Human immunodeficiency virus-1 induces and targets host genomic R-loops for viral genome integration

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Abstract

Although HIV-1 integration sites are considered to favor active transcription units in the human genome, high-resolution analysis of individual HIV-1 integration sites have shown that the virus can integrate in a variety of host genomic locations, including non-genic regions. The invisible infection by HIV-1 integrating into non-genic regions challenging the traditional understanding of HIV-1 integration site selection are rather more problematic as they are selected to preserve in the host genome during prolonged antiretroviral therapies. Here, we showed that HIV-1 targets R-loops, a genomic structure made up of DNA–RNA hybrids, for integration. HIV-1 initiates the formation of R-loops in both genic and non-genic regions of the host genome and preferentially integrates into R-loop-rich regions. Using a cell model that can independently control transcriptional activity and R-loop formation, we demonstrated that the formation of R-loops directs HIV-1 integration targeting sites. We also found that HIV-1 integrase proteins physically bind to the host genomic R-loops. These findings provide fundamental insights into the mechanisms of retroviral integration and the new strategies of antiretroviral therapy against HIV-1 latent infection.

Introduction

Retroviruses cause permanent infection in the host by integrating their reverse-transcribed viral genome into the host genome. Retroviral integration considerably impacts a wide range of biological phenomena, including the persistence of fatal human diseases and the shaping of metazoan evolution (*1*). Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV)-1 is a representative retrovirus that underlies the global burden of acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS) (*2*). The chromosomal landscape of HIV-1 integration plays a critical role in proviral gene expression, persistence of integrated proviruses, and prognosis of antiretroviral therapy (*3-5*). Integration into the host genome is not random and displays distinct preferences for gene-dense regions, where active transcription occurs (*6*), by interacting host factors such as transcription activators, epigenetic marker binding proteins and super enhancers (*7-13*). However, transcription activity is not the sole determinant of the HIV-1 integration site landscape (*10*). For instance, the most favored region of HIV-1 integration is an intergenic locus, and despite the lower probability of integration, HIV-1 proviruses are observed in non-genic regions in the genomes of infected individuals (*4, 6*). This indicates the possibility of there being an undiscovered mechanism or determinant that composes the correct genomic environment for HIV-1 integration.

An R-loop is a three-stranded nucleic acid structure that comprises a DNA–RNA hybrid and displaced strand of DNA, and has long been considered a transcription byproduct (*14, 15*). R-loops in cellular genomes are enriched in actively transcribed genes as they occur naturally during transcription (*14, 16*), but R-loop formation is not limited to gene body regions and is widespread in the genome (*14*). As a result of *in trans* R-loop formation, R-loops are also abundant in non-genic regions, such as intergenic regions, repetitive sequences,

including transposable elements, centromeres, or telomeres (*14, 17-19*), independently of

transcription activity of the genes harboring the R-loops. Although R-loops are identified as

critical intermediates and regulators in a number of biological processes (*14, 15, 20*), the

dynamics and the role played by cellular R-loops in pathological contexts remain unrevealed.

R-loops are important contributors molding the genomic environment and spatial

organization of the cellular genome, and can potentially take a novel role in host-pathogen

interaction. In the cellular genome, R-loops relieve superhelical stresses and are often

associated with open chromatin marks and active enhancers (*21, 22*), which are also

distributed over HIV-1 integration sites (*6, 9, 10*). In the case of transcription-induced R-loop

formation, a guanine-quadruplex (G4) structure can be generated in the non-template DNA

strand of the R-loop (*23*). A recent study has shown that G4 DNA can influence both

productive and latent HIV-1 integration (*24*). In addition, R-loops are prevalent non-canonical

B-form DNA structures (*25*) and intermediates between B-form DNA and A-form RNA

conformation (*26*), which have recently been disclosed to be the conformational

characteristics of the target DNA during retroviral integration (*26, 27*). The accumulated

evidence implicates that host genomic R-loops are undiscovered host factor in HIV-1

integration site selection mechanism, which dynamically interact with the host genomic

environment.

Here, we showed a notable role of R-loops in the interaction between HIV-1 and its

host, specifically in HIV-1 integration. HIV-1-infection induces host cellular R-loop

formation and the R-loop rich regions of the host genome are preferred by HIV-1 integration.

HIV-1 integrase proteins showed considerable binding affinity to nucleic acid substrate

comprising R-loop structures. Our results suggest that R-loops are an important composer of

host genomic environment for HIV-1 integration site determination.

Results

Host genomic R-loops accumulate by HIV-infection

To investigate the relationship between HIV-1 infection and host cellular R-loops, we

first analyzed R-loop dynamics in different types of cells infected with HIV-1 at early post-

infection time points using DNA–RNA immunoprecipitation followed by cDNA conversion

coupled to high-throughput sequencing (DRIPc-seq) using a DNA–RNA hybrid-specific

binding antibody, anti-S9.6 (28). HeLa cells, primary CD4$^+$ T cells isolated from two

individual donors and CD4$^+$/CD8$^-$ T cell lymphoma Jurkat cell line were infected with VSV-

G-pseudotyped HIV-1-EGFP and harvested at 0, 3, 6, and 12 h post infection (hpi) for

DRIPc-seq library construction (Fig. 1A and S1A-C Fig.). Our DRIPc-seq analysis yielded

loci specific R-loop signals at the referenced R-loop-positive loci (RPL13A and CALM3) and

an R-loop-negative locus (SNRPN) (28) that were both strand-specific and highly sensitive to

pre-immunoprecipitation in vitro RNase H treatment, in HeLa cells, CD4$^+$ and Jurkat T cells

(Table S1-3). Notably, the number of DRIPc-seq peaks mapped to the human reference

genome increased remarkably during early post infection of HIV-1 (3 and 6 hpi for HeLa

cells and 6 and 12 hpi for CD4$^+$ and Jurkat T cells; Fig. 1B). Most of the peaks mapped in

cells harvested at 0 hpi were commonly found in all other samples, but a significant numbers

of unique peaks were observed after infection (Fig. 1C).

In addition to our DRIPc-seq data analysis, we used different biochemical

approaches to examine R-loop accumulation after HIV-1 infection in HeLa cells. First, R-

loop accumulation in HIV-1-infected cells was observed using DNA–RNA hybrid dot blots

with the anti-S9.6 antibodies (Fig. 1D). The dot intensity increased significantly upon HIV-1

infection at 6 hpi and the enhanced R-loop signals on dot blots of HIV-1-infected cells were

highly sensitive to *in vitro* treatment with RNase H (Fig. 1D). This result was highly

consistent with our DRIPc-seq data analysis results in HIV-1-infected HeLa cells.

Subsequently, we observed HIV-1-induced R-loops using an immunofluorescence assay by

probing HIV-1-infected or non-infected control cells with S9.6 antibody at 6 hpi (Fig. 1E,

left). The nuclear fluorescence signal associated with the R-loops after subtracting the

nucleolar signal was significantly enhanced in cells infected with HIV-1 (Fig. 1E, right). We

validated and quantified HIV-1-infection induced R-loop formation on the host genome in a

genome-site specific manner by using DRIP followed by real-time polymerase chain reaction

(DRIP-qPCR). In this experiment, the S9.6 signal was determined for three and two HIV-1-

induced-R-loop-positive (P1, P2, and P3) and -negative regions (N1 and N2), respectively,

where were defined by DRIPc-seq data analysis (S2A-E Fig.). We detected significantly

increased R-loop signals that are highly sensitive to RNase H treatment of pre-

immunoprecipitates in the P1, P2, and P3 regions of HIV-1-infected cells at 6 hpi compared

to those in the cells harvested at 0 hpi (S3A Fig.). However, the HIV-1-induced R-loop-

negative regions, N1 and N2, did not show significant R-loop accumulations (S3A Fig.).

Importantly, the R-loop signal was enriched even in cells infected with HIV-1 when

the reverse transcription or integration of HIV-1 is blocked by enzyme inhibitors like

Nevirapine (NVP) or Raltegravir (RAL), respectively (S3B and S3C Fig.). This result

indicates that the enrichment of R-loop signals in cells are originated from the host genome

but not by DNA-RNA hybrid formation during the viral life cycle or transcriptional burst

from integrated HIV-1 proviruses. In addition, we confirmed that nearly 100% of DRIPc-seq

reads from HIV-1-infected HeLa, CD4$^+$ and Jurkat T cells were aligned to the host cellular

genome, but not on that of HIV-1 (S3D Fig.). Together, these data demonstrate that HIV-1

infection induced host genomic R-loop formation at early post-infection.

R-loops accumulation after HIV-1 infection are widely distributed in both genic and

non-genic regions

To investigate the distribution of cellular genomic R-loops during HIV-1 infection,

we conducted a genome-wide analysis of our DRIPc-seq data. The unique DRIPc-seq peaks

observed after HIV-1 infection were not only numerous but also relative longer (Fig. 2A).

This suggests that R-loops induced by HIV-1 infection occupy a genomic region larger than

that of the R-loops presents without HIV-1 infection. We observed a significant accumulation

of R-loops over diverse genomic compartments at the hpi of HIV-1-infection induced R-loop

formation (Fig. 2B). The presence of R-loops is often correlated with high transcriptional

activity, and we found significantly high proportion of DRIPc-seq peaks enrichment upon

HIV-1 infection in the gene body regions (Fig. 2B). However, we also observed enrichment

of HIV-1-infection induced DRIPc-seq peaks proportion mapped to intergenic or repeat

regions, including short interspersed nuclear elements (SINEs), long interspersed nuclear

elements (LINEs), and long terminal repeat (LTR) retrotransposons, where transcription is

typically repressed (Fig. 2B). Although the expression of repetitive elements is mostly

repressed during normal cellular activities, HIV-1 infection could activate endogenous

retroviral promoters (*29, 30*). To investigate the possibility that R-loop induction in gene-

silent regions is associated with transcriptome changes during HIV-1 infection, we performed

RNA sequencing (RNA-seq) for HIV-1-infected HeLa cells at 0, 3, 6, and 12 hpi. Consistent

with previous reports, we observed an increase in the expression levels of repetitive elements

at later time points post-infection (S4A Fig.; 12 hpi). In contrast, we found that the expression

levels of SINEs, LINEs, and LTRs were even lower at both 3 and 6 hpi compared to 0 hpi

while HIV-1-induced R-loops were significantly accumulated, compared to 0 hpi (S4A Fig.).

We further examined the expression profile of genes containing R-loop in HeLa cells. The

expression profile of genes harboring HIV-1-induced R-loops in their gene bodies showed

very weak correlations with the signals of DRIPc-seq peaks at 3 hpi (Pearson's r = 0.21, P =

1.08×10^{-84}; Fig. 2C) and at 6 hpi samples (Pearson's r = -0.34, P = 2.40×10^{-228}; Fig. 2C),

which implies that the unique R-loop peaks upon HIV-1 infection do not engage with

transcriptional burst. In agreement with our DRIPc-seq and global RNA-seq data analysis, the

expression level of the genes harboring HIV-1-infection induced R-loops, which were

quantified by DRIP-qPCR (S3A Fig.), were not significantly affected by HIV-1 infection

(S4B Fig. and Table S4). Together, our data demonstrate that host cellular R-loop

accumulation upon HIV-1 infection are widely distributed in both genic and non-genic

regions and are not necessarily correlate with the expression levels of the genes harboring the

R-loops.

HIV-1 integration sites are enriched at systemically induced sequence-specific R-loop regions in cell model

HIV-1 completes its infection by integrating its viral genome into the host's through dynamic interaction with the host genome (*31*). Besides, as HIV-1 infection induced R-loop accumulation at early post infection hours when HIV-1 genome are imported into nucleus and integration may initiate (*32-34*), we hypothesized that host genomic R-loops play a role in HIV-1 integration, and possibly in integration site selection. To systemically and directly assess the relationship between host genomic R-loops and HIV-1 integration in a genome-site-specific manner, we adapted and modified an elegantly designed episomal system that induces sequence specific R-loops through DOX-inducible promoters (*16*). To most closely mimic the presence R-loop in host cellular genome, we subcloned the R-loop-forming portion of the mouse gene encoding AIRN (mAIRN) (*17*) or non-R-loop-forming ECFP sequence with a DOX-inducible promoter into the piggyBac transposon vector and co-expressed the piggyBac transposase in HeLa cells. These R-loop forming (mAIRN) or non-R-loop forming sequence (ECFP) are non-human sequences. Therefore, our cell model allows us to induce and quantify R-loop formation at designated genomic region and distinguish the R-loop formation from the endogenous R-loops on the cellular genome, which are not sequence-specific and impossible to control for induction. Moreover, by using this system we can quantify R-loop-dependent site-specific HIV-1 integration events at the designated regions, which can also be distinguished from HIV-1 integration event at endogenous host genomic loci. We designated the pool of cells with the R-loop forming sequence (mAIRN) inserted into its genome as "pgR-rich (piggyBac R-loop rich)" cell line and the pool of cells with the non-R-loop forming sequence (ECFP) inserted into its genome as "pgR-poor (piggyBac R-loop poor)" cell line (Fig. 3A).

A similar number of the copies of piggyBac transposon was successfully delivered to

the genome of each cell line (S5A Fig.), and DOX treatment strongly induced the

transcriptional activity of mAIRN or ECFP without affecting the transcription of endogenous

loci in both cell lines (S5B and S5C Fig.). Although the transcription of mAIRN or ECFP was

strongly induced upon DOX treatment, the activity did not exceed that of endogenous loci in

both cell lines (S5D and S5E Fig.). While two cell lines showed comparable level of DOX-

inducible transcription activity at the designated sequences (Fig. 3B), only pgR-rich cells

exhibited robust RNase H-sensitive stable R-loop formation upon DOX treatment (Fig. 3C,

mAIRN). By contrast, R-loops were weakly formed in the pgR-poor cells where non-R-loop

forming sequence (ECFP) inserted into its genome (Fig. 3C, ECFP).

To examine whether the formation of 'extra' R-loops in the host genome influence

HIV-1-infection to the host cells, we infected both cell lines with VSV-G-pseudotyped HIV-

1-luciferase viruses and examined the luciferase activity. Interestingly, we found that pgR-

rich cells showed significantly high luciferase activity only when R-loops were induced by

DOX treatment, whereas pgR-poor cells showed comparable luciferase activity regardless of

transcription activation by DOX treatment (Fig. 3D). We conducted HIV-1 integration site

sequencing in HIV-1-infected pgR-poor and pgR-rich cells to directly quantify site-specific

integration events at sequence-specific R-loop regions. Remarkably, integration events were

significantly higher in pgR-rich cells only when R-loops were induced by DOX treatment

(Fig. 3E). However, HIV-1 integration frequency within non-R-loop forming sequence in

pgR-poor cells remained very low, even with transcription activation by DOX treatment (Fig.

3E). HIV-1 integration frequency was enriched at the vicinity of R-loop forming regions in

pgR-rich cell line upon DOX treatment, but the enrichment was not observed in pgR-poor

cells that does not form stable R-loops even after transcription activation by DOX treatment

(Figs. 3F and 3G). This cell-based R-loop inducing system with independent control over

transcription and R-loop formation enabled the direct measurement of HIV-1 integration

events at the defined R-loop regions, and the results indicate that host genomic R-loops are

targeted by HIV-1 integration. Moreover, our data suggest that transcription activity itself is

not sufficient for HIV-1 integration site determination, but the formation of R-loops accounts

for HIV-1 integration site selection.

Host genomic R-loops are targeted by HIV-1 integration

We attempted to further validate the relationship between R-loops and the HIV-1

integration site selection by global analysis of HIV-1 integration sites on endogenous

genomic regions of HIV-1 infected host cells. We performed HIV-1 integration site

sequencing in HIV-1 infected HeLa cells, CD4[+] and Jurkat T cells and analyzed the

sequencing data combined with our DRIPc-seq data. We counted and compared the number

of successfully integrated proviruses in the R-loop regions (the combined genomic regions

within 30-kb windows centered on DRIPc-seq peaks from 0, 3, 6, and 12 hpi) to those in non-

R-loop forming regions (the total genomic regions outside of the 30-kb windows centered on

DRIPc-seq peaks). Notably, we found that approximately three to four times more integration

were detected in the R-loop regions as in other genomic regions without R-loops in HeLa

cells, CD4[+] and Jurkat T cells (Fig. 4A). Interestingly, the HIV-1 integration sites preferred

the center and nearby areas of the R-loops regions (Fig. 4B). We observed biases for HIV-1

integration in HIV-1-induced R-loop-positive regions, P2 and P3, where gave highly induced

R-loop signal upon HIV-1 infection in DRIPc-seq analysis and DRIP-qPCR (Fig. 4C). By

contrast, HIV-1 integration sites were not detected in R-loop-negative regions, N1 and N2

(Fig. 4D). Overall, our results from bioinformatics analysis using different types of naïve host

cells infected with HIV-1 are consistent with the idea that the virus has a preference for

targeting R-loops for integration (Fig. 3), and our data suggest R-loops as an important

composer of host genomic environment for HIV-1 integration site determination.

HIV-1 integrase physically interacts with R-loops on the host genome

247   HIV-1 intasome tether to the host genome for its viral cDNA integration. Intasomes

consist of HIV-1 viral cDNA and HIV-1 coding protein, integrases. We observed that HIV-1

preferentially integrated into R-loops on the host genome, thus we hypothesized that the HIV-

1 integrase protein could directly bind and be recruited to the genomic R-loops. To test this

hypothesis, we first investigated whether HIV-1 integrase proteins have physical binding

affinity to nucleic acid substrates possessing R-loop structure. Although HIV-1 integrases are

DNA and RNA binding proteins (*35, 36*), its binding ability towards such three-stranded

nucleic acid structure that is composed with a DNA-RNA hybrid like R-loop has not been

investigated. We carried *in vitro* protein-nucleic acid binding assay by electrophoretic

mobility shift assay (EMSA) with Sso7d-tagged HIV-1 integrase recombinant proteins and

diverse structures of nucleic acid substrates including R-loop and simple dsDNA duplex.

Interestingly, nucleic acid substrate consisted with R-loop structure bound to HIV-1 integrase

proteins with greater binding affinity than simple dsDNA duplex (Fig. 5A). Additionally, R-

loop composing forms of nucleic acid structures such as RNA-DNA hybrid with exposed

ssDNA (R:D+ssDNA) and RNA-DNA hybrid (hybrid) also hosed high binding affinity to

integrases (S6A Fig. and Fig. 5A).

263   We validated the interaction between cellular genomic R-loops and HIV-1 integrase

proteins by DNA–RNA hybrid immunoprecipitation using S9.6 antibodies in FLAG-tagged

HIV-1 integrase-expressing HeLa cells (Fig. 5B). Under our experimental conditions, R-loops

were reproducibly immunoprecipitated (S6B Fig.) and HIV-1 integrase proteins co-

immunoprecipitated with R-loops (Fig. 5C). DNA–RNA hybrids also co-immunoprecipitated

with the positive control H3 (*37*) but not with the negative control LaminA/C and Actin (*37*)

(Fig. 5C). To verify the specificity of our co-immunoprecipitation results for R-loops and

HIV-1 integrases, we performed DNA–RNA hybrid immunoprecipitation with RNase H

treatment (S6C Fig.). The S9.6 signal of immunoprecipitated nucleic acids was highly

sensitive to RNase H treatment of pre-immunoprecipitates (Fig. 5D). Accordingly, the

blotting signal of the co-immunoprecipitated HIV-1 integrase and H3 proteins was

significantly reduced upon RNase H treatment (Fig. 5E). We performed reciprocal

immunoprecipitation using an anti-FLAG monoclonal antibody and detected

immunoprecipitated R-loops using dot blot analysis with anti-S9.6. R-loops were

immunoprecipitated by HIV-1 integrase, and the S9.6 signal of immunoprecipitated nucleic

acids was highly sensitive to RNase H treatment (Fig. 5F and S6D Fig.). Subsequently, we

attempted to observe the interaction between the R-loops and HIV-1 integrase using a

proximity-ligation assay (PLA), in HIV-1-infected cells. We used two antibodies: one that

binds to R-loops (anti-S9.6) and another one that binds to GFP-tagged HIV-1 integrase. We

detected PLA signals in cells infected with HIV-IN-EGFP virions and in non-infected control

cells. PLA signals in non-infected cells were comparable to those in S9.6-alone and GFP-

alone single antibody-negative controls; however, PLA signals significantly increased upon

HIV-1 infection (Fig. 5G and S6E Fig.). Our data suggest that the HIV-1 frequently targets R-

loop-rich regions for viral genome integration by physical binding of HIV-1 integrase

proteins to R-loop structures on the host genome.

Discussion

In this study, we found that HIV-1 preferentially integrates into regions rich in R-loops, suggesting that R-loops are a novel host factor governing HIV-1 integration site selection. In our bioinformatics analysis, host cellular R-loops were induced by HIV-1 infection and widespread over host genomic regions. Using our R-loop-inducible cell models, R-loop formation, not necessarily transcription activity itself, was found to be important for HIV-1 integration site determination. In addition, HIV-1 integrase proteins favored physical binding with R-loops *in vitro*, and they interacted with host genomic R-loops in HIV-1-infected cells. These results demonstrated that HIV-1 exploits and frequently targets the host genomic R-loops for successful integration and infection.

Our data show that HIV-1 targets host genomic R-loops for viral genome integration and its integrase proteins physically interact with genomic R-loops *in vitro* and in cells. This may because the R-loops own an unique nucleic acid conformation of B-form DNA and A-form RNA intermediates, which possess intrinsic preferential binding ability to retroviral intasome (*25-27*). Another possible explanation for why HIV-1 integration shows a preference towards host genomic R-loops is that R-loops perhaps take a collaborative role with host factors governing the HIV-1 integration site selection. Cellular R-loops are recognized and regulated by numerous cellular proteins (*37, 38*). Besides, the correct genomic environment for HIV-1 integration site selection are composed by host proteins (*9*). LEDGF/p75 (*9, 13, 39*) and CPSF6 (*7, 9*) are two decisive host factors that direct HIV-1 integration by interacting with integrase or trafficking viral preintegration complex towards nuclear interior (*7, 9*). In fact, these host factors have recently been identified as potential R-loop binding proteins in DNA–RNA interactome analysis (*37*) and R-loop proximity proteomics (*38*), respectively. R-loops are tightly regulated by DNA damage response

proteins (*40*) and DNA repair machineries take important roles in HIV-1 integration process

(*31*). For example, the Fanconi anemia pathway (*41, 42*), a well-known R-loop regulatory

pathway, has been recently proposed as an HIV-1 integration regulatory factor exploited by

HIV-1 (*43*). Taking into account theses previous studies alongside our current findings, we

propose R-loops as another pivotal host factor driving HIV-1 integration site determination

and as a possible intermediate regulator of HIV-1 integration site selection by such host

proteins.

Viruses often take advantage of various host factors, and targeting viral components

that manipulate the host cellular environment can be an effective strategy for antiviral

therapy. Our study has shown that host genomic R-loops accumulate significantly shortly

after HIV-1 infection. Thus, it is possible that virion-associated HIV-1 proteins are

responsible for inducing these R-loops. For instance, the HIV-1 accessory protein Vpr causes

genomic damage (*44*) and transcriptomic changes during the early stages post infection(*45*),

both of which can lead to *in cis* and *in trans* R-loop formation (*15*). Another HIV-1 accessory

protein, Vif, counteracts the host antiviral factor, APOBEC3 (*46, 47*), which were recently

found to regulates cellular R-loop levels (*48*). Identifying the HIV-1 components responsible

for inducing host cellular R-loops, and elucidating the mechanism by which they induce

genome-wide R-loop formation and contribute to successful viral integration into selective

genomic regions, represents an area for further research.

Although most HIV-1 integration occurs in genic regions (*4, 6*), HIV-1 proviruses are

also found in non-genic regions (*49*) and understanding these "transcriptionally silent"

proviruses is critical for developing strategies to completely eliminate HIV-1. In HIV-1 elite

controllers, who suppress viral gene expression to undetectable levels, HIV-1 proviruses

accumulate in heterochromatic regions (*5*). Moreover, proviruses with lower expression level

can persist in the host genome even during antiretroviral therapy (*4*). However, the

mechanism by which HIV-1 targets gene-silent regions for "invisible" integration remains

unclear. Our study has revealed that R-loops are enriched in both genic and non-genic regions

during HIV-1 infection, and that the virus preferentially targets these R-loops for integration.

We propose that R-loops, particularly those enriched in non-genic regions, may represent the

mechanism by which the virus achieves "invisible" and permanent infection.

Materials and methods

Cell culture

347   HeLa and HEK293T cells were cultured in Dulbecco's modified Eagle's medium (Gibco)

348   supplemented with 10% (v/v) fetal bovine serum (FBS, Cytiva), antibiotic mixture (100

349   units/ml penicillin–streptomycin, Gibco), and 1% (v/v) GlutaMAX-I (Gibco). Jurkat cells

350   were cultured in Roswell Park Memorial Institute (RPMI) 1640 medium (ATCC)

351   supplemented with 10% (v/v) FBS (Cytiva). Cells were incubated at 37°C and 5% CO_2.

Virus production and infection

VSV-G-pseudotyped HIV-1 virus stocks were prepared by performing standard

polyethylenimine-mediated transfection of HEK293T monolayers with pNL4-3 ΔEnv EGFP

(NIH AIDS Reagent Program 11100) or pNL4-3. Luc.R-E (NIH AIDS Reagent Program,

3418) along with pVSV-G at a ratio of 5:1. HIV-IN-EGFP virions were produced by

performing polyethylenimine-mediated transfection of HEK293T cells with 6 μg of pVpr-IN-

EGFP, 6 μg of HIV-1 NL4-3 non-infectious molecular clone (pD64E; NIH AIDS Reagent

Program 10180), and 1 μg of pVSV-G. The cells were incubated for 4 h before the medium

was replaced with fresh complete medium. Virion-containing supernatants were collected

after 48 h, filtered through a 0.45-μm syringe filter, and pelleted using the Lenti-X

Concentrator (631232; Clontech) according to the manufacturer's instructions. The

multiplicity of infection (MOI) of virus stocks was determined by transducing a known

number of HeLa cells with a known amount of virus particles and then counting GFP-positive

cells using flow cytometry. For luciferase reporter HIV-1 virus, the HIV-1 p24 antigen

content in viral stock were quantified using the HIV1 p24 ELISA kit (Abcam, ab218268),

according to the manufacturer's instruction. For virus infection, HeLa cells were seeded at a

density of $0.5–4 \times 10^5$ cells/mL on the day before infection. The culture medium was

replaced with fresh complete culture medium 2 hpi. The infected cells were washed twice

with PBS and harvested at the indicated time points. Jurkat cells were seeded at a density of

1×10^6 cells/mL and inoculated with 300ng/p24 capsid antigen. The plates were centrifuged

at 1000 g at 30°C for 1 h. The medium was replaced with fresh RPMI 2 h after infection.

Primary cell isolation, culture, T cell activation, and infection

For CD4$^+$ T cells isolation, human PBMC (ST70025, STEMCELL Technologies) was mixed

and incubated with MACS CD4 MicroBeads (130-045-101, Miltenyi Biotec) and FITC-

conjugated mouse anti-CD4 (561005, BD Bioscience) according to the manufacturer's

instructions. Then the CD4$^+$ T cells were enriched by using LS Columns (130-042-401,

Miltenyi Biotec) and MidiMACS Separator (130-042-302, Miltenyi Biotec). The efficiency

of magnetic separation was analyzed by using Flow-Activated Cell Sorter Canto II (BD

Bioscience) and Flowjo software (Flowjo).

CD4$^+$ T cells were cultured in Roswell Park Memorial Institute (RPMI) 1640 medium

(Gibco), supplemented with 10% (v/v) fetal bovine serum (FBS, Cytiva), antibiotic mixture

(100 units/ml penicillin–streptomycin, Gibco), 1% (v/v) GlutaMAX-I (Gibco), and 20 ng/ml

of IL-2 (PHC0026, Gibco), left in resting state or activated with Dynabeads Human T-

Activator CD3/CD28 (1161D, Thermo Fisher Scientific) for 72 h. CD4$^+$ T cells activation

efficiency was assessed by staining cells with FITC-conjugated mouse anti-CD25 (340694,

BD Bioscience) and APC-conjugated mouse anti-CD69 (130-114-046, Miltenyi Biotec) and

using Flow-Activated Cell Sorter Canto II (BD Bioscience) and Flowjo software (Flowjo).

Purified and activated CD4$^+$ T cells were seeded at a density of 1×10^6 cells/mL and

inoculated with 600ng/p24 capsid antigen in presence of polybrene. The plates were

centrifuged at 1000 g at 30°C for 1 h. The medium was replaced with fresh RPMI 2 h after

infection.

DRIP-qPCR

395 DRIP was performed as described for the construction of the DRIPc-seq library. After the

396 elution of isolated complexes, nucleic acids were purified using the standard phenol-

397 chloroform extract method and used for qPCR. S6 Table presents details of the primer

398 sequences used for DRIP-qPCR analysis.

RNA-seq library construction

For RNA-seq, HeLa cells were infected with VSV-G-pseudotyped HIV-1 NL4-3 ΔEnv EGFP

virus at a MOI of 0.6 and harvested at 0, 3, 6, and 12 hpi. Sequencing was performed with

biological replicates. Total RNA was extracted using TRIzol reagent (Invitrogen), according

to the manufacturer's instructions. An mRNA sequencing library was constructed using

Illumina adaptors harboring p5 and p7 sequences and Rd1 SP and Rd2 SP sequences.

Sequencing was performed using the HiSeq2500 system (Illumina).

Luciferase assay

HeLa cells infected with VSV-G-pseudotyped pNL4-3.Luc.R-E HIV-1 viruses were harvested

at 48 hpi, and luminescence was measured using the Dual-Luciferase Reporter Assay System

(Promega) according to the manufacturer's instructions. Briefly, 250 μl of passive lysis buffer

was used to lyse cells for each sample, 20 μl of the lysate was mixed with 100 μl of the

Luciferase Assay Reagent II, and the luminescence of firefly luciferase was measured using a

microplate luminometer (Berthold). The luminescence signal were normalized with total

protein content, measured by BCA assay.

Quantitative real-time PCR (qPCR)

For RT (reverse transcription)-qPCR, 1 μg of RNA was reverse-transcribed using the

ReverTra Ace qPCR RT Kit (TOYOBO) following the manufacturer's instructions. For

qPCR, DNA extracts were prepared using a DNA purification kit (Qiagen, 51106) according

to the manufacturer's instructions. Equivalent amounts of purified gDNA from each sample

were analyzed using qPCR. qPCR was performed using TOPreal qPCR PreMIX

(Enzynomics, RT500M). The reactions were performed in duplicate or triplicate for technical

replicates. PCR was performed using the iCycler iQ real-time PCR detection system (Bio-

Rad). All the primers used for qPCR are listed in S6 Table.

DRIPc-seq library construction

DRIP followed by library preparation, next-generation sequencing, and peak calling were

performed as described earlier (28). Briefly, the corresponding cells were harvested and their

gDNA was extracted. The extracted nucleic acids were fragmented using a restriction enzyme

cocktail with BsrB I (NEB, R0102S), HindIII (NEB, R0136L), Xba I (NEB, R0145L), and

EcoRI (NEB, R3101L) overnight at 37°C. Half of the fragmented nucleic acids were digested

with RNase H (New England Biolabs) overnight at 37°C to serve as a negative control. The

digested nucleic acids were cleaned using standard phenol-chloroform extraction and

resuspended in DNase/RNase-free water. DNA–RNA hybrids were immunoprecipitated from

total nucleic acids using mouse anti-DNA–RNA hybrid S9.6 (Kerafast, ENH001) DRIP

binding buffer and incubated overnight at 4°C. Dynabeads Protein A (Invitrogen, 10001D)

was used to pull down the DNA-antibody complexes by incubation for 4 h at 4°C. The

isolated complexes were washed twice with DRIP binding buffer before elution. For elution,

the isolated complexes were incubated in an elution buffer containing proteinase K for 45

min at 55 °C. Subsequently, DNA was purified using the standard phenol-chloroform extract

method and subjected to DNase I (Takara, 2270 B) treatment and reverse transcription for

DRIPc-seq library construction. DRIPc-seq was performed in biological replicates. S5 Table

shows details of the oligonucleotides used for DRIPc-seq library construction. DRIPc-seq

libraries were analyzed using 150 bp paired-end sequencing on a HiSeqX Illumina

instrument.

Immunofluorescence microscopy

For immunofluorescence assays of S9.6 nuclear signals, when indicated, the cells were pre-

extracted with cold 0.5% NP-40 for 3 min on ice. Cells were fixed with 100% ice-cold

methanol for 10 min on ice and then incubated with 100% ice-cold acetone for 1 min. The

slides were washed three times with 1× PBS and incubated with or without 60 U/mL RNase

H (M0297S, NEB) at 37°C for 36 h or left untreated. The slides were subsequently briefly

rinsed thrice with 2% BSA/0.05% Tween (in PBS) and incubated with mouse anti-DNA–

RNA hybrid S9.6 (Kerafast, ENH001; 1:100) and rabbit anti-nucleolin (Abcam, ab22758;

1:300) in 2% BSA/0.05% Tween (in PBS) for 4 h at 4°C. The slides were then washed three

times with 2% BSA/0.05% Tween (in PBS) and incubated with goat anti-rabbit AlexaFluor-

488-conjugated (Invitrogen, A-11008) and goat anti-mouse AlexaFluor-568-conjugated

(Molecular Probes, A11004) secondary antibodies (1:200) for 2 h at room temperature. The

slides were then washed three times with 2% BSA/0.05% Tween (in PBS) and mounted using

the ProLong Gold AntiFade reagent (Invitrogen). Images were obtained using an inverted

microscope Nikon Eclipse Ti2, equipped with a 1.45 numerical aperture, plan apochromat

lambda 100× oil objective, and an scientific complementary metal–oxide–semiconductor

camera (Photometrics prime 95 B 25 mm). For each field of view, images were obtained with

DAPI395, GFP488, and Alexa594 channels using the NIS-Elements software. For

quantification analysis, binary masks of nuclei and nucleoli were generated using the ROI

manager and auto local thresholding using the ImageJ software. The intensity of nuclear

signals for DNA–RNA hybrids and nucleolin was then quantified. The final DNA–RNA

hybrid signals in the nucleus were calculated by subtracting the nucleolin signals from the

DNA–RNA hybrid signals.

pgR-rich and -poor cell line generation with piggyBac transposition

We adapted and modified an elegantly designed episomal system that induces defined R-

loops with controlled transcription levels (*16*) for R-loop-forming or non-R-loop-forming

sequence subcloning into the piggyBac transposon vector. HeLa cells were seeded at a

density of 5×10^4 cells/ml in a 6-well plate. The next day, cells were transfected with 0.2 µg

of Super PiggyBac Transposase Expression Vector (System Biosciences, PB210PA-1) and

0.2, 1, or 2 µg of transposon vectors with appropriate "cargo" sub cloned using

Lipofectamine 3000 (Invitrogen) according to the manufacturer's instructions. After 3 days,

the cells were treated with 10 µg/ml blasticidin S (Gibco, A1113903) for selection. Cells with

positive integrants for more than 7 days were validated using immunoblotting or RT-qPCR

following treatment with DOX. Jurkat cells were seeded at a density of 8×10^5 cells/ml in a

6-well plate and transfected with 0.2 µg of transposase and 1 µg of corresponding transposon

vectors with Lipofectamine 3000, like HeLa cells. After 3 days, the cells were treated with 10

µg/ml blasticidin S (Gibco, A1113903) for selection. For each passage, cells were cushioned

onto Ficoll-Pacque (Cytiva, 17144002) to separate live cells from dead cell debris. The cells

over the cushion were washed with PBS and incubated in cell culture medium with 10 µg/ml

of blasticidin for further selection for at least 14 days. Cells with positive integrants were

validated by immunoblotting after treatment with DOX. Quantification of successfully

integrated piggyBac transposons was performed using a piggyBac qPCR copy number kit

(System Biosciences, PBC100A-1) according to the manufacturer's instructions.

HIV-1 integration site sequencing library construction

HIV-1 integration site sequencing library construction was performed as described earlier (*7,*

9). Summarily, HeLa cells were infected with VSV-G-pseudotyped HIV-1 NL4-3 ΔEnv

EGFP virus at a MOI of 0.6 and harvested 5 days post infection. gDNA was isolated using a

DNA purification kit (Qiagen, 51106), according to the manufacturer's instructions. gDNA

(10 µg) was digested overnight at 37°C with 100 U each of the restriction endonucleases

MseI (NEB, R0525L) and BglII (NEB, R0144L). Linker oligonucleotides, which were

compatible for ligation with the MseI-generated DNA ends, were ligated with gDNA

overnight at 12°C in reactions containing 1.5 µM ligated linker, 1 µg fragmented DNA, and

800 U T4 DNA ligase (NEB, M0202S). Viral LTR–host DNA junctions were amplified using

semi-nested PCR with a unique linker-specific primer and LTR primers. The second round of

PCR was carried out with primers binding to the LTR and the linkers for next-generation

sequencing. Two PCRs were performed in parallel for the first round of PCR and five PCRs

were performed in parallel for the second round of PCR to enhance library diversity. S7 Table

presents details of the oligonucleotides used for HIV-1 integration site sequencing library

construction. HIV-1 integration site sequencing was performed in biological replicates.

Integration site libraries were analyzed using 150 bp paired-end sequencing on a HiSeqX

Illumina instrument.

Recombinant Sso7d-IN protein purification

Sso7d-integrase active site mutant E152Q was expressed in Escherichia coli BL21-AI and

purified essentially as previously described (*50*). Briefly, Sso7d-IN (E152Q) expressed BL21-

AI cells were lysis in lysis buffer (20 mM HEPES pH 7.5, 2 mM 2-mercaptoethanol, 1 M

NaCl, 10% (w/v) glycerol, 20 mM imidazole, 1 mg RNase A, and 1000 U DNase I) and

purified by nickel affinity chromatography (Qiagen, 30210). Protein were first loaded on

HeparinHP column (GE Healthcare) equilibrated with equilibrated with 20 mM Tris, pH 8.0,

0.5 mM TCEP, 200 mM NaCl, 10% glycerol for anion exchange chromatography prior to the

size exclusion chromatography. Proteins were eluted with a linear gradient of NaCl from 200

mM to 1 M. Eluted fractions were pooled and then separated on a Superdex-200 PC 10/300

GL column (GE Healthcare) equilibrated with 20 mM Tris pH 8.0, 0.5 mM TCEP, 500 mM

NaCl and 6% (w/v) glycerol. The purified protein was concentrated to 0.6 mg/ml using an

Amicon centrifugal contentrator (EMD Millipore), flash-frozen in liquid nitrogen and stored

at -80°C.

Electrophoretic mobility shift assay for R-loop binding of Sso7d-IN

To test the binding affinity of Sso7d-tagged HIV-1 IN to different types of nucleic acid

substrates, we prepared R-loop, dsDNA, RNA-DNA hybrid with exposed ssDNA

(R:D+ssDNA), RNA-DNA hybrid (Hybrid), ssDNA, and ssRNA by annealing different

combinations of Cy3, Cy5 or non-labeled oligonucleotides following the previous protocol

(*51*). 10 nM of DNA substrate was incubated with Sso7d-IN at different concentrations in

assembly buffer (20 mM HEPES pH 7.5, 5 mM $CaCl_2$, 8 mM 2-mercaptoethanol, 4 uM

$ZnCl_2$, 100 mM NaCl, 25% (w/v) glycerol and 50 mM 3-(Benzyldimethylammonio)

propanesulfonate (NDSB-256)), for 1 h at 30°C then incubated for 15 min on ice. All the

reactants were run on 4.5% non-denaturing PAGE in 1× TBE and then Cy3 or Cy5

fluorescence signal was imaged by ChemiDoc MP imaging system (Bio-Rad). S8 Table

presents details of the oligonucleotide sequence used for EMSA.

Co-immunoprecipitation of DNA–RNA hybrid

DNA–RNA hybrid immunoprecipitation was performed as described earlier (*37*). Summarily,

non-crosslinked HeLa cells transfected with the pFlag-IN codon-optimized plasmid were

lysed in 85 mM KCl, 5 mM PIPES (pH 8.0), and 0.5% NP-40 for 10 min on ice, and then, the

lysates were centrifuged at 750 *g* for 5 min to pellet the nuclei. The pelleted nuclei were

resuspended in sodium deoxycholate, SDS, and sodium lauroyl sarcosinate in RSB buffer and

were sonicated for 10 min (Diagenode Bioruptor). Extracts were then diluted (1:4 in RSB + T

buffer) and subjected to immunoprecipitation with the S9.6 antibody overnight at 4°C.

Antibody-bound complexes were incubated with Protein A Dynabeads (Invitrogen) for 4 h at

4°C for immunoprecipitation. Normal mouse IgG antibodies (Santa Cruz, sc-2025) were used

as negative controls. RNase A (Thermo Scientific, EN0531) was added during

immunoprecipitation at 0.1 ng RNase A per µg gDNA. Beads were washed four times with

RSB + T; twice with RSB, and eluted either in 2× LDS (Novex, NP0007), 100 mM DTT for

10 min at 70°C (for western blot), or 1% SDS and 0.1 M NaHCO$_3$ for 30 min at room

temperature (for DNA–RNA hybrid dot blot).

For co-immunoprecipitation of DNA–RNA hybrids with RNase H treatment, gDNA

containing RNA–DNA hybrids was isolated from HeLa cells transfected with a pFlag-IN

codon-optimized plasmid using a QIAmp DNA Mini Kit (Qiagen, 51304). gDNA was

sonicated for 10 min (Diagenode Bioruptor) and then treated with 5.5 U RNase H (NEB,

M0297) per µg of DNA overnight at 37 °C. A fraction of gDNA was stored as "nucleic acid

input" for dot blot analysis. gDNA was cleaned using standard phenol-chloroform extraction,

resuspended in DNase/RNase-free water, enriched for DNA–RNA hybrids using

immunoprecipitation with the S9.6 antibody (overnight at 4°C), isolated with Protein A

Dynabeads (Invitrogen; 4 h at 4°C), washed thrice with RSB+T. The immunoprecipitated

complexes were incubated with nuclear extracts of HeLa cells transfected with the pFlag-IN

codon-optimized plasmid for 2 h at 4°C with diluted HeLa nuclear extracts. The cell lysate

containing proteins were pre-treated with 0.1 mg/ml RNase A (Thermo Scientific, EN0531)

for 1 h at 37°C to degrade all RNA–DNA hybrids, and the excess of RNase A was blocked by

adding 200 U of SUPERase in RNase inhibitor (Invitrogen, AM2694) for

immunoprecipitation. In addition, 100 µL fraction of diluted and RNase A pre-treated extracts

prior to immunoprecipitation was stored as "protein input" for western blotting. Beads were

washed four times with RSB + T; twice with RSB, and eluted either in 2× LDS (Novex,

NP0007), 100 mM DTT for 10 min at 70°C (for western blot), or 1% SDS, and 0.1 M

NaHCO$_3$ for 30 min at room temperature (for DNA–RNA hybrid dot blot).

PLA

For PLA, HeLa cells were grown on coverslips and infected with HIV-IN-EGFP virions. At 6

hpi, cells were pre-extracted with cold 0.5% NP-40 for 3 min on ice. The cells were fixed

with 4% paraformaldehyde in PBS for 15 min at 4 °C. The cells were then blocked with 1×

blocking solution (Merck, DUO92102) for 1 h at 37°C in a humidity chamber. After

blocking, cells were incubated with the following primary antibodies overnight at 4°C for

S9.6-HIV-1-IN_PLA: mouse anti-DNA–RNA hybrid S9.6 (1:250; Kerafast, ENH001) and

rabbit anti-GFP (1:500; Abcam, ab6556). The following day, after washing with once with

buffer A twice (Merck, DUO92102), cells were incubated with pre-mixed Duolink PLA plus

(anti-mouse) and PLA minus probes (anti-rabbit) antibodies for 1 h at 37°C. The subsequent

steps in the proximal ligation assay were performed using the Duolink PLA Fluorescence kit

(Sigma) according to the manufacturer's instructions. To obtain images, the mounted

specimens were visually scanned and representative images were acquired using a Zeiss LSM

710 laser scanning confocal microscope (Carl Zeiss). The number of intranuclear PLA puncta

was quantified using the ImageJ software. For each biological replicate and experiment, a

PLA with a single antibody was performed as a negative control under the same conditions.

DRIPc-Seq data processing and peak calling

DRIPc-seq reads were quality-controlled using FastQC v0.11.9 (*52*), and sequencing adapters

were trimmed using Trim Galore! v0.6.6 (*53*) based on Cutadapt v2.8 (*54*). Trimmed reads

were aligned to the hg38 reference genome using bwa v0.7.17-r1188 (*55*). Read

deduplication and peak calling were performed using MACS v2.2.7.1 (*56*). Because R-loops

appear as both narrow and broad peaks in DRIPc-seq read alignment owing to its variable

length, two independent "MACS2 callpeak" runs were performed for narrow and broad peak

587 calling. The narrow and broad peaks were merged using Bedtools v2.26.0 (*57*). To increase

588 the sensitivity of DRIPc-seq peak identification, peaks were called after pooling the two

589 biological replicates of the DRIPc-seq sequencing data for each condition.

Consensus R-loop peak calling

The R-loop peaks at 0, 3, 6 and 12 hpi were first merged using "bedtools merge" to create a

universal set of R-loop peaks across time points (n = 46542). Then, each of the universal R-

loop peaks was tested for overlap with the R-loop peaks for 0, 3, 6 and 12 hpi using "bedtools

intersect". In all, 9,190, 21,403, 33,544, and 9,941 peaks overlapped with 0, 3, 6, and 12 hpi

R-loop peaks, respectively. For CD4 cells, we identified a universal R-loop set consisting of

3,928 R-loops, and among them, 737, 722, 1,796 and 2,766 peaks overlapped with 0, 3, 6 and

12hpi R-loop peaks.

HIV-1 integration site sequencing data processing

Quality control of HIV-1 integration site-sequencing reads was performed using FastQC

v0.11.9. To discard primers and linkers specific for integration site-sequencing from reads,

we used Cutadapt v2.8 with the following option: "-u 49 -U 38 --minimum-length 36 --pair-

filter any --action trim -q0,0 –a linker -A

TGCTAGAGATTTTCCACACTGACTGGGTCTGAGGG -A GGGTCTGAGGG --no-indels

--overlap 12". This allowed the first position of the read alignment to directly represent the

genomic position of HIV-1 integration. Processed reads were aligned to the hg38 reference

genome using bwa v0.7.17-r1188, and integration sites were identified using an in-house

Python script. Genomic positions supported by more than five read alignments were regarded

as HIV-1 integration sites. For Jurkat cells, we adopted integration site sequencing data of

HIV-1 infected wild type Jurkat cells from SRR12322252 (*58*).

Co-localization analysis of R-loops and integration sites

Enrichment of integration sites near the R-loop peaks was tested using a randomized

permutation test. Randomized R-loop peaks were generated using "bedtools shuffle"

command, thus preserving the number and the length distribution of the R-loop peaks during

the randomization process. Similarly, integration sites were randomized using the "bedtools

shuffle" command. Randomization was performed 100 times. ENCODE blacklist regions

(*59*) were excluded while shuffling the R-loops and integration sites to exclude inaccessible

genomic regions from the analysis. For each of the observed (or randomized) integration

sites, the closest observed (or randomized) R-loop peak and the corresponding genomic

distance were identified using the "bedtools closest" command. The distribution of the

genomic distances was displayed to show the local enrichment of integration sites in terms of

the increased proportion of integration sites within the 30-kb window centered on R-loops

compared to their randomized counterparts.

DNA plasmid construction and transfection

R-loop-forming mAIRN and non-R-loop forming ECPF sequences were subcloned from

pSH26 and pSH36 plasmids, which were generously provided by Prof. Karlene A. Cimprich,

into the piggyBac transposon vector, where the tet operator sequences were located upstream

of the minimal CMV promoter. The pFlag-IN codon-optimized plasmid and pVpr-IN-EGFP

were kindly provided by Prof. A. Engelman and Prof. Anna Cereseto, respectively.

Lipofectamine 3000 (Invitrogen) transfection reagent was used for the transfection of all

plasmids into cells, according to the manufacturer's protocol.

DNA–RNA hybrid dot blotting

Total gDNA was extracted using the QIAmp DNA Mini Kit (Qiagen, 51304) according to the manufacturer's instructions. gDNA (1.2 μg) was treated with 2 U RNase H (NEB, M2097) per μg of gDNA for 4 h at 37°C, with half of the sample left untreated but denatured. Half of the DNA sample was probed with S9.6 antibody (1:1000), and the other half was probed with an anti-ssDNA antibody (MAB3034, Millipore, 1:10000).

Immunoblotting

Cells were lysed using RIPA buffer (50 mM Tris, 150 mM sodium chloride, 0.5% sodium deoxycholate, 0.1% SDS, and 1.0% NP-40) supplemented with 10 μM leupeptin (Sigma-Aldrich) and 1 mM phenylmethanesulfonyl fluoride (Sigma-Aldrich) and boiled at 98°C for 10 min with SDS sample buffer prior to SDS-PAGE. The primary antibodies used were mouse monoclonal anti-FLAG M2 (Sigma, F3165), monoclonal mouse anti-HSC70 (Abcam, ab2788), polyclonal rabbit anti-histone H3 (tri methyl K4) antibody (Abcam, ab8580), monoclonal mouse anti- HIV-1 Integrase (Santa Cruz, sc-69721), rabbit anti-LaminA/C antibody (Cell Signaling, 2032), and monoclonal mouse anti-Actin (Invitrogen, MA1-744). All primary antibodies were used at a dilution of 1:1000 for western blotting. Peroxidase-conjugated anti-mouse IgG (115-035-062) and anti-rabbit IgG (111-035-003; both Jackson Laboratories) were used as secondary antibodies at 1:5000 dilution. Signals were detected using the SuperSignal West Pico chemiluminescence kit (Thermo Fisher Scientific).

RNA-seq data processing

RNA-seq reads were quality-controlled and adapter-trimmed as in DRIPc-seq processing. To quantify the expression levels of protein-coding genes, processed reads were aligned to the

hg38 reference genome with GENCODE v37 gene annotation (*60*) using STAR v2.7.3a (*61*).

Gene expression quantification was performed using RSEM v1.3.1. To quantify the

expression levels of transposable elements (TEs), we used TEtranscripts v2.2.1 (*62*).

Processed reads were first aligned to the hg38 reference genome using GENCODE v37 and

RepeatMasker TE annotation using STAR v2.7.3a. In this case, STAR options were modified

as follows to utilize multimapping reads in downstream analyses: "--outFilterMultimapNmax

100 --winAnchorMultimapNmax 100 --outMultimapperOrder random --runRNGseed 77 --

outSAMmultNmax 1 --outFilterType BySJout --alignSJoverhangMin 8 --

alignSJDBoverhangMin 1 --alignIntronMin 20 --alignIntronMax 1000000 --

alignMatesGapMax 1000000". Expression levels of TEs were quantified as read counts with

the "TEcount" command.

Genome annotations

All bioinformatic analyses were performed using the hg38 reference genome and GENCODE

v37 gene annotation. Promoters were defined as a 2-kb region centered at the transcription

start sites of the APPRIS principal isoform of protein-coding genes. TTS regions were

defined as the 2-kb region centered at the 3′ terminals of protein-coding transcripts. CpG

island annotations were downloaded from the UCSC table browser. CpG shores were defined

as 2-kb regions flanking CpG islands, excluding the regions overlapping with CpG islands.

Similarly, CpG shelves were defined as 2-kb regions flanking the stretch of CpG islands and

shores while excluding the regions overlapping with CpG islands and shores. Annotations for

LINE, SINE, and LTR were extracted from the RepeatMasker track in the UCSC table

browser.

Identification of viral sequencing reads in DRIPc-seq

To identify sequencing reads originating from the viral genome, we aligned DRIPc-seq reads

to a composite reference genome consisting of the human and HIV1 genome (Genbank

accession number: AF324493.2) and computed the proportion of the reads mapped to HIV1

genome.

Code availability

Bioinformatics pipelines and scripts used in this study are accessible from

https://github.com/dohlee/hiv1-rloop.

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Figures

Fig 1. HIV-1 infection induces genomic R-loop accumulation in cells at early post-infection. (**A**) Summary

of experimental design for DRIPc-seq in HeLa cells, primary CD4[+] T cells and Jurkat cells infected with HIV-1.

(**B**) Bar graphs indicating DRIPc-seq peak counts for HIV-1-infected HeLa cells, primary CD4[+] T cells and

Jurkat cells harvested at the indicated hours post infection (hpi). Pre-immunoprecipitated samples were

untreated (−) or treated (+) with RNase H, as indicated. Each bar corresponds to pooled datasets from two

biologically independent experiments. (**C**) All genomic loci overlapping a DRIPc-seq peak from HIV-1 infected

HeLa cells, primary CD4[+] T cells and Jurkat cells in at least one sample are stacked vertically; the position of

each peak in a stack is constant horizontally across samples. Each hpi occupies a vertical bar, as indicated. Each

bar corresponds to pooled datasets from two biologically independent experiments. Common peaks for all

samples are represented in black, and in dark gray for those common for at least two samples. The lack of a

DRIP signal over a given peak in any sample is shown in light gray. The sample-unique peaks are colored blue,

yellow, green, and red at 0, 3, 6, and 12 hpi, respectively. (**D**) Dot blot analysis of the R-loop in gDNA extracts

from HIV-1 infected HeLa cells with MOI of 0.6 harvested at the indicated hpi. gDNAs were probed with anti-

S9.6. gDNA extracts were incubated with or without RNase H in vitro before membrane loading (anti-

RNA/DNA signal). Fold-induction was normalized to the value of harvested cells at 0 hpi by quantifying the dot

intensity of the blots and calculating the ratios of the S9.6 signal to the total amount of gDNA (anti-ssDNA

signal). (**E**) Representative images of the immunofluorescence assay of S9.6 nuclear signals in HIV-1 infected

HeLa cells with MOI of 0.6 harvested at 6 hpi. The cells were pre-extracted of cytoplasm and co-stained with

anti-S9.6 (red), anti-nucleolin antibodies (green), and DAPI (blue). The cells were incubated with or without

RNase H in vitro before staining with anti-S9.6 antibodies, as indicated. Quantification of S9.6 signal intensity

per nucleus after nucleolar signal subtraction for the immunofluorescence assay. The mean value for each data

point is indicated by the red line. Statistical significance was assessed using one-way ANOVA (n >53).

Fig. 2. HIV-1-induced R-loops are enriched at both transcriptionally active and silent regions. (**A**) Distribution of DRIPc-seq peak lengths for HIV-1-infected HeLa cells, primary CD4[+] T cells and Jurkat cells harvested at the indicated time points (blue, 0 hpi; yellow, 3 hpi; green, 6 hpi; red, 12 hpi). (**B**) Stacked bar graphs indicating the proportion of DRIPc-seq peaks mapped for HIV-1-infected HeLa cells, primary CD4[+] T cells and Jurkat cells harvested at the indicated hpi over different genomic features. (**C**) Correlation between gene expression and DRIPc-seq signals of HIV-1-infected HeLa cells with MOI of 0.6 harvested at the indicated hpi. Statistical significance was assessed using Pearson's r and p-values.

Fig. 3. R-loop inducible cell line model directly addresses R-loop-mediated HIV-1 integration site selection.
(**A**) Summary of the experimental design for R-loop inducible cell lines, pgR-poor and pgR-rich. (**B**) Gene expression of ECFP (gray) and mAIRN (red), as measured using RT-qPCR in pgR-poor or pgR-rich cells. Where indicated, the cells were incubated with 1 µg/ml DOX for 24 h. Gene expression was normalized relative to *β-actin*. Data are presented as the mean ± SEM, n = 3. (**C**) DRIP-qPCR using the anti-S9.6 antibody against ECFP and mAIRN in pgR-poor or pgR-rich cells. Where indicated, the cells were incubated with 1 µg/ml DOX for 24 h. Pre-immunoprecipitated samples were untreated or treated with RNase H as indicated. Values are relative to those of DOX-treated (+) RNase H-untreated (−) pgR-poor cells. Data are presented as the mean ± SEM; statistical significance was assessed using two-way ANOVA (n = 2). (**D**) Bar graphs indicate luciferase activity at 48 hpi in pgR-poor or prR-rich cells infected with 100ng/p24 capsid antigen of luciferase reporter HIV-1 virus per 1×10^5 cells/mL. Data are presented as the mean ± SEM; P values were calculated using one-way ANOVA (n = 6). (**E**) Box graph indicating the quantified HIV-1 integration site sequencing read count across pgR-poor and pgR-rich transposon sequences in untreated (−) or DOX-treated (+) pgR-poor or pgR-rich cell line infected with 100ng/p24

capsid antigen of luciferase reporter HIV-1 virus per 1×10^5 cells/mL. Each bar corresponds to pooled datasets

from three biologically independent experiments (n =3). In each boxplot, the centerline denotes the median, the

upper and lower box limits denote the upper and lower quartiles, and the whiskers denote the 1.5 × interquartile

range. Statistical significance was assessed using a two-sided Mann–Whitney U test. (**F** and **G**) Heat maps

representing HIV-1 integration frequency across pgR-poor (**F**) or pgR-rich (**G**) transposon sequence in untreated

(-) or DOX-treated (+) pgR-poor (**F**) or pgR-rich (**G**) cell line. Each rectangular box corresponds to the pooled

integration frequency from three biologically independent experiments (n =3) at the indicated position within

pgR-poor (**F**) or pgR-rich (**G**) transposon vector. Each light blue box represents actual position of R-loop forming

or non-R-loop forming sequence (ECFP or mAIRN) and the yellows stars indicate TRE promoter position within

vector.

Fig. 4. HIV-1 targets host genomic R-loop for its viral cDNA integration. (**A**) Bar graphs showing quantified number of HIV-1 integration sites per Mb pairs in total regions of 30-kb windows centered on DRIPc-seq peaks from HIV-1 infected HeLa cells, primary CD4[+] T cells and Jurkat cells (magenta) or non-R-loop region in the cellular genome (gray). (**B**) Proportion of integration sites within the 30-kb windows centered on R-loops (magenta solid lines) or randomized R-loops (gray dotted lines). Control comparisons between randomized integration sites with R-loops and randomized R-loops are indicated by black dotted lines and gray solid lines, respectively. (**C** and **D**) Superimpositions of HIV-1-induced R-loop positive chromatin regions, P2 and P3 (**C**), and HIV-1-induced R-loop negative chromatin regions, N1 and N2 (**D**), on DRIPc-seq (blue, 0 hpi; yellow, 3 hpi; green, 6 hpi; red, 12 hpi) and HIV-1 integration frequency (IF, black).

Fig. 5. HIV-1 integrase proteins directly bind to host genomic R-loops. (A) Representative gel images for

EMSA of Sso7d-tagged HIV-1-integrase (E152Q) with R-loop and dsDNA, 10 nM nucleic acid substrate was

incubated with Sso7d-tagged HIV-1-integrase (E152Q) at 0 nM, 20 nM, 50 nM, 100 nM, 200 nM, and 400 nM

(left). Unbound fraction were quantified for EMSA of Sso7d-tagged HIV-1-integrase (E152Q) with different types

substrates (R-loop, dsDNA, R-loop, R:D+ssDNA and Hybrid). Data are presented as the mean ± SEM, n = 3

(right). (B) Summary of the experimental design for R-loop immunoprecipitation using S9.6 antibody in FLAG-

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antibody. gDNA–RNA hybrids were incubated with nuclear extracts depleted of DNA–RNA hybrids with RNase

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arrows. Quantification analysis of number of PLA foci per nucleus (left). GFP_alone and S9.6_alone were used

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Magenta dotted lines represent primer binding sites in qPCR following DRIP. (**D** and **E),** Genome browser

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signals for each indicated sample) on plus (+) or minus (-) DNA strand. Magenta dotted lines represent primer

binding sites in qPCR following DRIP.

S3 Fig. Host cellular R-loop induction by HIV-1 infection is host-genome specific. (A) DRIP-qPCR using

the anti-S9.6 antibody at P1, P2, P3, N1, and N2 in HIV-1-infected cells with MOI of 0.6 harvested at the

indicated hpi (blue, 0 hpi; green, 6 hpi). Pre-immunoprecipitated materials were untreated (−) or treated (+) with

RNase H, as indicated. Data are presented as the mean ± SEM; P-values were calculated using one-way ANOVA

(n = 2). (**B**) Dot blot analysis of the R-loop in gDNA extracts from HIV-1 infected HeLa cells with MOI of 0.6

harvested at 6hpi. The cells were treated with DMSO, 10uM of Nevirapine (NVP), or 10uM of Raltegravir

(RAL) for 24 h before infection, as indicated. gDNAs were probed with anti-S9.6. gDNA extracts were

incubated with or without RNase H in vitro before membrane loading (anti-RNA/DNA signal). Fold-induction

was normalized to the value of harvested cells at 0 hpi by quantifying the dot intensity of the blots and

calculating the ratios of the S9.6 signal to the total amount of gDNA (anti-ssDNA signal). (**C**) Representative

images of the immunofluorescence assay of S9.6 nuclear signals in HIV-1 infected HeLa cells with MOI of 0.6

at 6 hpi. The cells were pre-extracted of cytoplasm and co-stained with anti-S9.6 (red), anti-nucleolin antibodies

(green), and DAPI (blue). The cells were treated with DMSO, 10uM of Nevirapine (NVP), or 10uM of

Raltegravir (RAL) for 24 h before infection, as indicated. Quantification of S9.6 signal intensity per nucleus

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indicated by the red line. Statistical significance was assessed using one-way ANOVA (n >51). (**D**) Pie graphs

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of two biologically independent experiments. (B) Indicated gene expression as measured by RT-qPCR in 0 or 6

hpi harvested HIV-1-infected HeLa cells. Data represent mean ± SEM, n = 3, P values were calculated

according to two-tailed Student's t-test. P > 0.05; n.s, not significant.

S5 Fig. Regulation of cellular R-loops by RNase H1 expression, or by transposon-transposase insertion of R-loop forming and non-R-loop forming sequences in HeLa cells. (**A**) Copy number of piggyBac transposon inserts in each cell line constructed by transfecting the transposon vector and transposase-expressing vector. Cell lines used for further experiments are shaded gray (pgR-poor) or red (pgR-rich). (**B** and **C**) Fold induction of gene expression for the indicated genes as measured by RT-qPCR. Fold induction were calculated by dividing the gene expression level of DOX-treated (+) by that of DOX-untreated (-) in pgR-poor cells (**B**) or pgR-rich cells (**C**). Data represent mean ± SEM, n = 2, P values were calculated according to two-way ANOVA. P > 0.05; n.s, not significant. (**D** and **E**) Relative gene expression of the indicated genes as measured by RT-qPCR in DOX-treated (+) or DOX-untreated (-) pgR-poor cells (**D**) or pgR-rich cells (**E**). Data represent mean ± SEM, n = 2, P values were calculated according to two-way ANOVA. P > 0.05; n.s, not significant.

S6 Fig. HIV-1 integrase proteins directly binds to host genomic R-loops. (**A**) Representative gel images for EMSA of Sso7d-tagged HIV-1-integrase (E152Q) with different types of nucleic acids substrates (R:D+ssDNA and Hybrid). 100 nM nucleic acid substrate was incubated with Sso7d-tagged HIV-1-integrase (E152Q) at 0 nM, 20 nM, 50 nM, 100 nM, 200 nM, and 400 nM (n = 3). (**B**) Nucleic acid extracts from FLAG-HIV-1-integrase-expressing cells were immunoprecipitated using S9.6 antibody. gDNA was precipitated from the elutes of immunoprecipitation and subjected to DNA–RNA hybrid dot blotting. Where indicated, the gDNA extracts were either untreated (–) or treated (+) with RNase H after elution of immunoprecipitated materials. (**C**) Summary of the experimental design for R-loop immunoprecipitation using S9.6 antibody in FLAG-tagged HIV-1 integrase protein-expressing HeLa cells with pre-immunoprecipitation in vitro RNase H treatment. (**D**) Protein extracts

896   from FLAG-HIV-1-integrase-expressing cells were immunoprecipitated using anti-FLAG antibody. Western blot

897   of FLAG immunoprecipitation was probed with anti-FLAG or anti-H3 antibodies. (**E**) Representative images of

898   the proximity-ligation assay (PLA) using single antibody (anti-GFP or anti-S9.6) in HIV-IN-EGFP virion-infected

899   HeLa cells at 6 hpi, as PLA signal negative controls. Cells were subjected to PLA (orange) and co-stained with

900   DAPI (blue) (n > 50).

			HeLa		
Gene	**Chromosom**	**Position (hg38)**	**Description**	**Average DRIPc-seq signal**	
RPL13A	chr19	49487608-49493057	Input (-)_0hpi		3.59
			Input (-)_3hpi		0.24
			Input (-)_6hpi		2.39
			Input (-)_12hpi		3.51
			Input (+)_0hpi		82.29
			Input (+)_3hpi		51.76
			Input (+)_6hpi		39.14
			Input (+)_12hpi		176.73
			IP_RNase H- (-)_0hpi		2.21
			IP_RNase H- (-)_3hpi		2.73
			IP_RNase H- (-)_6hpi		2.39
			IP_RNase H- (-)_12hpi		4.25
			IP_RNase H- (+)_0hpi		110.32
			IP_RNase H- (+)_3hpi		140.22
			IP_RNase H- (+)_6hpi		58.36
			IP_RNase H- (+)_12hpi		137.37
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_0hpi		0.00
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_3hpi		4.48
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_6hpi		3.74
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_12hpi		0.00
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_0hpi		1.98
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_3hpi		3.36
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_6hpi		1.60
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_12hpi		6.81
Gene	**Chromosom**	**Position (hg38)**	**Description**	**Average DRIPc-seq signal**	
CALM3	chr19	46601330-46610782	Input (-)_0hpi		1.47
			Input (-)_3hpi		1.02
			Input (-)_6hpi		2.46
			Input (-)_12hpi		0.74
			Input (+)_0hpi		26.50
			Input (+)_3hpi		19.95
			Input (+)_6hpi		11.61
			Input (+)_12hpi		56.92
			IP_RNase H- (-)_0hpi		0.90
			IP_RNase H- (-)_3hpi		1.54
			IP_RNase H- (-)_6hpi		1.23
			IP_RNase H- (-)_12hpi		1.73
			IP_RNase H- (+)_0hpi		13.97
			IP_RNase H- (+)_3hpi		28.68
			IP_RNase H- (+)_6hpi		10.58
			IP_RNase H- (+)_12hpi		24.70
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_0hpi		0.71
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_3hpi		1.83
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_6hpi		2.78
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_12hpi		1.04
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_0hpi		2.12
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_3hpi		1.64
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_6hpi		2.26
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_12hpi		1.65
Gene	**Chromosom**	**Position (hg38)**	**Description**	**Average DRIPc-seq signal**	
SNRPN	chr15	24823647-24978582	Input (-)_0hpi		1.46
			Input (-)_3hpi		1.27
			Input (-)_6hpi		1.34
			Input (-)_12hpi		1.76
			Input (+)_0hpi		1.21
			Input (+)_3hpi		0.81
			Input (+)_6hpi		1.25
			Input (+)_12hpi		0.41
			IP_RNase H- (-)_0hpi		0.45
			IP_RNase H- (-)_3hpi		0.47
			IP_RNase H- (-)_6hpi		0.37
			IP_RNase H- (-)_12hpi		0.05
			IP_RNase H- (+)_0hpi		0.37
			IP_RNase H- (+)_3hpi		0.24
			IP_RNase H- (+)_6hpi		0.54
			IP_RNase H- (+)_12hpi		0.07
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_0hpi		1.40
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_3hpi		0.93
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_6hpi		1.10
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_12hpi		1.31
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_0hpi		1.18
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_3hpi		1.12
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_6hpi		1.26
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_12hpi		1.10

903 **S1 Table. Chromosomal position and DRIPc-seq signal for referenced R-loop-positive and –negative**

904 **regions in HIV-1 infected HeLa cells**

			CD4+	
Gene	Chromosom	Position (hg38)	Description	Average DRIPc-seq signal
RPL13A	chr19	49487608-49493057	Input (-)_0hpi	2.33
			Input (-)_3hpi	1.51
			Input (-)_6hpi	2.56
			Input (-)_12hpi	0.77
			Input (+)_0hpi	2.91
			Input (+)_3hpi	1.94
			Input (+)_6hpi	2.36
			Input (+)_12hpi	2.19
			IP_RNase H- (-)_0hpi	0.00
			IP_RNase H- (-)_3hpi	3.63
			IP_RNase H- (-)_6hpi	0.00
			IP_RNase H- (-)_12hpi	0.00
			IP_RNase H- (+)_0hpi	144.19
			IP_RNase H- (+)_3hpi	77.26
			IP_RNase H- (+)_6hpi	130.86
			IP_RNase H- (+)_12hpi	190.08
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_0hpi	1.42
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_3hpi	0.00
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_6hpi	0.00
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_12hpi	0.00
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_0hpi	0.93
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_3hpi	0.00
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_6hpi	0.00
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_12hpi	2.28
Gene	Chromosom	Position (hg38)	Description	Average DRIPc-seq signal
CALM3	chr19	46601330-46610782	Input (-)_0hpi	4.58
			Input (-)_3hpi	4.64
			Input (-)_6hpi	2.96
			Input (-)_12hpi	4.04
			Input (+)_0hpi	3.62
			Input (+)_3hpi	3.65
			Input (+)_6hpi	3.40
			Input (+)_12hpi	4.11
			IP_RNase H- (-)_0hpi	0.00
			IP_RNase H- (-)_3hpi	0.00
			IP_RNase H- (-)_6hpi	0.00
			IP_RNase H- (-)_12hpi	2.70
			IP_RNase H- (+)_0hpi	108.23
			IP_RNase H- (+)_3hpi	183.80
			IP_RNase H- (+)_6hpi	87.73
			IP_RNase H- (+)_12hpi	181.80
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_0hpi	2.80
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_3hpi	0.00
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_6hpi	0.00
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_12hpi	1.94
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_0hpi	4.11
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_3hpi	1.19
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_6hpi	9.88
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_12hpi	6.17
Gene	Chromosom	Position (hg38)	Description	Average DRIPc-seq signal
SNRPN	chr15	24823647-24978582	Input (-)_0hpi	1.65
			Input (-)_3hpi	1.41
			Input (-)_6hpi	1.74
			Input (-)_12hpi	1.15
			Input (+)_0hpi	1.72
			Input (+)_3hpi	1.46
			Input (+)_6hpi	1.97
			Input (+)_12hpi	1.29
			IP_RNase H- (-)_0hpi	0.31
			IP_RNase H- (-)_3hpi	0.27
			IP_RNase H- (-)_6hpi	0.10
			IP_RNase H- (-)_12hpi	0.27
			IP_RNase H- (+)_0hpi	0.98
			IP_RNase H- (+)_3hpi	1.00
			IP_RNase H- (+)_6hpi	0.53
			IP_RNase H- (+)_12hpi	0.56
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_0hpi	0.94
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_3hpi	1.57
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_6hpi	0.00
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_12hpi	2.17
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_0hpi	1.37
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_3hpi	1.14
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_6hpi	1.42
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_12hpi	1.19

906 **S2 Table. Chromosomal position and DRIPc-seq signal for referenced R-loop-positive and –negative**

907 **regions in HIV-1 infected primary CD4+ T cells**

			Jurkat	
Gene	Chromosom	Position (hg38)	Description	Average DRIPc-seq signal
RPL13A	chr19	49487608-49493057	Input (-)_0hpi	1.46
			Input (-)_3hpi	1.92
			Input (-)_6hpi	1.92
			Input (-)_12hpi	1.58
			Input (+)_0hpi	1.40
			Input (+)_3hpi	2.02
			Input (+)_6hpi	1.15
			Input (+)_12hpi	1.54
			IP_RNase H- (-)_0hpi	0.00
			IP_RNase H- (-)_3hpi	10.17
			IP_RNase H- (-)_6hpi	9.60
			IP_RNase H- (-)_12hpi	2.64
			IP_RNase H- (+)_0hpi	404.40
			IP_RNase H- (+)_3hpi	183.88
			IP_RNase H- (+)_6hpi	486.50
			IP_RNase H- (+)_12hpi	526.25
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_0hpi	0.00
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_3hpi	3.53
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_6hpi	0.00
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_12hpi	0.00
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_0hpi	6.13
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_3hpi	0.00
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_6hpi	0.00
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_12hpi	0.00
Gene	Chromosom	Position (hg38)	Description	Average DRIPc-seq signal
CALM3	chr19	46601330-46610782	Input (-)_0hpi	2.40
			Input (-)_3hpi	2.18
			Input (-)_6hpi	2.26
			Input (-)_12hpi	2.78
			Input (+)_0hpi	2.08
			Input (+)_3hpi	2.78
			Input (+)_6hpi	1.99
			Input (+)_12hpi	2.38
			IP_RNase H- (-)_0hpi	0.00
			IP_RNase H- (-)_3hpi	11.73
			IP_RNase H- (-)_6hpi	5.58
			IP_RNase H- (-)_12hpi	5.22
			IP_RNase H- (+)_0hpi	208.25
			IP_RNase H- (+)_3hpi	182.67
			IP_RNase H- (+)_6hpi	167.98
			IP_RNase H- (+)_12hpi	220.30
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_0hpi	0.00
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_3hpi	2.04
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_6hpi	0.00
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_12hpi	4.84
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_0hpi	13.84
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_3hpi	1.62
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_6hpi	4.37
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_12hpi	3.29
Gene	Chromosom	Position (hg38)	Description	Average DRIPc-seq signal
SNRPN	chr15	24823647-24978582	Input (-)_0hpi	1.75
			Input (-)_3hpi	1.94
			Input (-)_6hpi	1.87
			Input (-)_12hpi	1.84
			Input (+)_0hpi	1.86
			Input (+)_3hpi	1.89
			Input (+)_6hpi	1.81
			Input (+)_12hpi	1.73
			IP_RNase H- (-)_0hpi	0.12
			IP_RNase H- (-)_3hpi	0.00
			IP_RNase H- (-)_6hpi	0.17
			IP_RNase H- (-)_12hpi	0.00
			IP_RNase H- (+)_0hpi	2.43
			IP_RNase H- (+)_3hpi	2.19
			IP_RNase H- (+)_6hpi	2.23
			IP_RNase H- (+)_12hpi	2.36
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_0hpi	2.58
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_3hpi	3.46
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_6hpi	1.62
			IP_RNase H+ (-)_12hpi	1.87
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_0hpi	1.78
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_3hpi	2.38
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_6hpi	1.06
			IP_RNase H+ (+)_12hpi	1.43

S3 Table. Chromosomal position and DRIPc-seq signal for referenced R-loop-positive and –negative

regions in HIV-1 infected Jurkat cells

	gene_symbol	0hpi	3hpi	6hpi	12hpi	48hpi
P1	TOR1AIP2	1	1.163832	1.247899	1.024926	0.619497
P2	DVL1	1	0.781593	0.571348	0.901502	0.270459
P3	PKN2	1	1.280974	1.891552	1.31842	1.515107
N1	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
N2	CDK5RAP1	1	0.73977	0.775	1.143662	0.472377

913 **S4 Table. RNA-seq analysis of relative gene expression levels of P1-3 and N1,2 R-loop regions**

Oligonucleotides	Sequence 5' to 3'	Remark
PCR primer 1.0 P5	AATGATACGGCGACCACCGAGATCTACACTCTTTCCCTACACGA	amplification primer
PCR primer 2.0 P7	CAAGCAGAAGACGGCATACGAGAT	amplification primer
Index Adapter 1	GATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAACTCCAGTCACATCACGATCTCGTATGCCGTCTTCTGCTTG	HeLa 0hpi Input replicate 1
Index Adapter 2	GATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAACTCCAGTCACCGATGTATCTCGTATGCCGTCTTCTGCTTG	HeLa 3hpi Input replicate 1
Index Adapter 3	GATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAACTCCAGTCACTTAGGCATCTCGTATGCCGTCTTCTGCTTG	HeLa 6hpi Input replicate 1
Index Adapter 4	GATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAACTCCAGTCACTGACCAATCTCGTATGCCGTCTTCTGCTTG	HeLa 12hpi Input replicate 1
Index Adapter 5	GATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAACTCCAGTCACACAGTGATCTCGTATGCCGTCTTCTGCTTG	HeLa 0hpi RNH-IP replicate 1
Index Adapter 6	GATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAACTCCAGTCACGCCAATATCTCGTATGCCGTCTTCTGCTTG	HeLa 3hpi RNH-IP replicate 1
Index Adapter 7	GATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAACTCCAGTCACCAGATCATCTCGTATGCCGTCTTCTGCTTG	HeLa 6hpi RNH-IP replicate 1
Index Adapter 8	GATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAACTCCAGTCACACTTGAATCTCGTATGCCGTCTTCTGCTTG	HeLa 12hpi RNH-IP replicate 1
Index Adapter 9	GATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAACTCCAGTCACGATCAGATCTCGTATGCCGTCTTCTGCTTG	HeLa 0hpi RNH+IP replicate 1
Index Adapter 10	GATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAACTCCAGTCACTAGCTTATCTCGTATGCCGTCTTCTGCTTG	HeLa 3hpi RNH+IP replicate 1
Index Adapter 11	GATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAACTCCAGTCACGGCTACATCTCGTATGCCGTCTTCTGCTTG	HeLa 6hpi RNH+IP replicate 1
Index Adapter 12	GATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAACTCCAGTCACCTTGTAATCTCGTATGCCGTCTTCTGCTTG	HeLa 12hpi RNH+IP replicate 1
Index Adapter 28	GATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAACTCCAGTCACCAAAAGATCTCGTATGCCGTCTTCTGCTTG	HeLa 0hpi Input replicate 2
Index Adapter 29	GATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAACTCCAGTCACCAACTAATCTCGTATGCCGTCTTCTGCTTG	HeLa 3hpi Input replicate 2
Index Adapter 30	GATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAACTCCAGTCACCACCGGATCTCGTATGCCGTCTTCTGCTTG	HeLa 6hpi Input replicate 2
Index Adapter 31	GATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAACTCCAGTCACCACGATATCTCGTATGCCGTCTTCTGCTTG	HeLa 12hpi Input replicate 2
Index Adapter 32	GATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAACTCCAGTCACCACTCAATCTCGTATGCCGTCTTCTGCTTG	HeLa 0hpi RNH-IP replicate 2
Index Adapter 33	GATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAACTCCAGTCACCAGGCGATCTCGTATGCCGTCTTCTGCTTG	HeLa 3hpi RNH-IP replicate 2
Index Adapter 34	GATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAACTCCAGTCACCATGGCATCTCGTATGCCGTCTTCTGCTTG	HeLa 6hpi RNH-IP replicate 2
Index Adapter 35	GATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAACTCCAGTCACCATTTATCTCGTATGCCGTCTTCTGCTTG	HeLa 12hpi RNH-IP replicate 2
Index Adapter 36	GATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAACTCCAGTCACCCAACAATCTCGTATGCCGTCTTCTGCTTG	HeLa 0hpi RNH+IP replicate 2
Index Adapter 37	GATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAACTCCAGTCACCGAATATCTCGTATGCCGTCTTCTGCTTG	HeLa 3hpi RNH+IP replicate 2
Index Adapter 38	GATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAACTCCAGTCACCTAGCTATCTCGTATGCCGTCTTCTGCTTG	HeLa 6hpi RNH+IP replicate 2
Index Adapter 39	GATCGGAAGAGCACACGTCTGAACTCCAGTCACCTATACATCTCGTATGCCGTCTTCTGCTTG	HeLa 12hpi RNH+IP replicate 2

916 **S5 Table. Oligonucleotides used for DRIPc-seq library construction**

Oligonucleotides	Sequence 5' to 3'
P1 Fwd	TTATAAGTCAGCCTCCAGGATCAA
P1 Rev	TTCAGGTCTAGGCAGTCTGA
P2 Fwd	GGA CAG ATG ACA GGG TCG C
P2 Rev	ATG AGG AAG ACC CCC TCG G
P3 Fwd	CTCTGTGTAACGCTGGTGCT
P3 Rev	ACACGCTTCTGACCACTAAGG
N1 Fwd	TTG GCC CTA CTG AAT GAT TGG T
N1 Rev	TTA AGG CAT GCT CAG GCG A
N2 Fwd	TGA GAT TTC AGG TTC CAT GAT TTG
N2 Rev	TGC TCA GTG TTC TAA TTT CCC TGT
β-actin Fwd	AGAGCTACGAGCTGCCTGAC
β-actin Rev	AGCACTGTGTTGGCGTACAG
SH49 (ECFP Fwd)	TGGTTTGTCCAAACTCATCAA
SH40 (mAIRN Fwd)	CGAGAGAGGCTAAGGGTGAA
SH21 (ECFP/mAIRN Rev)	ACATGGTCCTGCTGGAGTTC
RT-qPCR P1 (TOR1AIP2) Fwd	CCTTGGTCTTTCCCACTTGAGTG
RT-qPCR P1 (TOR1AIP2) Rev	GCAGGGTTAAAACCAGCTACTCG
RT-qPCR P2 (DVL1) Fwd	GCATAACCGACTCCACCATGTC
RT-qPCR P2 (DVL1) Rev	GATGGAGCCAATGTAGATGCCG
RT-qPCR P3 (PKN2) Fwd	GCATCACCAACACTAAGTCCACG
RT-qPCR P3 (PKN2) Rev	GCTTTTGACCGTCCAGGGACAT
RT-qPCR N2 (CDK5RAP1) Fwd	AGAGTGGAAGCAGCCGTGTGTT
RT-qPCR N2 (CDK5RAP1) Rev	GATCTTCCTCCGTCTCACCACA

918 **S6 Table. Primers used for qPCR**

Oligonucleotides	Sequence 5' to 3'	Remark
AE5316	TGTGACTCTGGTAACTAGAGATCCCTC	First round LTR primer
AE6380	TAGTCCCTTAAGCGGAG-NH2	replicate 1 5dpi Linker short / replicate 1 pgR-poor DOX- Linker short / CD4+ donor 1 Linker short
AE6381	GTAATACGACTCACTATAGGGCCTCCGCTTAAGGGAC	replicate 1 5dpi Linker long / replicate 1 pgR-poor DOX- Linker long / CD4+ donor 1 Linker long
AE6382	CAAGCAGAAGACGGCATACGAGATCGGGTCTCGGCATTCCTGCTGAACCGCTCTTCCGATCTGTAATACGACTCACTATAGGGC	replicate 1 5dpi Linker primer / replicate 1 pgR-poor DOX- Linker primer / CD4+ donor 1 Linker primer
AE6404	AATGATACGGCGACCACCGAGATCTACACTCTTTCCCTACACGACGCTCTTCCGATCTCGATGTGAGATCCCTCAGACCCTTTTAGTCAG	replicate 1 5dpi Second round LTR primer / replicate 1 pgR-poor DOX- Second round LTR primer / CD4+ donor 1 Second round LTR primer
AE6380	TAGTCCCTTAAGCGGAG-NH2	replicate 2 5dpi Linker short / replicate 2 pgR-poor DOX+ Linker short
AE6381	GTAATACGACTCACTATAGGGCCTCCGCTTAAGGGAC	replicate 2 5dpi Linker long / replicate 2 pgR-poor DOX+ Linker long
AE6382	CAAGCAGAAGACGGCATACGAGATCGGGTCTCGGCATTCCTGCTGAACCGCTCTTCCGATCTGTAATACGACTCACTATAGGGC	replicate 2 5dpi Linker primer / replicate 2 pgR-poor DOX+ Linker prime
AE6404-1	AATGATACGGCGACCACCGAGATCTACACTCTTTCCCTACACGACGCTCTTCCGATCTTTAGGCGAGATCCCTCAGACCCTTTTAGTCAG	replicate 2 5dpi Second round LTR primer / replicate 2 pgR-poor DOX+ Second round LTR primer
AE6386	TACTATGACGGTGACGC-NH2	replicate 1 pgR-rich DOX- Linker short / CD4+ donor 2 Linker short
AE6387	GAGAATCCATGAGTAGTGCTCACGCGTCACCGTCATAG	replicate 1 pgR-rich DOX- Linker long / CD4+ donor 2 Linker long
AE6388	CAAGCAGAAGACGGCATACGAGATCGGGTCTCGGCATTCCTGCTGAACCGCTCTTCCGATCTGAGAATCCATGAGTAGTGCTCAC	replicate 1 pgR-rich DOX- Linker primer / CD4+ donor 2 Linker primer
AE6406	AATGATACGGCGACCACCGAGATCTACACTCTTTCCCTACACGACGCTCTTCCGATCTACAGTGGAGATCCCTCAGACCCTTTTAGTCAG	replicate 1 pgR-rich DOX- Second round LTR primer / CD4+ donor 2 Second round LTR primer
AE6456	TAGACTGACGCAGTCTG-NH2	replicate 1 pgR-poor DOX+ Linker short
AE6457	GACGTACATACTGATCGCATAGCAGACTGCGTCAGTC	replicate 1 pgR-poor DOX+ Linker long
AE6458	CAAGCAGAAGACGGCATACGAGATCGGGTCTCGGCATTCCTGCTGAACCGCTCTTCCGATCTGACGTACATACTGATCGCATAG	replicate 1 pgR-poor DOX+ Linker primer
AE6405	AATGATACGGCGACCACCGAGATCTACACTCTTTCCCTACACGACGCTCTTCCGATCTTGACCAGAGATCCCTCAGACCCTTTTAGTCAG	replicate 1 pgR-poor DOX+ Second round LTR primer
AE6386	TACTATGACGGTGACGC-NH2	replicate 2 pgR-rich DOX+ Linker short
AE6387	GAGAATCCATGAGTAGTGCTCACGCGTCACCGTCATAG	replicate 2 pgR-rich DOX+ Linker long
AE6388	CAAGCAGAAGACGGCATACGAGATCGGGTCTCGGCATTCCTGCTGAACCGCTCTTCCGATCTGAGAATCCATGAGTAGTGCTCAC	replicate 2 pgR-rich DOX+ Linker primer
AE6406-1	AATGATACGGCGACCACCGAGATCTACACTCTTTCCCTACACGACGCTCTTCCGATCTGCCAATGAGATCCCTCAGACCCTTTTAGTCAG	replicate 2 pgR-rich DOX+ Second round LTR primer
AE6456	TAGACTGACGCAGTCTG-NH2	replicate 3 pgR-rich DOX- Linker short
AE6457	GACGTACATACTGATCGCATAGCAGACTGCGTCAGTC	replicate 3 pgR-rich DOX- Linker long
AE6458	CAAGCAGAAGACGGCATACGAGATCGGGTCTCGGCATTCCTGCTGAACCGCTCTTCCGATCTGACGTACATACTGATCGCATAG	replicate 3 pgR-rich DOX- Linker primer
AE6411	AATGATACGGCGACCACCGAGATCTACACTCTTTCCCTACACGACGCTCTTCCGATCTAGTTCCGAGATCCCTCAGACCCTTTTAGTCAG	replicate 3 pgR-rich DOX- Second round LTR primer
AE6392	TACTGAGACGTCGATGC-NH2	replicate 1 RNH_mut 5dpi Linker short / replicate 2 RNH_mut 5dpi Linker short
AE6393	GATCATGCGAGATACATCTCAGGCATCGACGTCTCAG	replicate 1 RNH_mut 5dpi Linker long / replicate 2 RNH_mut 5dpi Linker long
AE6394	CAAGCAGAAGACGGCATACGAGATCGGGTCTCGGCATTCCTGCTGAACCGCTCTTCCGATCTGATCATGCGAGATACATCTCAG	replicate 1 RNH_mut 5dpi Linker primer / replicate 2 RNH_mut 5dpi Linker primer
AE6493	AATGATACGGCGACCACCGAGATCTACACTCTTTCCCTACACGACGCTCTTCCGATCTGGCTACGAGATCCCTCAGACCCTTTTAGTCAG	replicate 1 RNH_mut 5dpi Second round LTR primer
AE6493-1	AATGATACGGCGACCACCGAGATCTACACTCTTTCCCTACACGACGCTCTTCCGATCTACTTGAGAGATCCCTCAGACCCTTTTAGTCAG	replicate 2 RNH_mut 5dpi Second round LTR primer
AE6462	TAGTAGTCACCGAGCGTC-NH2	replicate 1 RNH_wt 5dpi Linker short / replicate 2 RNH_wt 5dpi Linker short
AE6463	CAGTTAGACTACACGTTAGACGGACGCCTCGTGACTAC	replicate 1 RNH_wt 5dpi Linker long / replicate 2 RNH_wt 5dpi Linker long
AE6464	CAAGCAGAAGACGGCATACGAGATCGGGTCTCGGCATTCCTGCTGAACCGCTCTTCCGATCTCAGTTAGACTACACGTTAGACG	replicate 1 RNH_wt 5dpi Linker primer / replicate 2 RNH_wt 5dpi Linker primer
AE6492	AATGATACGGCGACCACCGAGATCTACACTCTTTCCCTACACGACGCTCTTCCGATCTAGCTTGAGATCCCTCAGACCCTTTTAGTCAG	replicate 1 RNH_wt 5dpi Second round LTR primer
AE6497	AATGATACGGCGACCACCGAGATCTACACTCTTTCCCTACACGACGCTCTTCCGATCTATCACGGAGATCCCTCAGACCCTTTTAGTCAG	replicate 2 RNH_wt 5dpi Second round LTR primer

S7 Table. Oligonucleotides used for HIV-1 integration site sequencing library construct

Oligonucleotides	Sequence 5' to 3'	Remark
R-loop oligo1*	5'-[Cy3]-GCC AGG GAC GAG GTG AAC CTG CAG GTG GGC GGC TAC TAC TTA GAT GTC ATC CGA GGC TTA TTG GTA GAA TTC GGC AGC GTC ATG C GA CGG C-3'	R-loop, R:D+ssDNA, ssDNA
R-loop oligo2*	5'-GCC GTC GCA TGA CGC TGC CGA ATT CTA CCA CGC GAT TCA TAC CTG TCG TGC CAG CTG CTT TGC CCA CCT GCA GGT TCA CCT CGT CCC TGG C-3'	R-loop, dsDNA
R-loop RNA	5'-[Cy5]-GCA GCU GGC ACG ACA GGU AUG AAU C-3'	R-loop, R:D+ssDNA, ssRNA
Homoduplex	5'-[Cy3]-GCC AGG GAC GAG GTG AAC CTG CAG GTG GGC AAA GCA GCT GGC ACG ACA GGT ATG AAT CGC GTG GTA GAA TTC GGC AGC GTC ATG CGA CGG C-3'	dsDNA
Hybrid DNA	5'-CCC ATA CCG TAT AAC CAT TTG GCT GTC CAA GCT CCG GGT-3'	Hybrid
Hybrid RNA	5'-[Cy5]-ACC CGG AGC UUG GAC AGC CAA AUG GUU AUA CGG UAU GGG-3'	Hybrid
oligo 5	5'GCAGTAGCATGACGCTGCTGAATTCTACCACGCTATGCT CTCGTCTAGGTTCACTCCGT CCCTGCGATTCATACCTGTCGTGCCAGCTGC	R:D+ssDNA

S8 Table. Oligonucleotides used for electrophoretic mobility shift assay substrate preparation

Data	Accession Number/ Website
Jurkat integration site	SRR12322252
TSA-seq_SPAD	SRR3538917, SRR3538918, SRR3538919, SRR3538920
SPIN (Spatial Position Inference of the Nuclear genome) annotation of speckle	https://github.com/ma-compbio/SPIN
LADs	GSE22428

924 **S9 Table. Accession numbers and data sources.**

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