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Chromatin modifications, reshuffling and restructuring

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DNA Packaging: Nucleosomes and Chromatin



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Histone complex



H1

H2A H2B

H4

H3

Histone variants in plants

Arabidopsis thaliana histone-coding genes

| Histone H3 | Gene | Histone H4 | | Histone H2A | | Histone H2B | |
|------------|------------------|------------|-----------|-------------|------------------|-------------|------------------|
| Histone H3 | | H4 | At3g46320 | H2A.1 | At5g54640, HTA1 | H2B.1 | At1g07790, HTB1 |
| H3.1 | At5g65360, HTR1 | | At5g59690 | H2A.2 | At4g27230, HTA2 | H2B.2 | At5g22880, HTB2 |
| | At1g09200, HTR2 | | At2g28740 | H2A.10 | At1g51060, HTA10 | H2B.3 | At2g28720, HTB3 |
| | At3g27360, HTR3 | | At1g07820 | H2A.13 | At3g20670, HTA13 | H2B.4 | At5g59910, HTB4 |
| | At5g10400, HTR9 | | At3g53730 | H2A.X.3 | At1g54690, HTA3 | H2B.5 | At2g37470, HTB5 |
| | At5g10390, HTR13 | | At5g59970 | H2A.X.5 | At1g08880, HTA5 | H2B.6 | At3g53650, HTB6 |
| H3.3 | At4g40030, HTR4 | | At3g45930 | H2A.W.6 | At5g59870, HTA6 | H2B.7 | At3g09480, HTB7 |
| | At4g40040, HTR5 | | At1g07660 | H2A.W.7 | At5g27670, HTA7 | H2B.8 | At1g08170, HTB8 |
| | At5g10980, HTR8 | | | H2A.W.12 | At5g02560, HTA12 | H2B.9 | At3g45980, HTB9 |
| H3.6 | At1g13370, HTR6 | | | H2A.Z.4 | At4g13570, HTA4 | H2B.10 | At5g02570, HTB10 |
| H3.7 | At1g75610, HTR7 | | | H2A.Z.8 | At2g38810, HTA8 | H2B.11 | At3g46030, HTB11 |
| H3.10 | At1g19890, HTR10 | | | H2A.Z.9 | At1g52740, HTA9 | | |
| H3.11 | At5g65350, HTR11 | | | H2A.Z.11 | At3g54560, HTA11 | | |
| CenH3 | At1g01370, HTR12 | | | | | | |
| H3.14 | At1g75600, HTR14 | | | | | | |
| H3.15 | At5g12910, HTR15 | | | | | | |

Replicative/canonical: expressed during S-phase and deposited during DNA replication in a DNA-synthesis-dependent manner

Replacement: expressed throughout the cell-cycle and are deposited in a DNA-synthesis-independent manner

Three main H3 variants: H3.1, H3.3 & CenH3







Nucleosomes at the centromere incorporate an H3 variant called CENH3 that is *necessary* for centromere maintenance

Deposition of H3 variants by histone chaperones

ASF: Anti Silencing Factor ASF1a/I DEK3 NASP: Nuclear Autoantigenic Sperm Protein ? **TRX** NASP ? ? CenH3-H4 \sim H3.3-H4 H3.1-H4 HIRA: Histone Regualtor A HIRA **UBN: Ubinuclein** CAF-1 UBN **CABIN: CalcIneurin Binding Protein** FAS1 HIRA FAS2 CABIN MSI1 CAF-1: Chromatin assembly factor 1 FAS: Fasciata MSI: Multicopy Suppressor of IRA

Histone H2A variants



Kawashima et al. 2015

Biswas et al. 2011, PLOS Comp. Biol.

Nucleosome array compaction

H2A.Z and expression patterning



Coleman-Derr & Zilberman, 2012

H2A.Z and expression patterning



H2A.Z regulates the responsiveness of heat stress induced genes



H2A.Z in plant development and stress responses



Remodelling of chromatin by SWR1



The histone variant H2A.Z promotes transcription and is swapped into the nucleosome by the SWR1/SRCAP complex.

H2A.Z deposition by SWR1 complex



Remodelling of chromatin by SWR1



Remodelers use energy to move/alter histone octamers



Clapier and Cairns 2009. Annu. Rev. Biochem.

Post-translational modifications of histones



Histone modifications in plants



Histone modification affects chromatin structure



Closed configuration

| ЦЭ | Ме | Me P | | |
|----|----|---------|--|--|
| пэ | K9 | K27 S28 | | |



Writers, erasers and readers



Acetylation of histone lysine is associated to transcription



Transcriptional regulation by histone acetylation





Importance of histone acetylation for plant immunity



Phytophthora sojae

SAGA Spt–Ada–Gcn5 Acetyltransferase

acetyltransferase

suppression H3K9 acetylation



Histone methylation



Arginine and Lysine methylation



Effect of histone methylation



Mum & Shi 2017, Nature Rev. Mol. Cell Biol.



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H3K27me3 is associated with genes



H3K27me3 in Arabidopsis is present within the gene-rich region, not the repeat-rich region.

H3K27me3 methylation by Polycomb Repressive Complex 2



Plants make multiple PRC2 complexes with different targets



LHP1 co-localizes with H3K27me3



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In plants LHP1 maintains H3K27me3



Maintenance of silenced state of FLC after vernalization!!!

Control of flowering by epigenetic reprogramming

Resetting *FLC* expression:

Silenced during gamete formation Reactivated during fertilization or early embryogenesis SWR1 incorporates H2A.Z variant



FLC expression:

H4 acetylation, H3K4me, H3K36me, H2A.Z incorporation

FLC silencing

Expression of the VRN3 gene (part of VRN2-PRC2 complex) Activating marks removed Silencing marks (H3K9me, H3K27me3) added

FLC maintained silenced: Association with LHP1

FT is expressed Flowering is induced

Histone Ubiquination



Ueda and Seki 2020, Plant Phys



