

## Supplementary File

### Exploring the role of Polycomb recruitment in *Xist*-mediated silencing of the X chromosome in ES cells

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<i>Xist</i> mutant	Clone Number	Size of deletion	Deleted region	% of cells with <i>Xist</i> domains	<i>Xist</i> coating	N° of experiments	Total cell counted
<i>Xist</i> FL	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	45 ± 6 %	+++++	3	956
<i>Xist</i> ΔA	n.a.	917 bp	Δ1-917	53 ± 9 %	++++	3	990
<i>Xist</i> ΔF+B+C	1	3,908 bp	Δ890-4796	77 ± 4 %	+++	3	811
	2	3,908 bp	Δ890-4796	n.d.	+++	n.d.	n.a.
<i>Xist</i> ΔF+B	1	2,119 bp	Δ875-2982	76 ± 3 %	+++	3	869
	2	2,130 bp	Δ862-2990	87%	+++	1	272
<i>Xist</i> ΔB+C	1	2,109 bp	Δ2,703-4810	60 ± 8 %	+++++	3	952
	2	2,049 bp	Δ2,699-4744 (+ 45 bp insertion)	7%	+++++	1	269
<i>Xist</i> ΔB+1/2C*	1	1,383 bp	Δ2,703-4,084	60 ± 3 %	+++++	3	921
	2	454 bp & 810 bp	Δ2,705-3,158 & Δ3,558-4,367	52%	+++++	1	298
<i>Xist</i> ΔB	1	335 bp	Δ2,707-3,041	67 ± 4 %	+++++	3	978
	2	337 bp	Δ2,705-3,041	44%	+++++	1	365
<i>Xist</i> ΔC	1	1,716 bp	Δ3,041-4,752	71 ± 2 %	+++++	3	863
	2	1,716 bp	Δ3,041-4,752	34%	+++++	1	298

**Figure 1 - source data 1 – Full set of *Xist*-TetOP mutants generated**

Summary table of the analysis of full set of the *Xist*-TetOP mutants generated (including the second clone per type of mutation) in terms of: deletion size, coordinates of the deleted regions (based on Ensembl *Xist* exonic sequence); number of cells with *Xist* domains (in % ± S.E.M.) and capacity of *Xist* coating (+++++ indicates *Xist* cloud signals similar to *Xist* FL; ++++ and +++ indicate *Xist* cloud signals of decreased size compared to *Xist* FL); n.d. – not done; n. a. – not applied; \* To generate *Xist* ΔB+1/2C mutants, we use a 3'end gRNA which recognized a unique region within repeat C, however, several other sequences with only 1 or 2 mismatched can be found within this repeat and were likely to be targeted, creating distinct deletions as can be seen for the two clones of this type of mutant.

<i>Xist</i> mutant	Clone	JARID2	EZH2	H3K27me3	RING1B	H2AK119ub
<i>Xist</i> FL	n.a.	88 ± 4 % (4 exp, n = 275)	85 ± 7 % (3 exp, n = 242)	92 ± 7 % (3 exp, n = 248)	48 ± 14 % (4 exp, n = 313)	96 ± 1 % (3 exp, n = 223)
<i>Xist</i> ΔA	n.a.	78 ± 4 % (3 exp, n = 261)	78 ± 11 % (3 exp, n = 243)	97 ± 2 % (3 exp, n = 228)	50 ± 10 % (4 exp, n = 302)	97 ± 2 % (3 exp, n = 269)
<i>Xist</i> ΔF+B+C	1	1 ± 1 % (3 exp, n = 257)	1 ± 1 % (3 exp, n = 232)	3 ± 2 % (3 exp, n = 236)	0 ± 0 % (2 exp, n = 143)	1 ± 0 % (3 exp, n = 227)
	2	n.d.	n.d.	0% (1 exp, n = 85)	n.d.	2% (1 exp, n = 83)
<i>Xist</i> ΔF+B	1	1 ± 1 % (2 exp, n = 204)	2 ± 2 % (2 exp, n = 180)	18 ± 15 % (2 exp, n = 198)	0 ± 0 % (3 exp, n = 218)	28 ± 7 % (2 exp, n = 154)
	2	14% (1 exp, n = 93)	18% (1 exp, n = 180)	32% (1 exp, n = 66)	0% (1 exp, n = 57)	32% (1 exp, n = 57)
<i>Xist</i> ΔB+C	1	0 ± 0 % (3 exp, n = 237)	0 ± 0 % (3 exp, n = 216)	1 ± 0 % (3 exp, n = 208)	0 ± 0 % (4 exp, n = 292)	1 ± 1 % (2 exp, n = 181)
	2	0% (1 exp, n = 68)	0% (1 exp, n = 63)	5% (1 exp, n = 63)	0 ± 0 % (2 exp, n = 98)	3% (1 exp, n = 65)
<i>Xist</i> ΔB+1/2C	1	0 ± 0 % (2 exp, n = 202)	0 ± 0 % (2 exp, n = 165)	5 ± 0 % (2 exp, n = 182)	0% (1 exp, n = 54)	17 ± 2 % (3 exp, n = 262)
	2	1% (1 exp, n = 87)	n.d.	5% (1 exp, n = 63)	0% (1 exp, n = 100)	14% (1 exp, n = 100)
<i>Xist</i> ΔB	1	6 ± 3 % (3 exp, n = 265)	18 ± 5 % (3 exp, n = 270)	49 ± 7 % (3 exp, n = 240)	1 ± 1 % (3 exp, n = 217)	61 ± 8 % (3 exp, n = 257)
	2	n.d.	n.d.	38% (1 exp, n = 90)	n.d.	63 ± 16 % (2 exp, n = 93)
<i>Xist</i> ΔC	1	89 ± 4 % (3 exp, n = 255)	81 ± 9% (2 exp, n = 172)	78 ± 2 % (3 exp, n = 195)	37 ± 4 % (3 exp, n = 240)	99 ± 0 % (3 exp, n = 288)
	2	89% (1 exp, n = 72)	n.d.	65% (1 exp, n = 63)	n.d.	97% (1 exp, n = 72)

**Figure 1 - source data 2 - Summary table of IF/*Xist* RNA FISH experiments in the full set of *Xist*-TetOP mutants generated**

The table displays the percentage (± S.E.M.) of *Xist*-coated chromosomes exhibiting enrichment of the PcG proteins (JARID2, EZH2 and RING1B) and histone marks (H3K27me3 and H2AK119ub); a minimum of 50 *Xist*-coated chromosomes were counted per experiment (exp); n – number of cells counted in at least one or more biological replicates; n.a. – not applied; n.d. – not done.

**Figure 2 - source data 1 – Full list of ChIRP-MS peptide counts for *Xist* FL (noDOX and DOX) and *Xist*  $\Delta$ B+C (DOX) – supplementary excel file**

Sheet 1 – Selection of peptide counts for the 81 *Xist* hits [according to (Chu et al., 2015)] found in *Xist* FL and *Xist*  $\Delta$ B+C interactome (with a minimum of 2.5 DOX/noDOX fold-change in *Xist* FL or *Xist*  $\Delta$ B+C; Weakly annotated protein isoforms with an Annotation score in UniprotKB < 3 (out of 5) were excluded.

Sheet 2 – Filtered list of total number of peptides counts for in *Xist* FL (noDOX and DOX) and *Xist*  $\Delta$ B+C; In this list, only peptides with a minimum of 2.5 DOX/noDOX fold-change in *Xist* FL were selected; Weakly annotated protein isoforms with an Annotation score in UniprotKB < 3 (out of 5) were excluded; this was the case of two poorly annotated isoforms of hnRNPK: tr|Q3TL71, less bound to *Xist*  $\Delta$ B+C and tr|Q3U6X2, equally bound to *Xist* FL and  $\Delta$ B+C.

Sheet 3 – Total number of peptide counts in *Xist* FL (noDOX and DOX) and *Xist*  $\Delta$ B+C (DOX).

<i>Xist</i> mutant	Clone Number	<i>Lamp2</i> (D2)	<i>Pgk1</i> (D2)	<i>Pgk1</i> (D4)	<i>Rnf12</i> (D4)
<i>Xist</i> FL (noDOX)	n.a.	58 ± 9% (2 exp, n = 245)	53 ± 7% (3 exp, n = 308)	68 ± 8% (2 exp, n = 353)	73% (1 exp, n = 106)
<i>Xist</i> FL	n.a.	10 ± 1 % (3 exp, n = 345)	9 ± 3% (3 exp, n = 375)	11 ± 2 % (4 exp, n = 363)	19 ± 9 % (2 exp, n = 211)
<i>Xist</i> ΔA	n.a.	75 ± 2 % (3 exp, n = 344)	68 ± 6% (3 exp, n = 352)	64 ± 7 % (3 exp, n = 332)	85 ± 5 % (2 exp, n = 228)
<i>Xist</i> ΔF+B+C	1	21 ± 1 % (3 exp, n = 351)	15 ± 1% (2 exp, n = 246)	14 ± 2 % (3 exp, n = 353)	n.d.
	2	10% (1 exp, n = 81)	n.d.	n.d.	n.d.
<i>Xist</i> ΔF+B	1	5% (1 exp, n = 107)	12 ± 2 % (2 exp, n = 216)	21 ± 8 % (3 exp, n = 327)	23 ± 4 % (2 exp, n = 210)
	2	n.d.	n.d.	9% (1 exp, n = 111)	12% (1 exp, n = 105)
<i>Xist</i> ΔB+C	1	17 ± 1 % (3 exp, n = 331)	11 ± 1 % (3 exp, n = 367)	17 ± 4 % (4 exp, n = 377)	17% (1 exp, n = 97)
	2	20% (1 exp, n = 66)	16% (1 exp, n = 64)	n.d.	n.d.
<i>Xist</i> ΔB+1/2C	1	18% (1 exp, n = 99)	11 ± 2% (2 exp, n = 260)	19 ± 1 % (2 exp, n = 246)	5% (1 exp, n = 111)
	2	n.d.	n.d.	6% (1 exp, n = 112)	n.d.
<i>Xist</i> ΔB	1	13 ± 1% (3 exp, n = 330)	11 ± 1% (2 exp, n = 220)	14 ± 1 % (2 exp, n = 205)	n.d.
	2	n.d.	n.d.	23% (1 exp, n = 93)	n.d.
<i>Xist</i> ΔC	1	8 ± 2% (3 exp, n = 292)	5 ± 2 % (2 exp, n = 198)	5 ± 1 % (2 exp, n = 327)	n.d.
	2	n.d.	0% (1 exp, n = 59)	n.d.	n.d.

**Figure 4 - source data 1 - Summary table of combined *Xist* with X-linked nascent-transcript RNA FISH for *Pgk1*, *Lamp2* and *Rnf12* in the full set of *Xist*-TetOP mutants**

The table displays the percentage (± S.E.M.) of *Xist*-coated chromosomes exhibiting an active *Pgk1* (at D2 and D4), *Lamp2* (at D2) and *Rnf12* gene (at D4); a minimum of 50 *Xist*-coated chromosomes were counted per experiment (exp); for *Xist* FL noDOX a minimum of 100 cells (which do not have *Xist*-coated chromosome) were counted; n – number of cells counted in at least one or more biological replicate (exp); n.d. – not done; n.a. – not applied.

<i>Xist</i> mutants	5'end /3'end sgRNAs	Primers to confirm deletion (F/R)	Primers to confirm loss of WT sequence (F/R)
<i>Xist</i> $\Delta$ F+B+C	TCACGCAGAAGCCATAATGG/ CTTGAGAGATGATACCTCCA	CTGCTGATCGTTTGGTGCTG/ CAGACCTGTGTTTGCCCTT	CTGCTGATCGTTTGGTGCTG/ ATCAAGGCGAATCCCGCAAC
<i>Xist</i> $\Delta$ F+B	TCACGCAGAAGCCATAATGG/ AGGGCTGGACTGGATTGGGT	TGGTGCTGTGTGAGTGAACC/ TTAGCACTGAATCAATGAAGA	CTGCTGATCGTTTGGTGCTG/ ATCAAGGCGAATCCCGCAAC
<i>Xist</i> $\Delta$ B+C	TATAACAGTAAGTCTGATAG/ GTGTATCTTGATTAACATGA	ATGACTGGATGTCAGGAGTA/ CAGACCTGTGTTTGCCCTT	ATGACTGGATGTCAGGAGTA/ CTGAGTCTTGAGGAGAATCT
<i>Xist</i> $\Delta$ B+1/2C	TATAACAGTAAGTCTGATAG/ CATACTGACTTCTAGAGTCA*	ATGACTGGATGTCAGGAGTA/ CAGACCTGTGTTTGCCCTT	ATGACTGGATGTCAGGAGTA/ CTGAGTCTTGAGGAGAATCT
<i>Xist</i> $\Delta$ B	TATAACAGTAAGTCTGATAG/ CTCTAAGTAGAAGTGGGCTT	ATGACTGGATGTCAGGAGTA/ TTAGCACTGAATCAATGAAGA	ATGACTGGATGTCAGGAGTA/ CTGAGTCTTGAGGAGAATCT
<i>Xist</i> $\Delta$ C	CTCTAAGTAGAAGTGGGCTT/ GTGTATCTTGATTAACATGA	CCAGGCCAGATACTTTCAG/ CAGACCTGTGTTTGCCCTT	TCCATGGACAAGTAAACAAAGAA/ TGTTTGCCCTTTGCTAAAT

**Supplementary File 1 – List of gRNA sequences and primers used for *CRISPR/Cas9* editing of the different *Xist*-TetOP mutants**

Primer sequences to confirm deletion and loss of wild-type (WT) allele are displayed for each *Xist* mutant; \* highlights for the fact that the 3'end gRNA used to generate  $\Delta$ B+1/2C was designed to a unique region within the repeat C, but several sequences with only 1 or 2 mismatched can be found within this repeat and are likely to be targeted to generate different types of  $\Delta$ B+1/2C mutants.

<b>RT-PCR analysis</b>	Sequences (F/R)
<i>Xist</i> exon 1-exon 3	GCTGGTTCGTCTATCTTGTGGG / CAGAGTAGCGAGGACTTGAAGAG
<i>Xist</i> before repeat B	ATGACTGGATGTCAGGAGTA / CTGAGTCTTGAGGAGAATCT
<i>Xist</i> before repeat C	TCCATGGACAAGTAAACAAAGAA / TGTTTGCCCTTTGCTAAAT
<i>Gapdh</i>	AACTTTGGCATTGTGGAAGG / ACACATTGGGGGTAGGAACA

**Supplementary File 2- Primer sequences for RT-PCR analysis of *Xist* mutants (used in Figure 1 – supplement figure 1B)**

**Figure 1 - figure supplement 1 – Characterization of the novel *Xist*-TetOP mutants**

- A. Deletion mapping by Sanger sequencing and expression analysis across deleted region in the novel *Xist*  $\Delta F+B+C$ ,  $\Delta B+F$ ,  $\Delta B+C$ ,  $\Delta B+1/2C$ ,  $\Delta B$  and  $\Delta C$  mutants (this analysis is for clone 1 of each mutant type); red arrows indicate forward primer and green arrows represent reverse primers; the primer of the left is the sequenced primer for each mutant; B means PCR blank.
- B. RT-PCR analysis of the splicing pattern and expression across the repeat B and C regions of the different *Xist*-TetOP mutants; Primer pairs indicated in the scheme in green (see Materials and Methods); B means PCR blank.
- C. *Xist* RNA FISH analysis upon D4 of differentiation in the presence of DOX (also noDOX for *Xist* FL) in the *Xist*  $\Delta F+B+C$ ,  $\Delta B+F$ ,  $\Delta B+C$ ,  $\Delta B+1/2C$ ,  $\Delta B$  and  $\Delta C$  mutants (this analysis is for clone 1 of each mutant type); values represent the %  $\pm$  standard error (S.E.M.) of cells with a *Xist*-coated chromosome (at least 3 biological replicates with a minimum of 250 cells counted per replicate); Scale bar: 10  $\mu$ m.

**Figure 1 - figure supplement 2 – Recruitment of a PRC2 member (EZH2), a PRC2 co-factor (JARID2) and PRC1 member (RING1B) in the different *Xist*-TetOP mutants**

- A. Representative images of combined IF for JARID2 (green) with RNA FISH for *Xist* (red) in *Xist*-TetOP lines (for clone 1 of each mutant type) upon D2 in the presence of DOX; DAPI in blue.
- B. Representative images of combined IF for RING1B (green) with RNA FISH for *Xist* (red) in *Xist*-TetOP lines (for clone 1 of each mutant type) upon D2 in the presence of DOX; DAPI in blue; Scale bar: 10  $\mu$ m.
- C. Graph representing the % of *Xist*-coated chromosomes enriched for JARID2, EZH2 and RING1B in the different *Xist*-TetOP mutants (for clone 1 of each mutant type) from 2-to-4 independent experiments. A minimum of 50 *Xist*-coated chromosomes were counted per experiment. Significant differences from unpaired Student's *t*-test, comparing mutants to *Xist* FL are indicated as \* p-value < 0.05.

**Figure 2 - figure supplement 1 – Quality check of ChIRP procedure in *Xist* FL and *Xist*  $\Delta B+C$  cells**



- A. RT-qPCR with three primer pairs along *Xist* to evaluate RNA retrieval after ChIRP procedure for *Xist* FL (in noDOX and DOX conditions) and *Xist*  $\Delta$ B+C (DOX) at D3.
- B. Table showing the percentage of cells exhibiting a *Xist*-coated X chromosome for *Xist* FL (both noDOX and DOX) and *Xist*  $\Delta$ B+C (DOX) as determined by *Xist* RNA FISH used for ChIRP-MS; A minimum of 500 cells were counted.
- C. Blot visualized with Coomassie blue staining showing the band pattern of proteins displayed by *Xist* FL (both noDOX and DOX) and *Xist*  $\Delta$ B+C (DOX) after ChIRP.

**Figure 3 - figure supplement 1 – nChIP-seq confirms residual enrichment of H3K27me3 and H2AK119ub marks at X-linked active genes**

- A. Normalized signal of H3K27me3 and H2AK119ub around *HoxC* cluster; shown is the signal of each sample around these cluster, normalized by the size of the library.
- B. Barplot representing percentages of H3K27me3 and H2AK119ub reads mapping on X chromosome (chrX) in each sample.
- C. Violin plots quantifying H3K27me3 and H2AK119ub enrichment over intergenic regions, active promoters and active gene bodies on X chromosome and on autosomes in *Xist* FL and *Xist*  $\Delta$ B+C cell lines upon DOX induction at day of differentiation; Shown is the calculated log<sub>2</sub> fold change of DOX vs noDOX conditions; n = indicates the number of genes analyzed; p-values were calculated using unilateral Wilcoxon test, comparing X chromosome (chrX) and autosomal enrichment of PcG marks for each genomic region.

**Figure 3 - figure supplement 2 – Normalization of H3K27me3 and H2AK119ub enrichment over the X chromosome in *Xist* FL and *Xist*  $\Delta$ B+C based on *Xist* induction levels**

- A. Table showing the percentage of cells exhibiting a *Xist*-coated X chromosome (chrX) for the different duplicates of *Xist* FL and *Xist*  $\Delta$ B+C in DOX and noDOX conditions as determined by *Xist* RNA FISH; A minimum of 500 cells were counted to calculate the percentage of cells with a *Xist*-coated chrX.
- B. Violin plots quantifying H3K27me3 and H2AK119ub enrichment over intergenic regions, active promoters and gene bodies on chrX in *Xist* FL and *Xist*  $\Delta$ B+C upon DOX induction at day 2 of differentiation after normalization for the percentage of

cells with *Xist*-coated chromosomes. Shown is the log<sub>2</sub> fold change of DOX vs noDOX conditions; n = indicates the number of genes analyzed; p-values were calculated using paired Wilcoxon test, comparing *Xist* FL and *Xist* ΔB+C cell lines.

**Figure 4 - figure supplement 1 –Assessment of transcriptional changes by RNA-seq in *Xist* FL, *Xist* ΔA and *Xist* ΔB+C induced cells**

- A. Genome browsers plots showing RNA-seq reads on *Xist/Tsix* genes for *Xist* FL, *Xist* ΔA and *Xist* ΔB+C mutants in DOX and noDOX conditions at D2 of differentiation; yellow boxes display the deleted regions in both *Xist* ΔA and *Xist* ΔB+C.
- B. Barplot representing percentages of RNA-seq reads mapping on X-chromosome (chrX) in each sample.
- C. Table showing the percentage of cells exhibiting an *Xist*-coated chrX for the different duplicates of *Xist* FL, *Xist* ΔA and *Xist* ΔB+C in DOX and noDOX conditions as determined by *Xist* RNA FISH; at least 500 cells were counted to estimate the percentage of cells with a *Xist*-coated chrX.
- D. Violin plots displaying the average log<sub>2</sub>(fold-change) in gene expression between DOX and noDOX conditions on chrX and autosomes in *Xist* FL, *Xist* ΔA and *Xist* ΔB+C at D2 after normalization for the percentage of cells with a *Xist*-coated chrX; n = indicates the number of genes analyzed; p-values for chrX were calculated using paired Wilcoxon test; n = indicates the number of genes analyzed.
- E. Plots displays the comparison of log<sub>2</sub>(fold-change) in X-linked gene silencing upon DOX induction between *Xist* FL and *Xist* ΔB+C at D2 of differentiation; Limma *t*-test did not find any gene differentially expressed between *Xist* FL and *Xist* ΔB+C.
- F. Boxplots displaying the normalized read enrichment at promoters for H3K27me<sub>3</sub> and H2AK119ub upon DOX induction for distinct categories of X-linked genes with different degrees of gene silencing between DOX and noDOX conditions in both *Xist* FL and *Xist* ΔB+C at D2; p-values were calculated using Wilcoxon test; numbers inside the boxplots indicate the number of genes analyzed.
- G. Boxplots displaying H3K27me<sub>3</sub> and H2AK119ub normalized enrichment levels at promoters upon induction in two categories of X-linked genes: with no or little accumulation versus with accumulation of these PcG marks in induced *Xist* ΔB+C cells; p-values were calculated using Wilcoxon test; n = indicates the number of genes analyzed

H. CpG content in promoters of X-linked genes with no or little accumulation versus with accumulation of PcG marks in induced *Xist*  $\Delta$ B+C cells; p-values were calculated using Wilcoxon test; Numbers inside the boxplots indicate the number of genes analyzed.

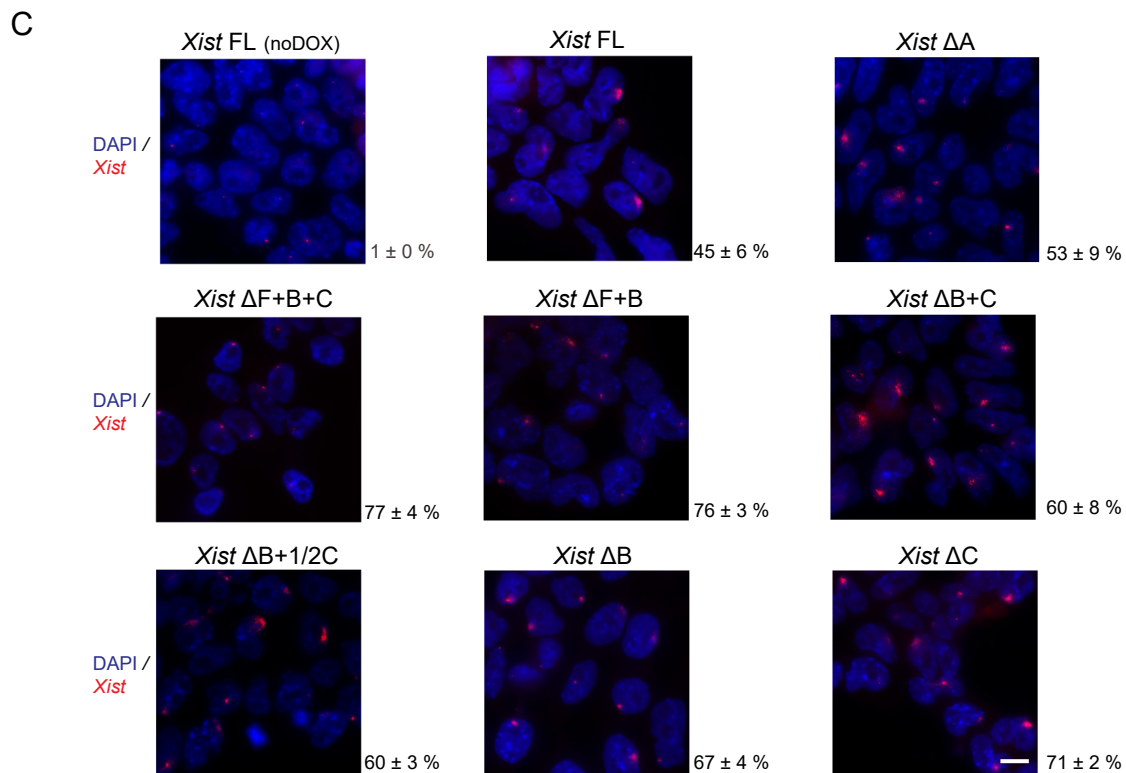
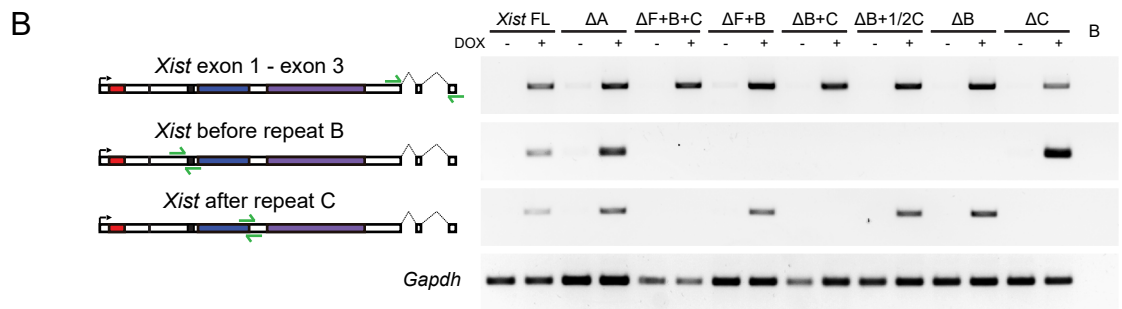
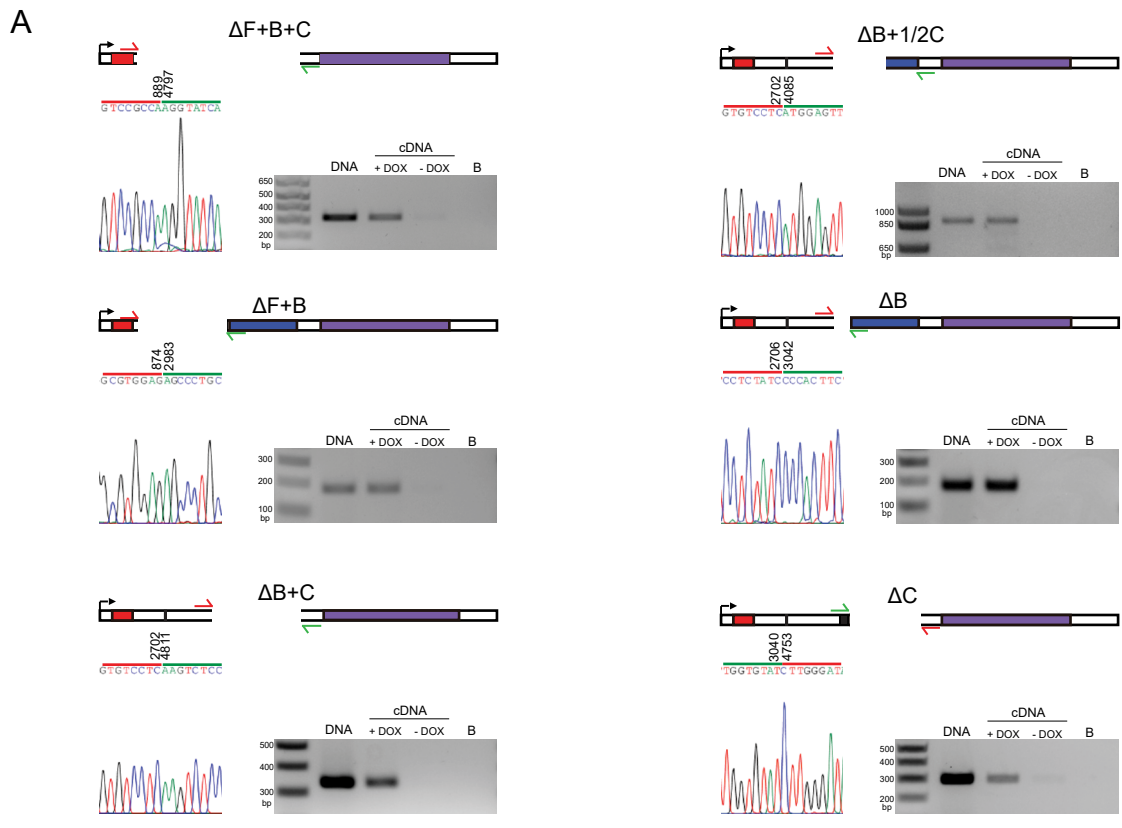


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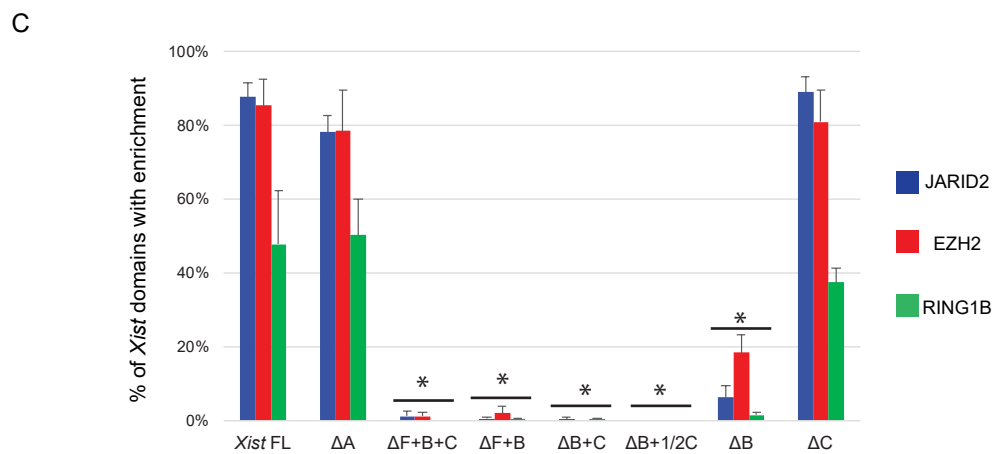
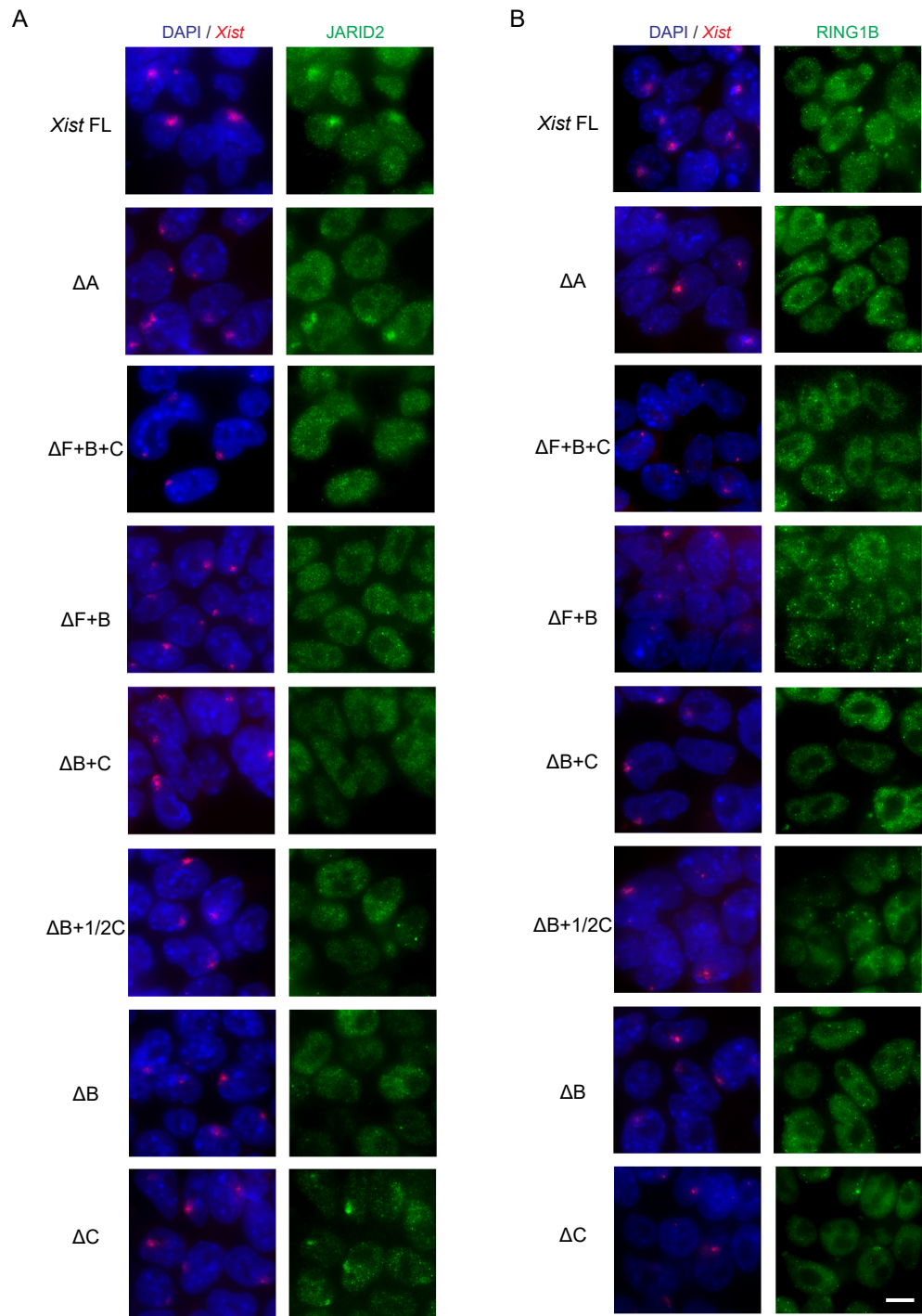


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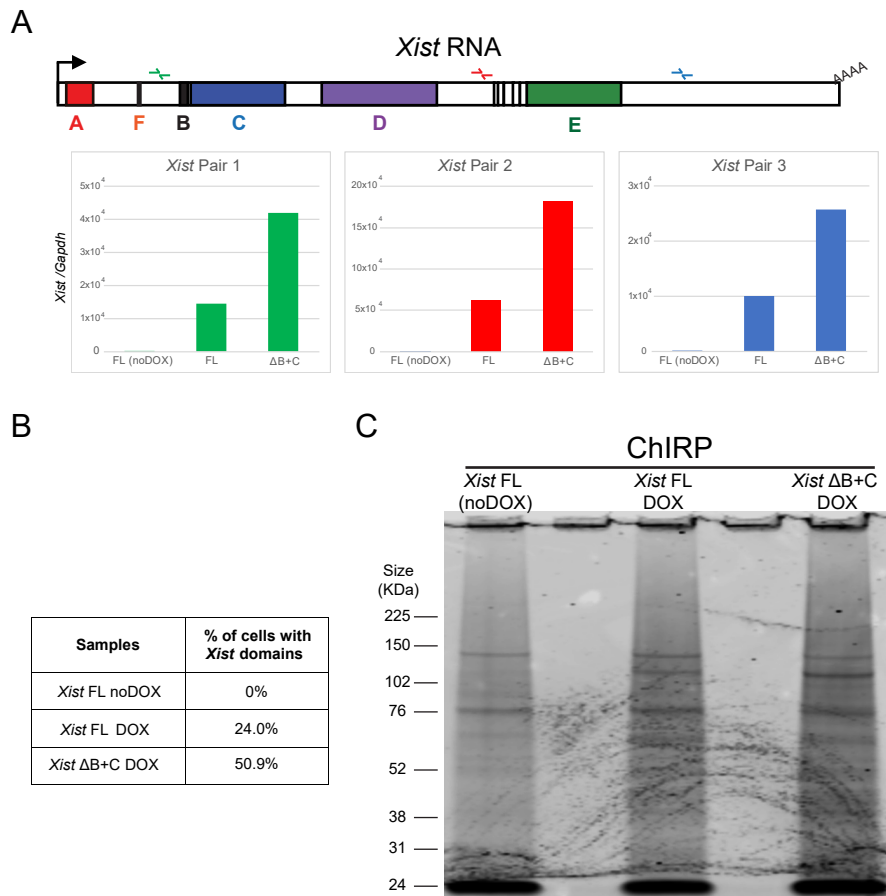


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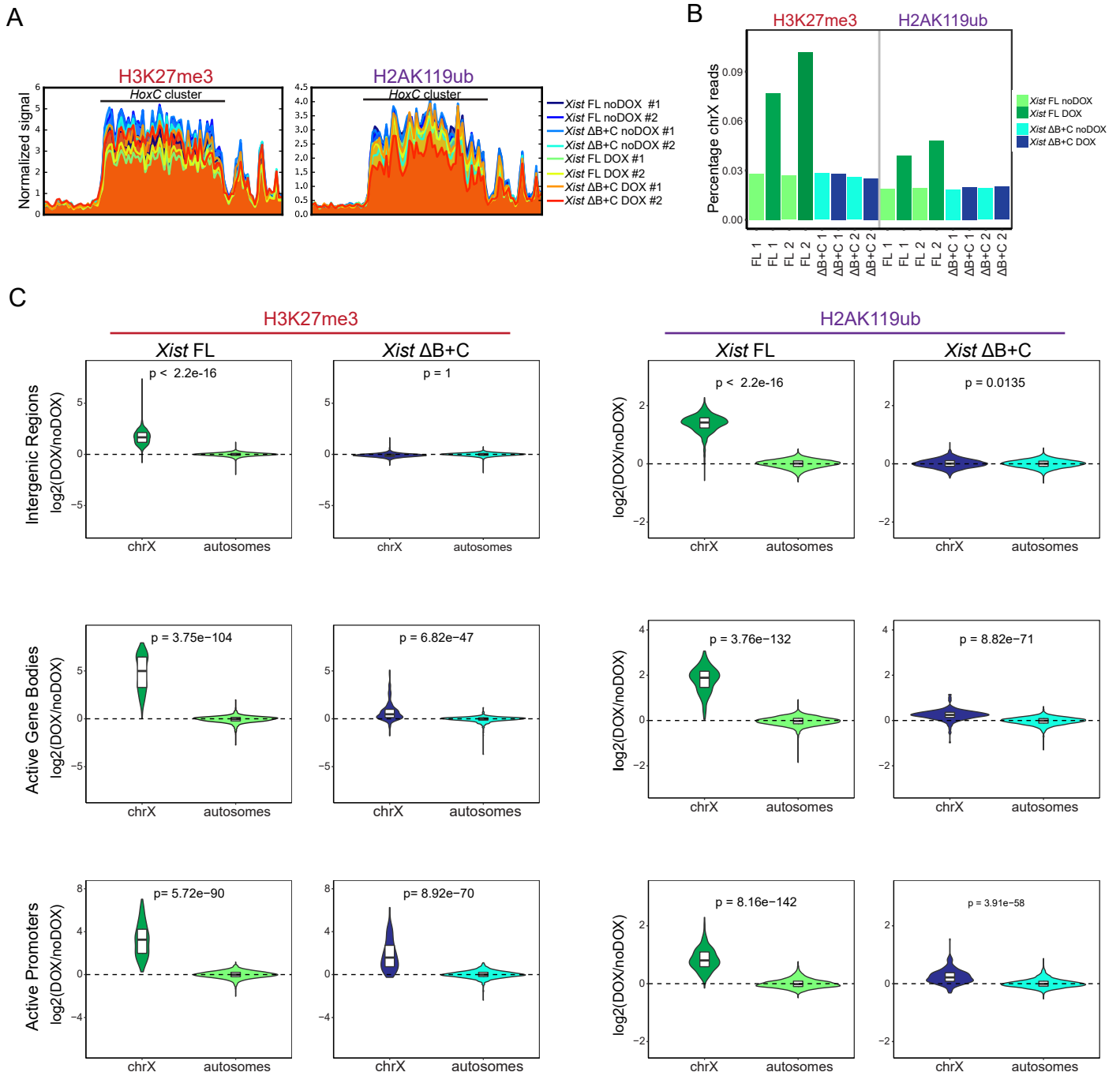


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A

Samples	% of cells with <i>Xist</i> domains
<i>Xist</i> FL noDOX #1	0%
<i>Xist</i> FL noDOX #2	0%
<i>Xist</i> FL DOX #1	46.6%
<i>Xist</i> FL DOX #2	59.6%
<i>Xist</i> ΔB+C noDOX #1	0%
<i>Xist</i> ΔB+C noDOX #2	0%
<i>Xist</i> ΔB+C DOX #1	66.3%
<i>Xist</i> ΔB+C DOX #2	56.3%

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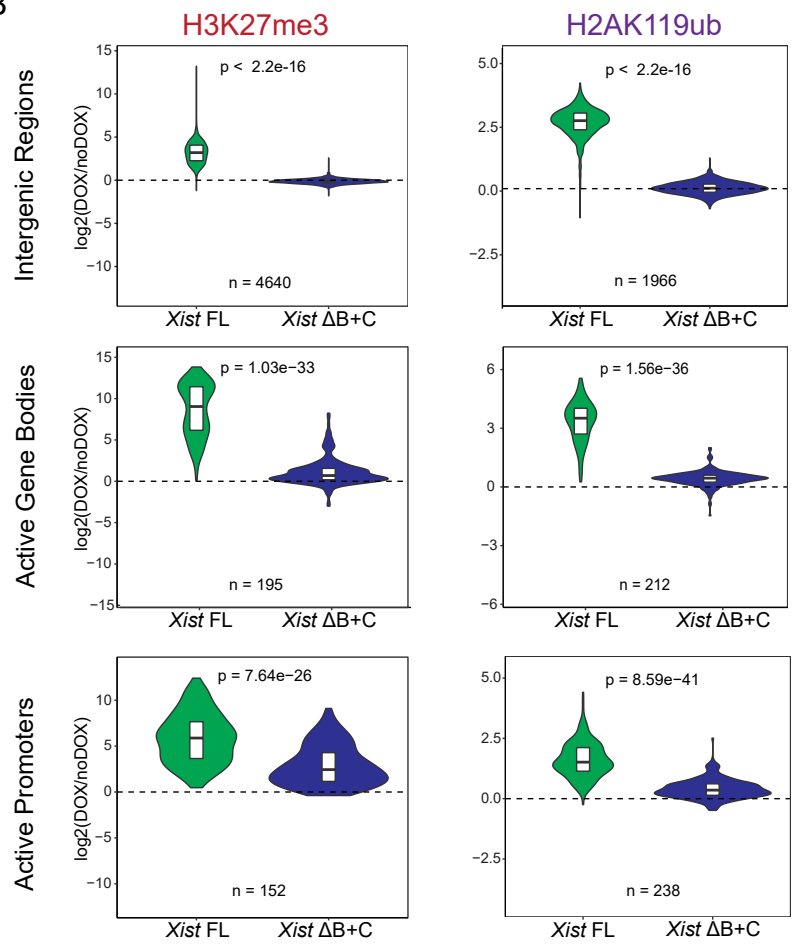


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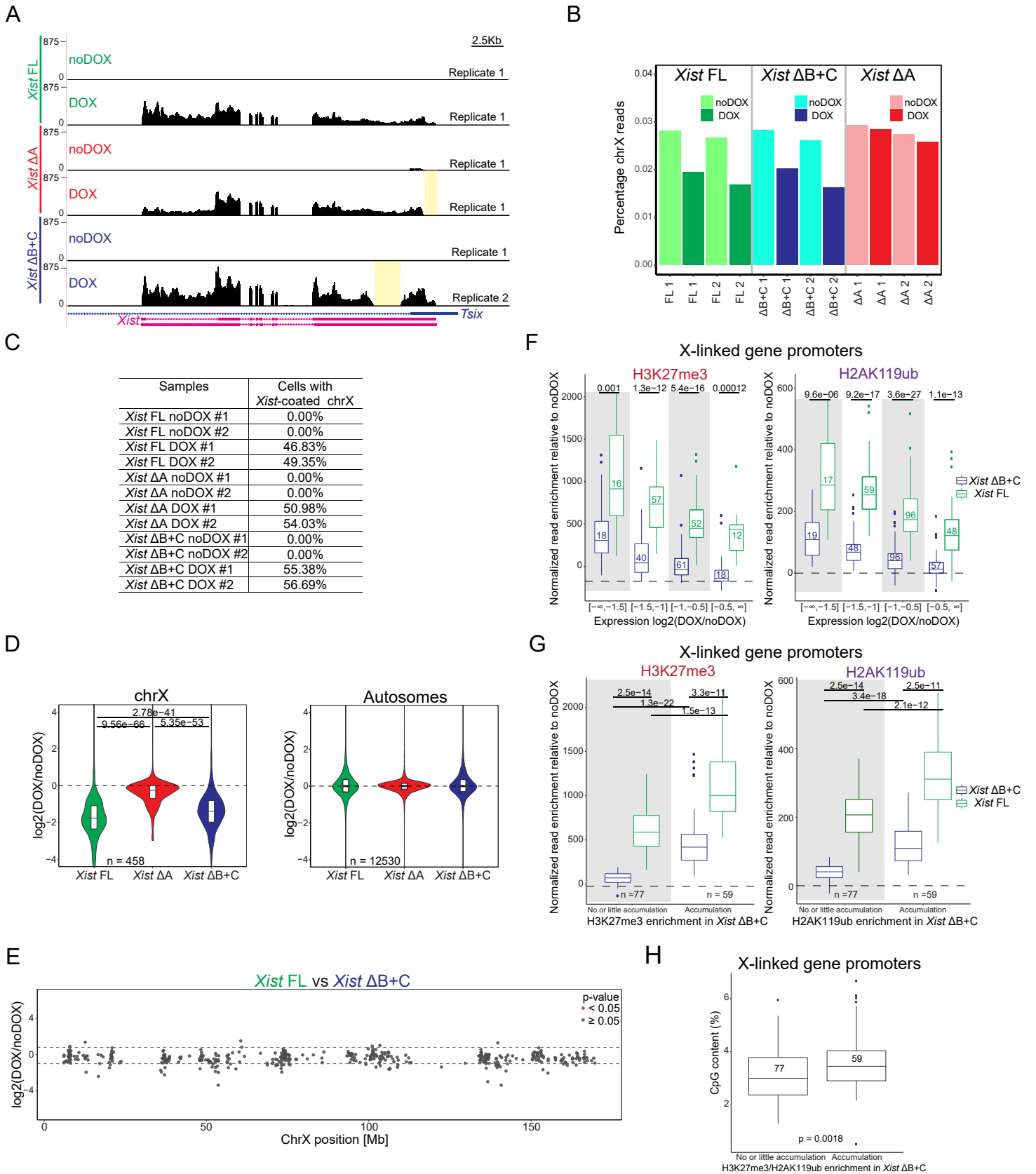


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