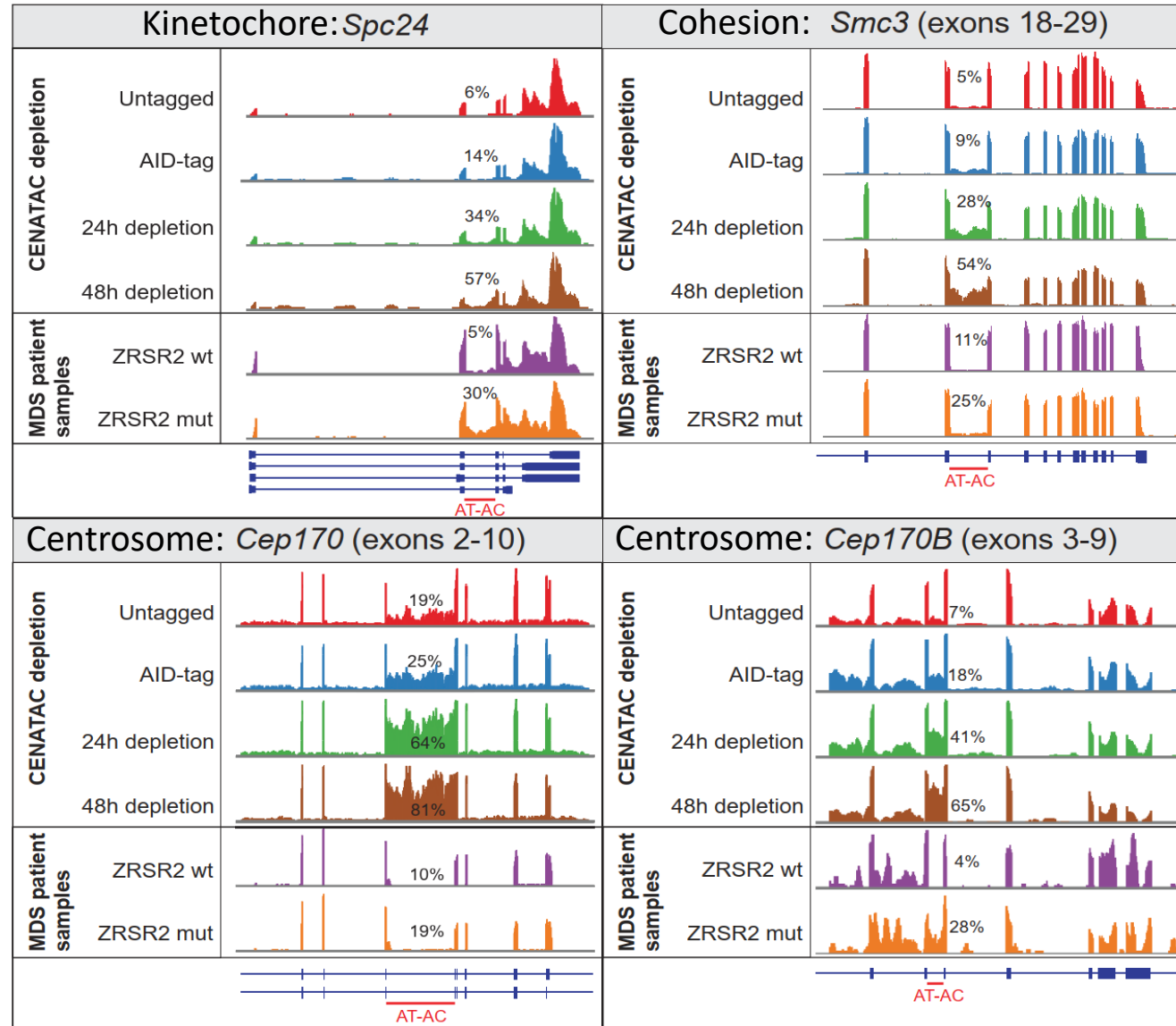
→ Unexpected role of for splice site selection/specificity

→ Proofreading?



Additional proteins: - Post-translational modifiers → Upstream regulators?
 - Centrosomal proteins → Is CENATAC a dual-function protein?

Splicing defect – MVA phenotype data integration



Candidate genes for MVA phenotype

- Kinetochores components
- Cohesion complex
- Centrosomal proteins

Global analysis

RNAseq:

- high level of AT-AC intron retention
- nonfunctional mRNAs

Proteome:

- impact on protein levels?
- secondary/downstream effects

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