

Interaktionen und Modifikation von RNA und Proteinen

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ChIP-seq

Chromatin Immuno-Precipitation followed by **sequencing** is a **next-generation sequencing (NGS)** technology that retrieves genomic positions of protein - DNA interaction.

- ▶ **Transcription factors**

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e.g. estrogen receptor, homeodomain proteins, etc.
- ▶ other protein-based DNA and transcription regulators
e.g. CTCF, nuclear membrane attachment proteins, etc.

- ▶ **Histone modifications**

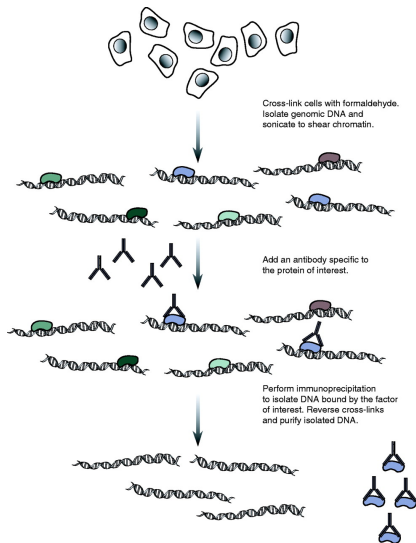
- ▶ modified nucleosomes/histones
e.g. acetylation, methylation, etc. on specific sites of histones such as H3K4me3, H3K27ac, etc.

Different protocols during experiment and data analysis.

ChIP-seq Conceptual Lab Workflow

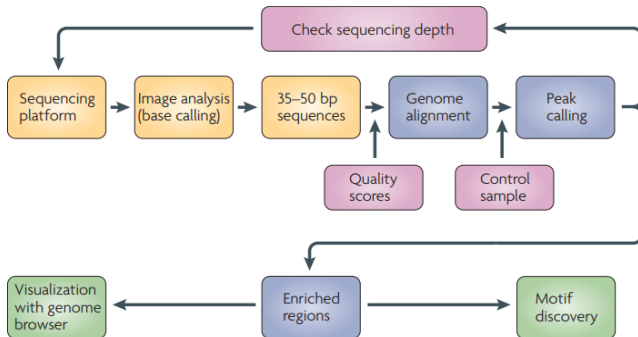
- ▶ ChIPseq (**Ch**romatin **I**mmuno-**P**recipitation followed by **seq**uencing)
- ▶ proteins are cross-linked to DNA in vivo
- ▶ chromatin is isolated
- ▶ sonicate to obtain chromatin/DNA fragments in length range 200-300nt
- ▶ **immunoprecipitate** with specific antibodies for target protein (modification)
- ▶ purify immunocomplexes (remove chromatin fragments not bound by the antibody)
- ▶ reverse cross-linking
- ▶ purify DNA from chromatin fragments
- ▶ **get fragments sequenced**

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ChIP-seq Analysis Workflow

Shown are the steps at which bioinformatics is needed.



ChIP-seq Analysis (general)

- ▶ **Sequencing**
steps shown here are based on sequencing with Illumina
- ▶ **Read mapping**
- ▶ aligning reads against the genome (“genome alignment”)
- ▶ **Peak calling**
calculate read density
compare to/normalize with control/background
commonly ‘input DNA’ or ‘IgG’
derive peaks, i.e. regions significantly enriched in reads
- ▶ compile list of enriched regions
- ▶ **data visualization** e.g. as genome browser track

ChIP-seq Analysis for Transcription Factors (TFs)

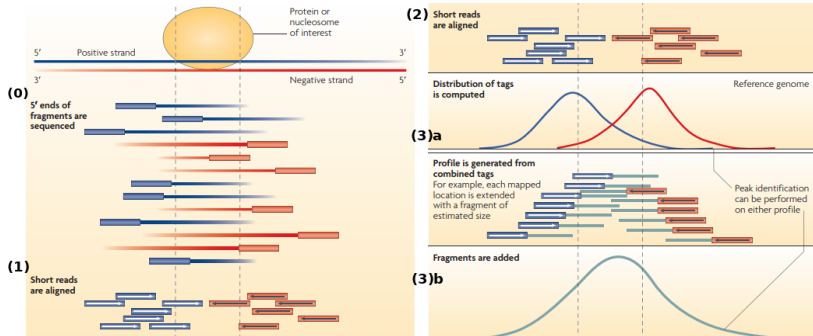


Figure 5 | Strand-specific profiles at enriched sites.

ChIP-seq Analysis for Transcription Factors (TFs)

- (0) a ChIP-seq experiment returns sequence fragments (200-300nt)
 - (1) **Sequencing**: with Illumina 5'-ends (35-50nt) are sequenced → **reads**
 - (2) **read mapping** (alignment of reads to the reference genome)
5'-ends of plus (blue boxes) and minus (red boxes) strands are mapped and read distributions are calculated
 - (3) **peak calling** identification of peaks (against a background)
 - a) the peak on the plus strand and the peak on the minus strand is called → the peaks flank the target binding region
 - b) after conceptual extension of the reads a single peak is called → the peaks covers the target binding region
- ▶ target binding region (100-200nt) vs. target binding site (4-12nt)
 - ▶ apply a **motif discovery** tool to derive the binding motif from the set of binding regions

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