



# RNA-binding protein sequence specificity: experiments and models

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# Post-transcriptional regulation is *ubiquitous* and *substantive*

transcription

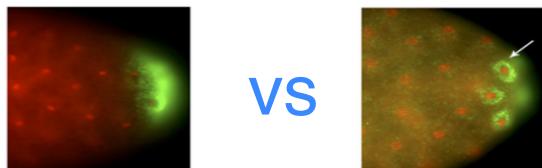


splicing



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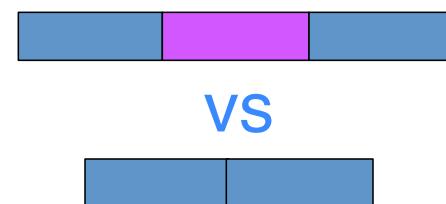
localization  
(LeCuyer et al, Cell 2007)  
70% fly oocyte mRNAs localized



VS



alternative poly-A sites  
*1000s of genes have alternative poly-A sites*



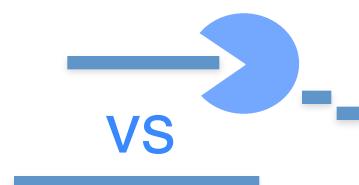
alternative splicing  
*80-95% of mammalian genes and 10-50% of exons are alternatively spliced*

Nucleus

Cytoplasm

mRNA stability

*~50% of transcripts have conserved miRNA seed regions*

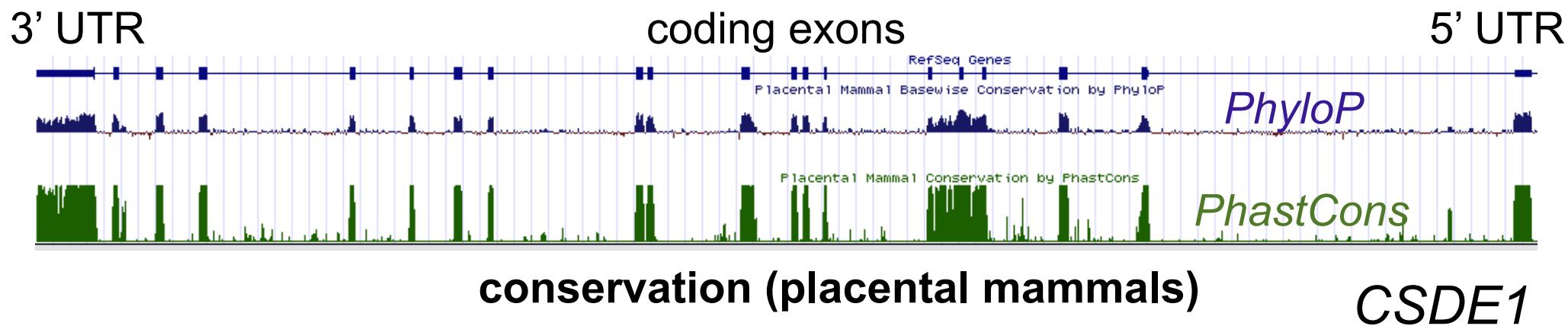
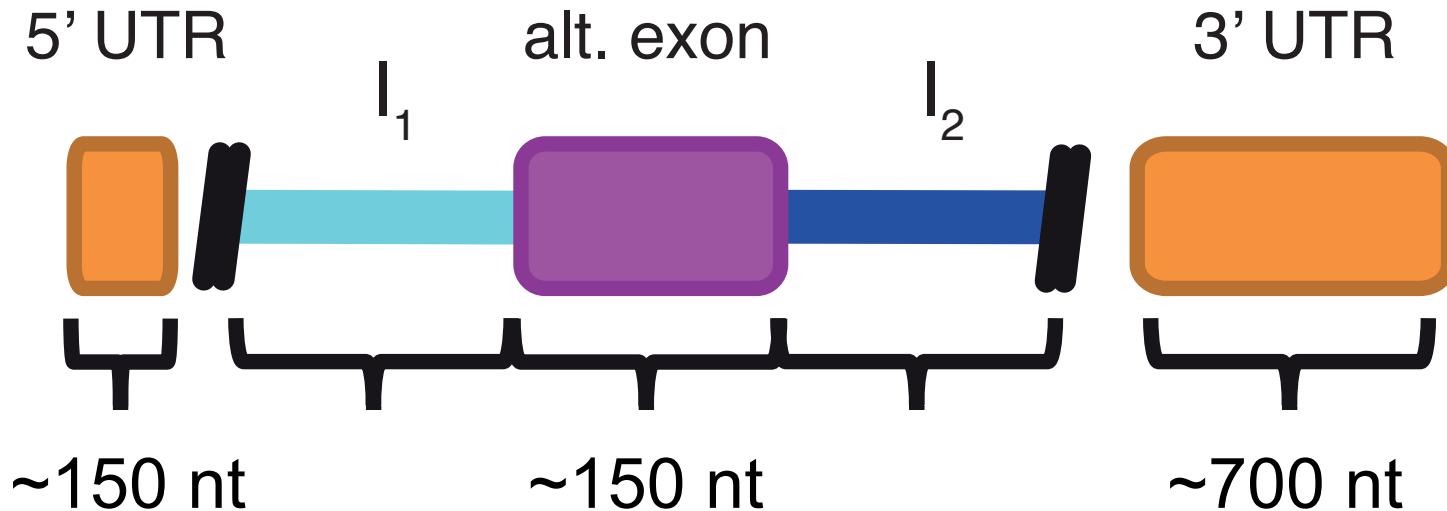


mRNA translation rate

*(Schwanhäußer et al, Nature 2011)  
explains 20-40% of protein abundance variability*

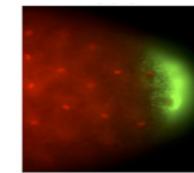
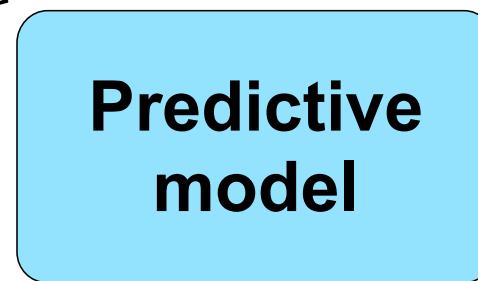


# UTRs of human mRNAs are compact and information-rich

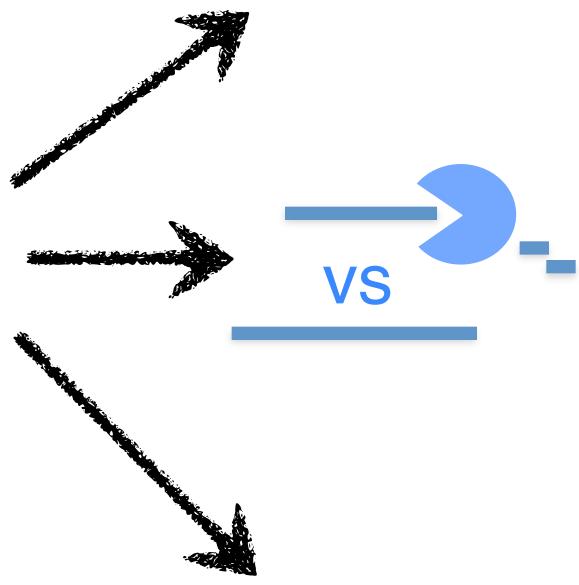
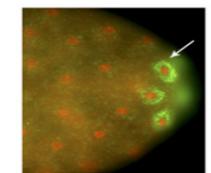


# Predictive models of PTR

transcript sequence  
...CGUUCGCCGCGCU...



vs

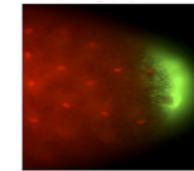
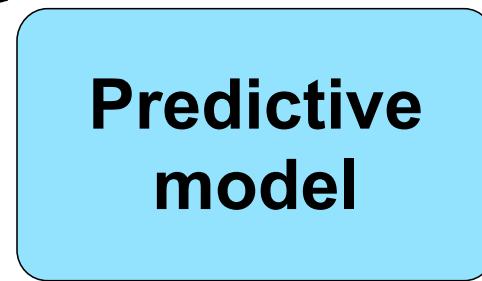


Cellular context  
(e.g. RBP and miRNA activities)

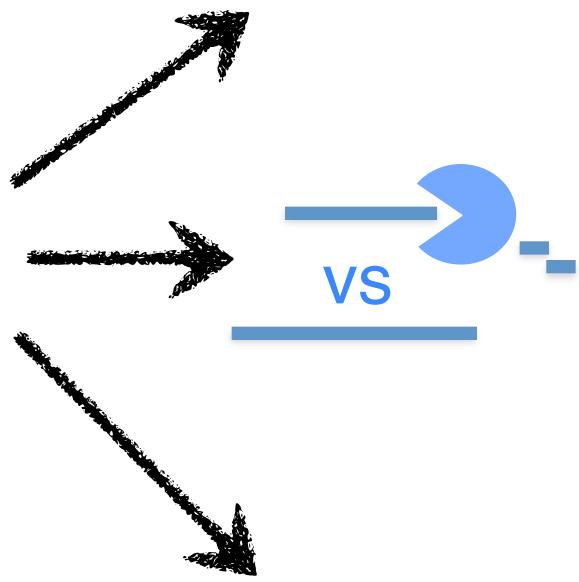
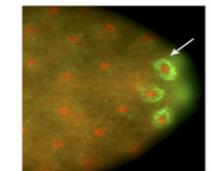
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**What's missing is RNA-binding protein (RBP) motifs**



vs



Cellular context  
(e.g. RBP and miRNA activities)

# Goals

- 1. Determining specificities of all eukaryotic RBPs**
- 2. Developing models/methods to scan for RBP binding sites in mRNAs**

# Three types of RBPs

## Sequence-specific

1) bir

### Focus

1. RBPs with many targets; RBPs with a small number of targets are probably different.
2. Binding assays → preferences; rather than from a handful of targets to preferences.



Estimate of prevalence:

70%

25%

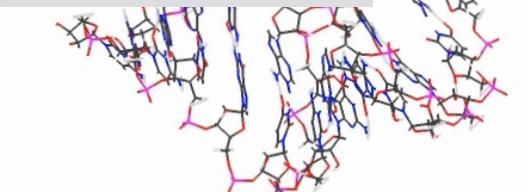
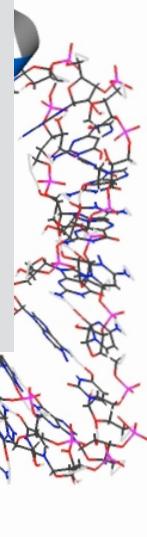
5%

## Shape-specific

|A stem

(fly)

(human)

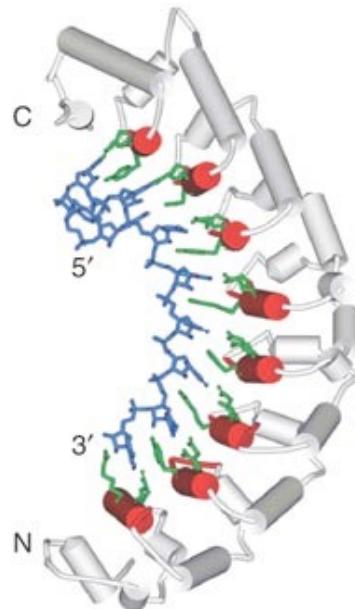


# Three types of RBPs

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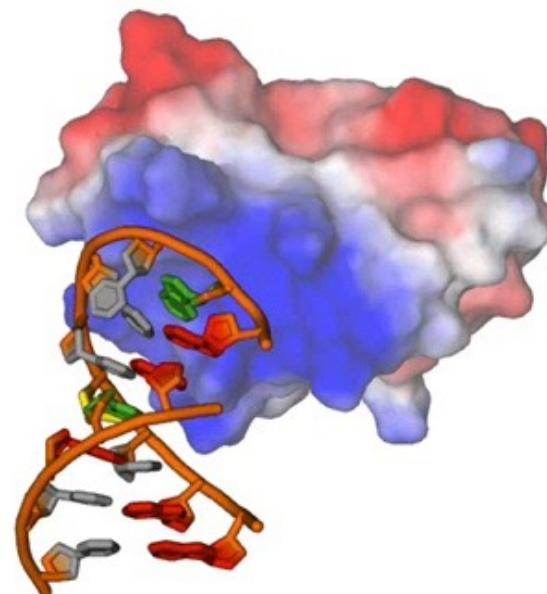
1) binds ssRNA

**Pumilio (fly)**  
**Puf3p (yeast)**  
**Pum1/2 (human)**



2) binds ssRNA in a *structural context* (e.g. hairpin loop)

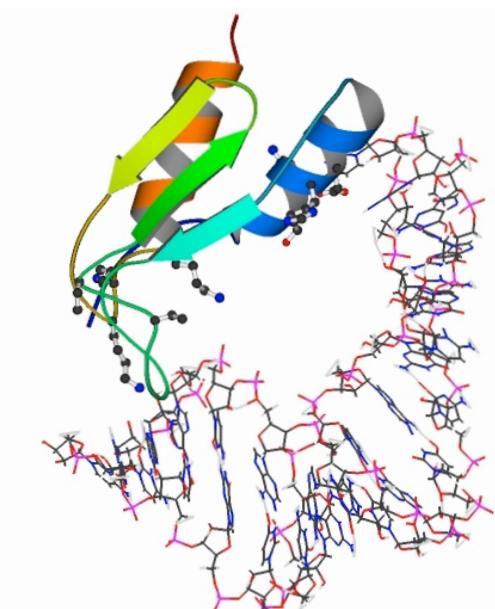
**Smaug (fly)**  
**Vts1 (yeast)**  
**SAM4DA/B (human)**



## Shape-specific

3) binds dsRNA stem

**Staufen (fly)**  
**Staufen1/2 (human)**



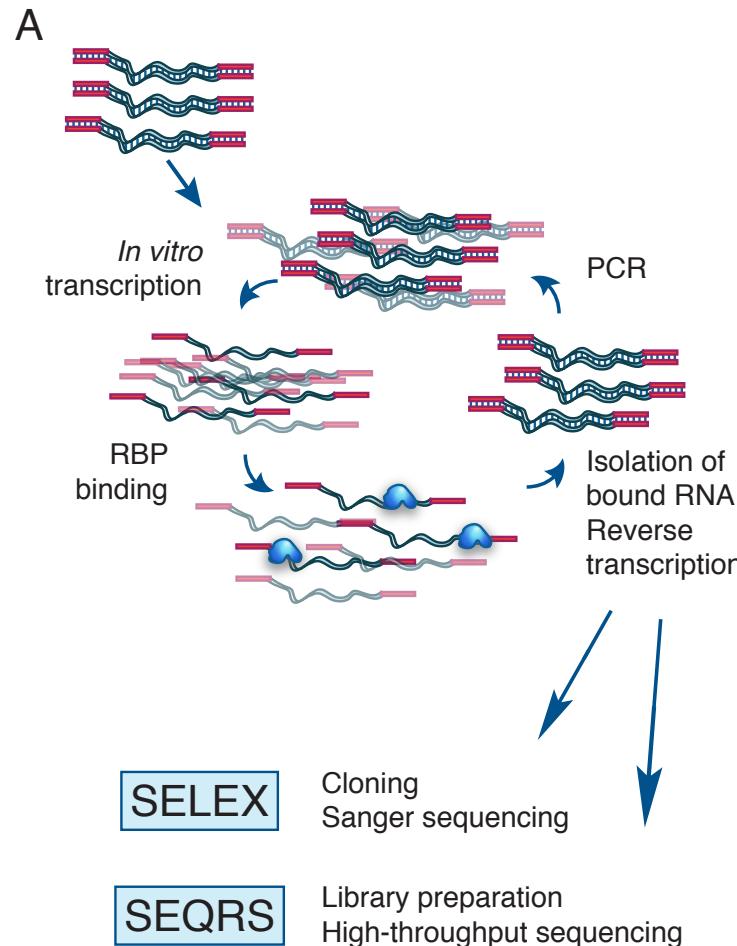
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# In vitro RBP binding assays pre-2009

## SELEX



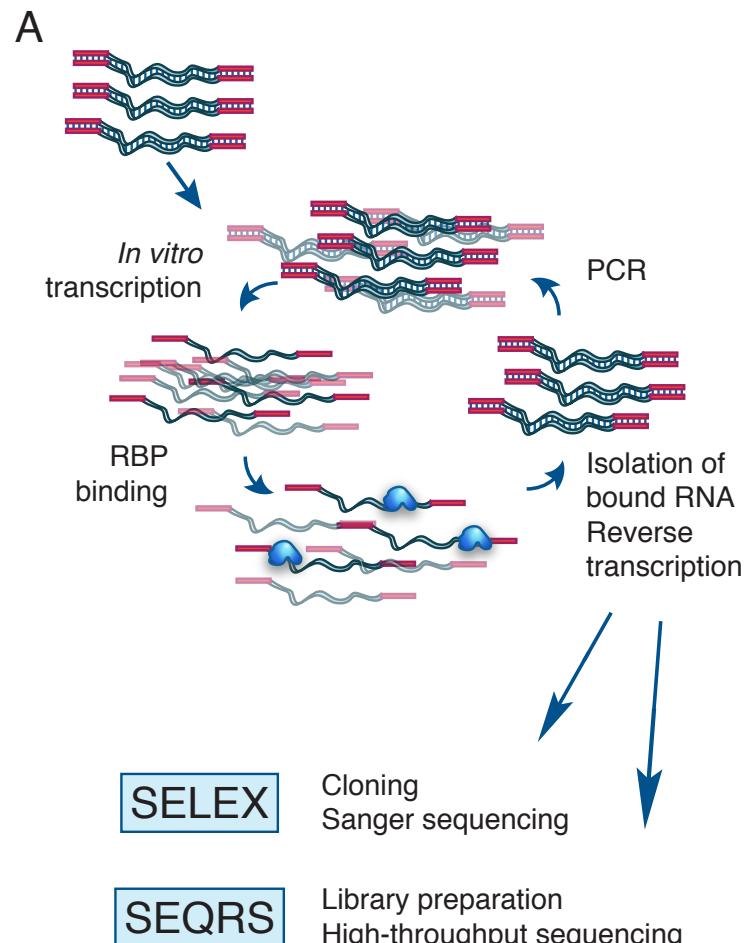
~70 RBPs

(Cook et al, Brief Funct Genomics 2015)



# In vitro RBP binding assays

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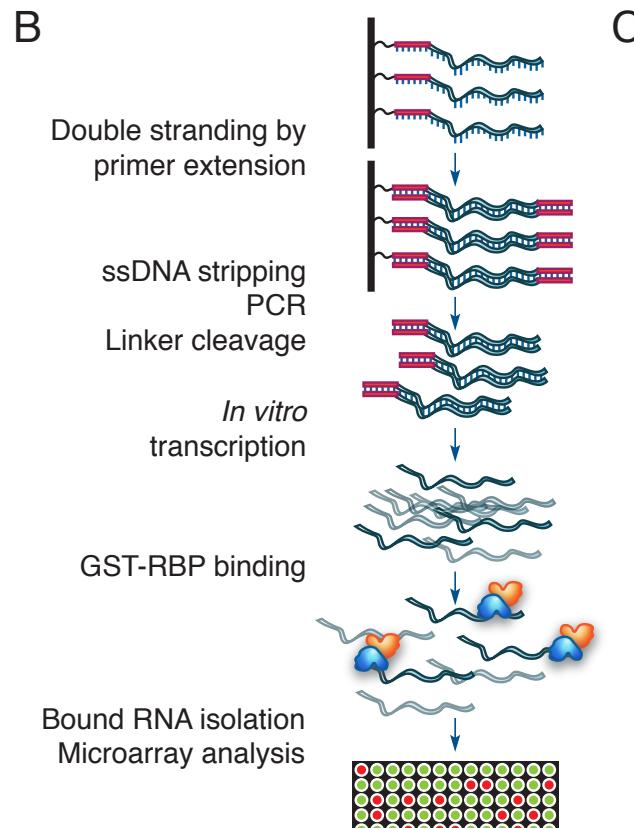


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## RNAcompete

2009, 2013

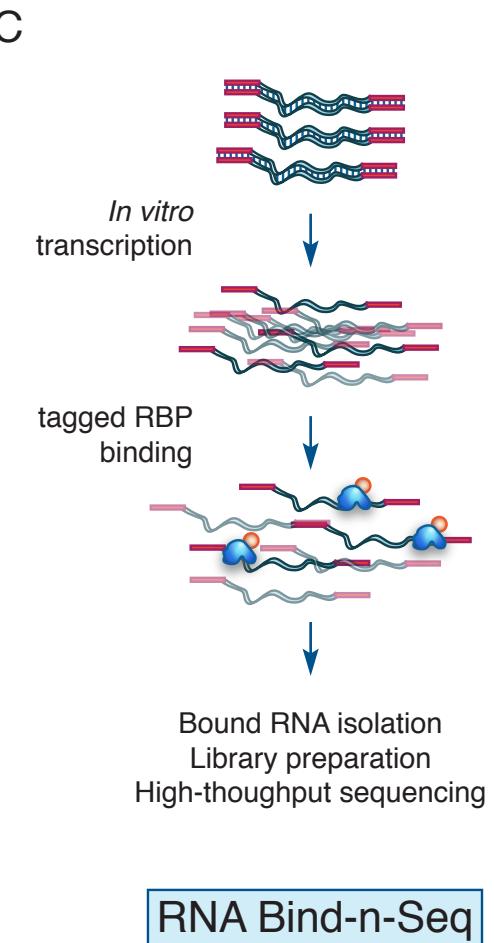


RNAcompete

~220 RBPs  
(~100 unpublished)

## RNA Bind-n-seq

2014



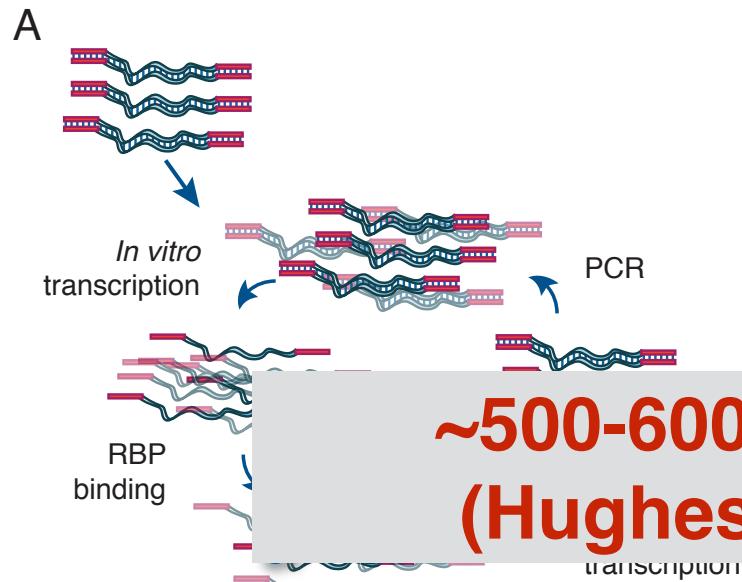
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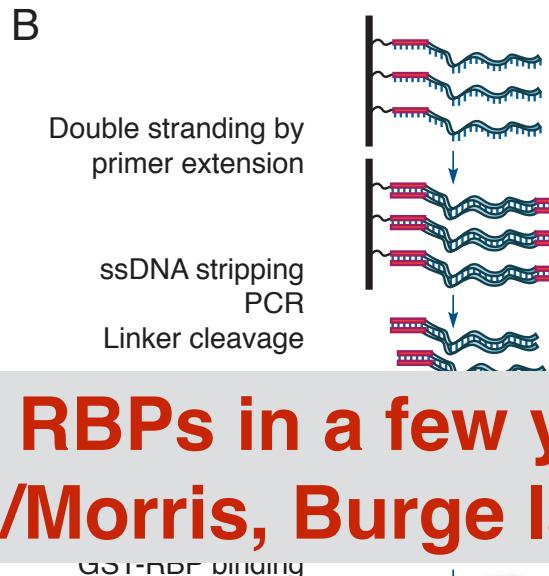
SELEX

Cloning  
Sanger sequencing

SEQRS

Library preparation  
High-throughput sequencing

## RNAcompete 2009, 2013



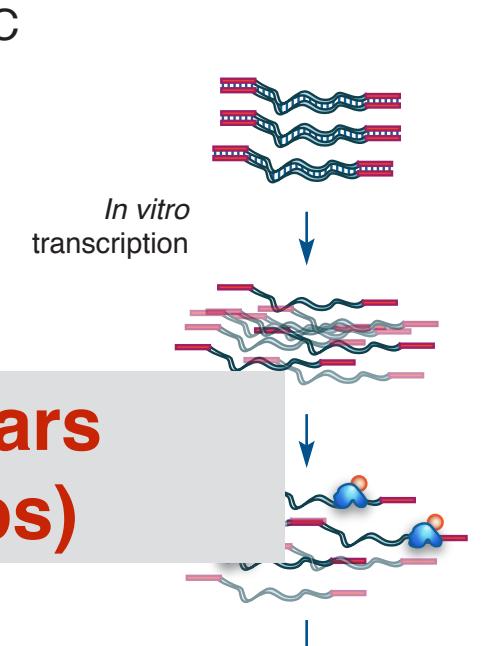
RNAcompete

Bound RNA isolation  
Microarray analysis

~70 RBPs

(Cook et al, Brief Funct Genomics 2015)

## RNA Bind-n-seq 2014



RNA Bind-n-Seq

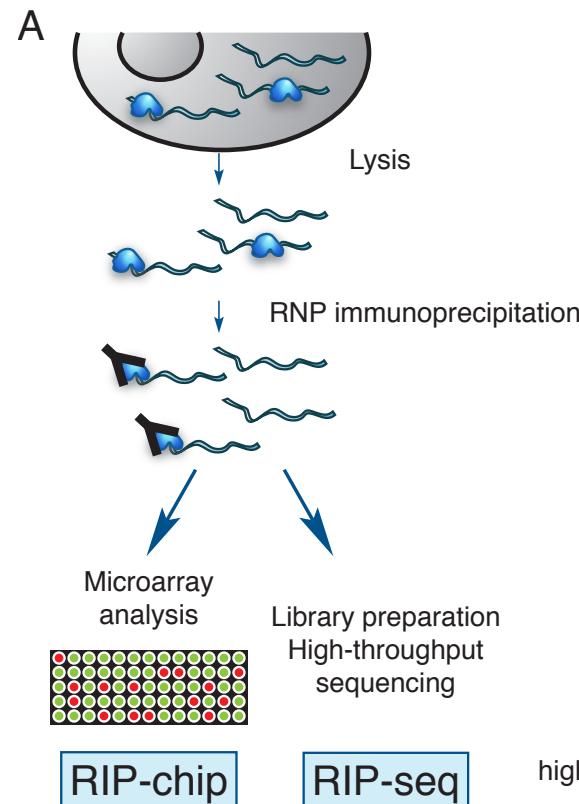
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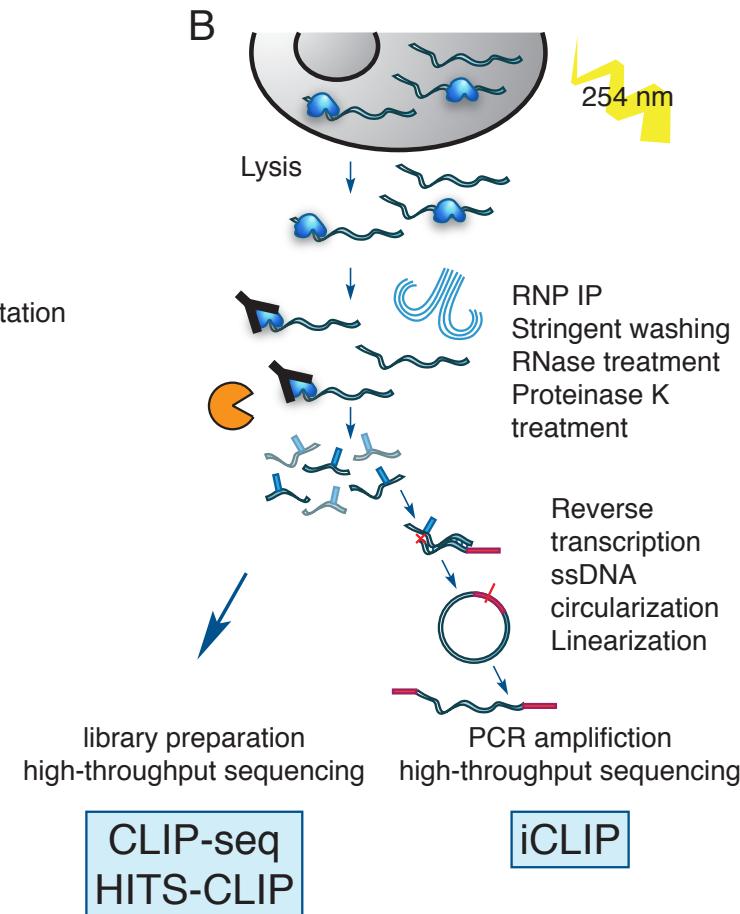


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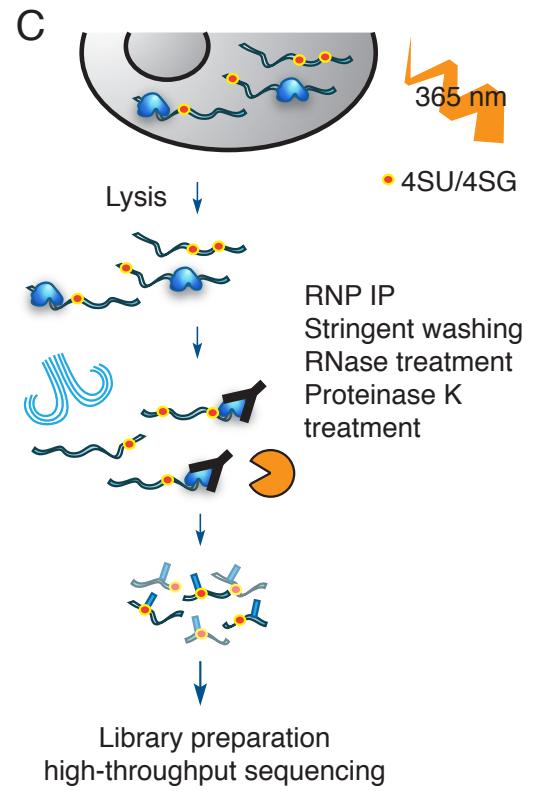
## RIP



## CLIP



## PAR-CLIP

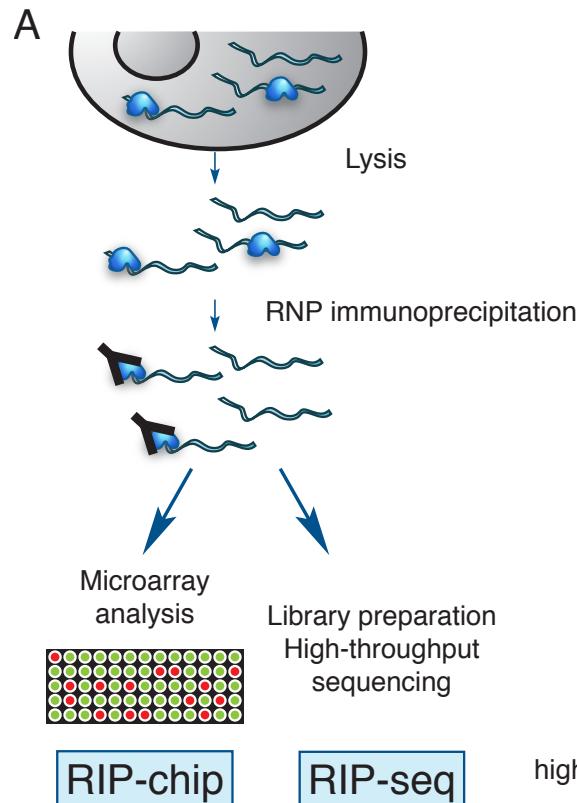


U->C transitions

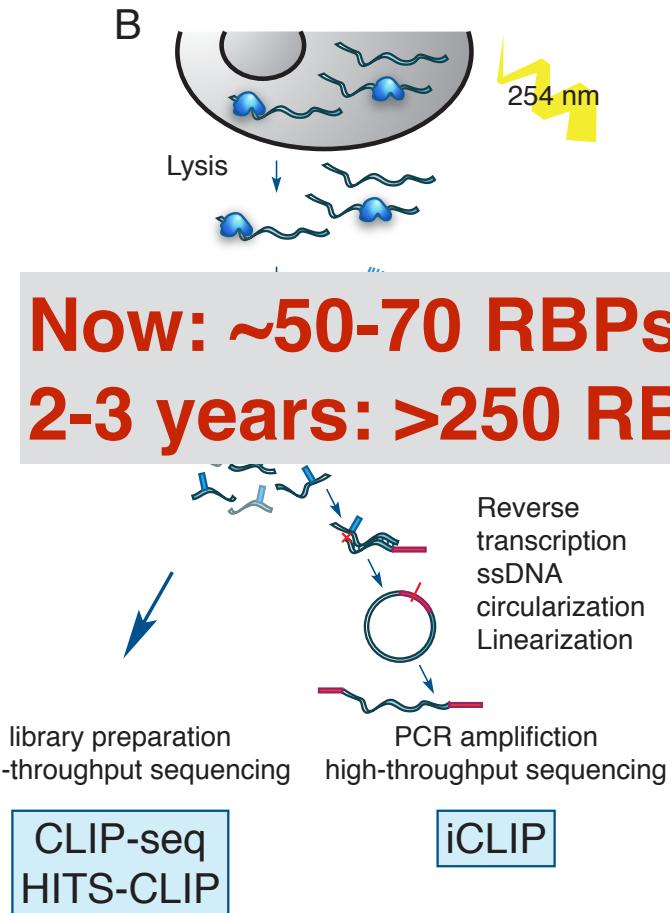


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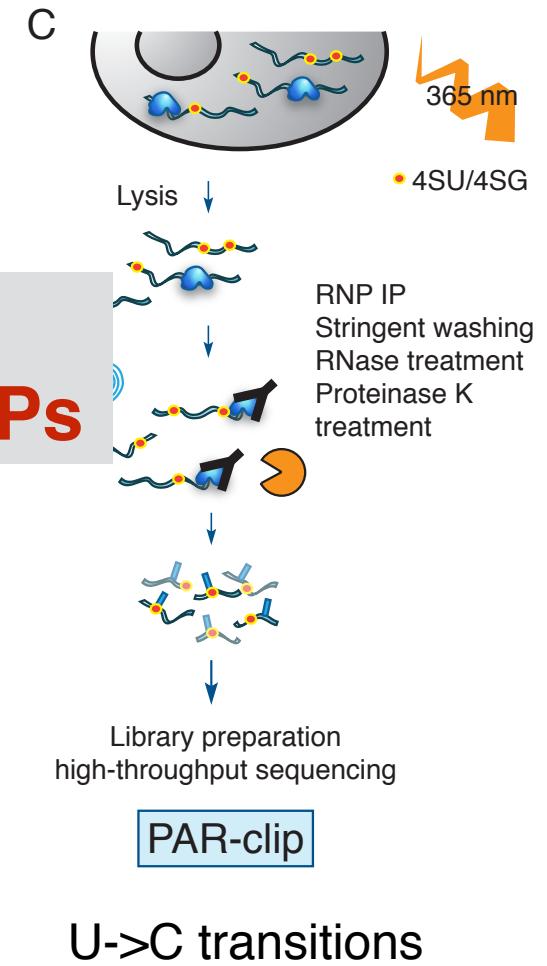
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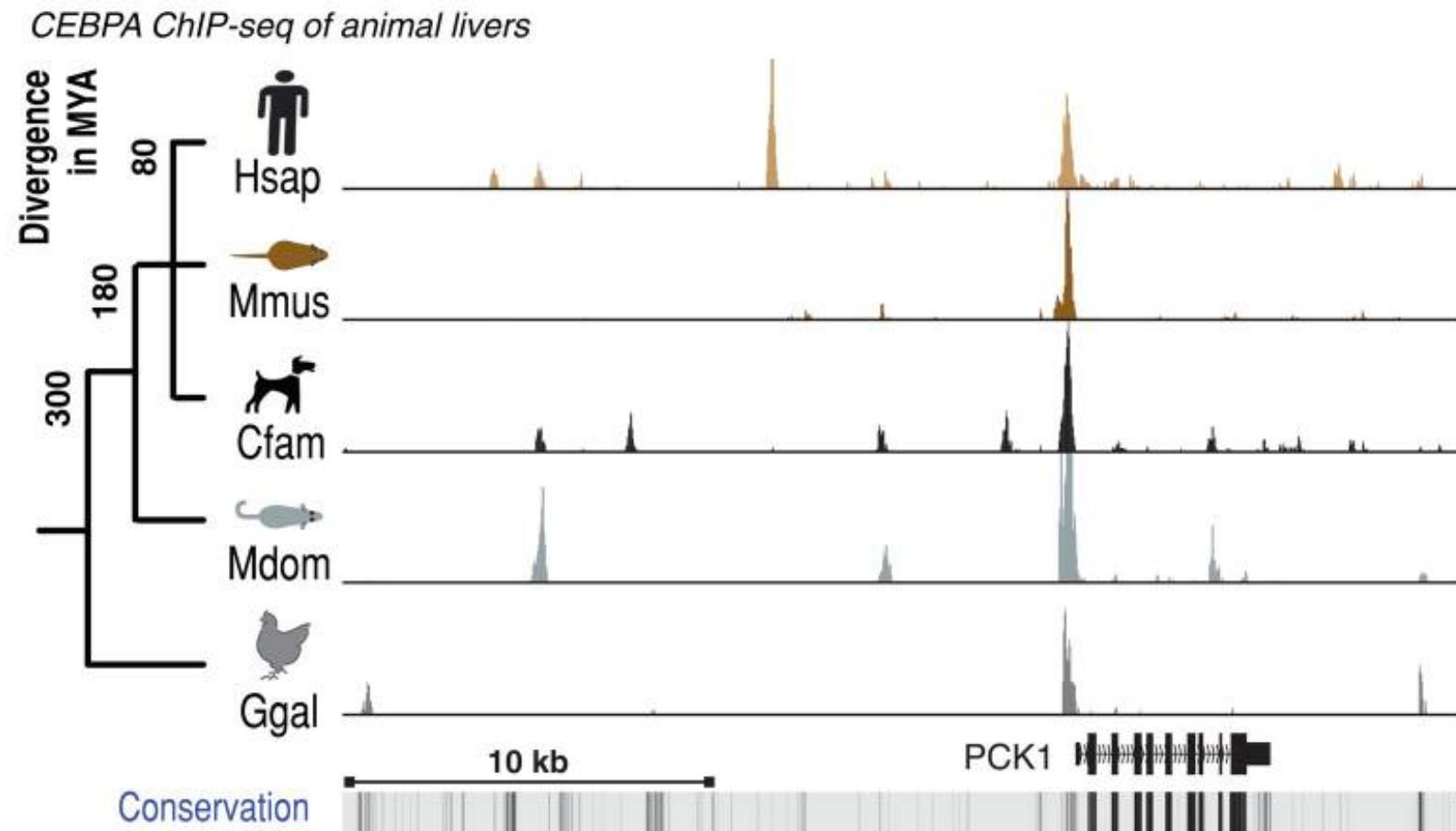


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# Need to consider binding site turnover



**Similar turnover likely occurs for RBPs**

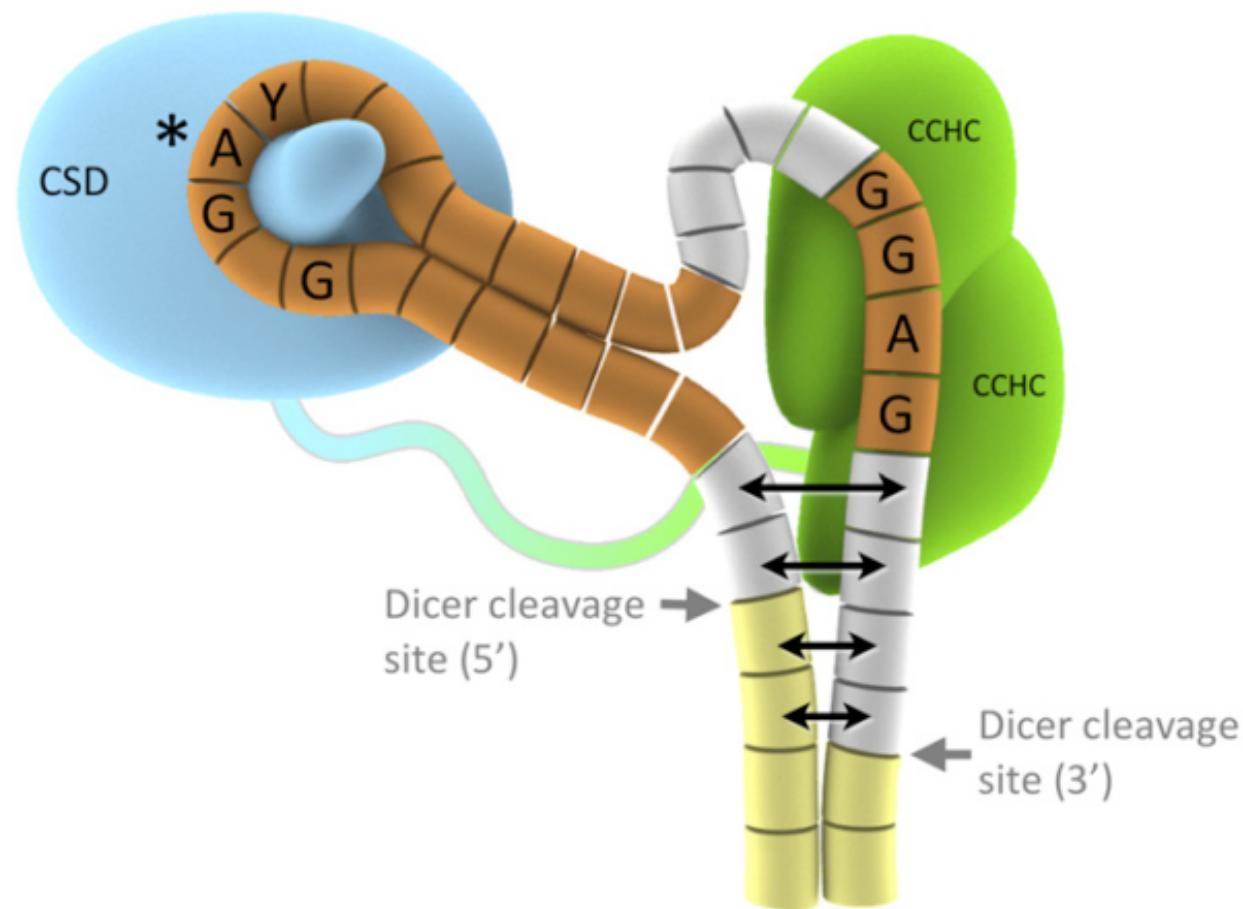
# Implications for RBP binding preferences

1. RBP binding sites need to be “**evolutionarily easy**” to generate, so either:
  - a) They have variable affinity, clustered sites
    - Sequence-specific ssRBP
  - b) They are easy to generate via ‘copy-and-paste’ mechanisms,
    - dsRNA binding proteins

Excludes very complex structures for RBPs with many targets?

# Possible exceptions

## Lin28



## Stem-loop binding protein

U	Y	U	
U	Y	N	
U	A		
Y	R		
Y	R		
Y	R		
G	C		
CAAAG	CACCCA		
Consensus			

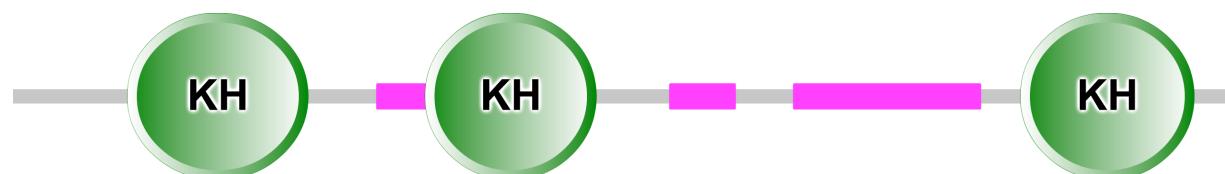
# Canonical ssRNA-binding domains

**RRM domain**  
binds 2-5nts  
~250 RBPs in mammals



*HuR (also known as ELAVL1)*  
*motif: UUNNNUUU*

**KH domain**  
binds 2-4 nts  
~50 RBPs in mammals



*Nova1*  
*motif: YCAY*

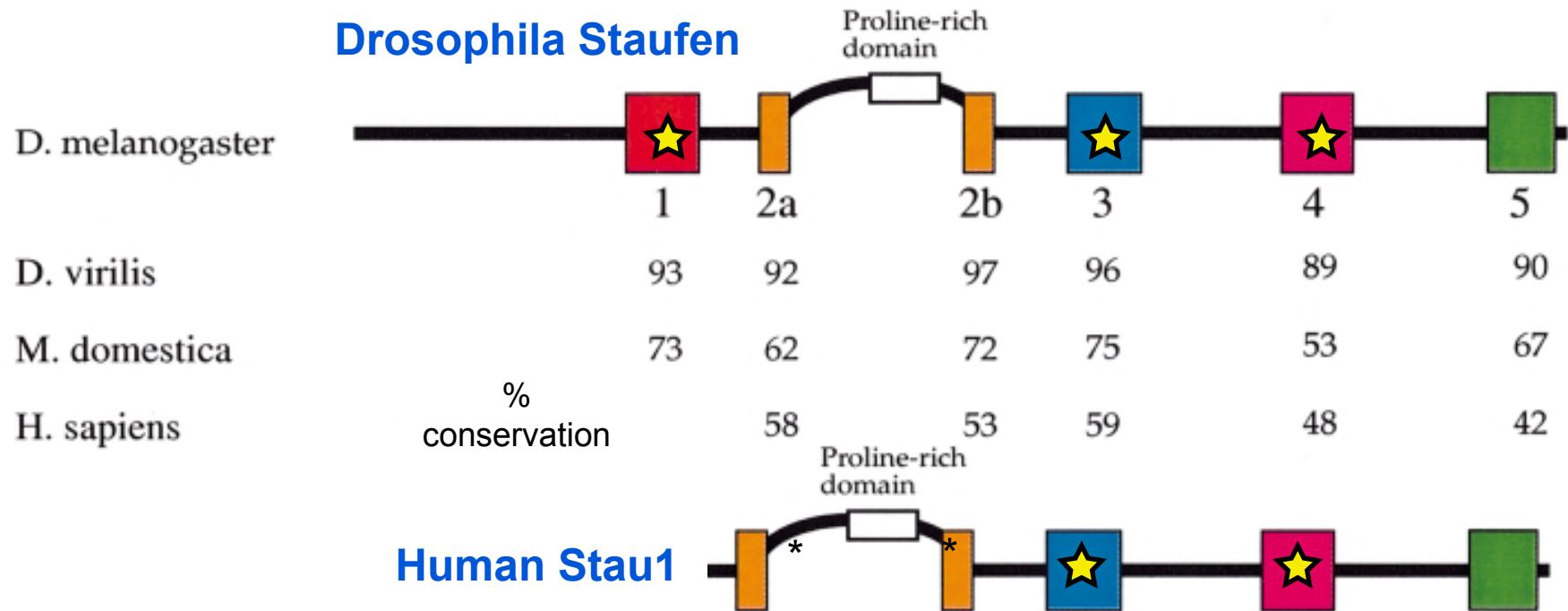
*Other domains:* **CCCH Zinc finger, Pumilio/Puf, Cold Shock Domains, others (sometime C2H2)**  
*Auxiliary domains:* **CCHC Zinc fingers**

# Canonical dsRNA-binding domain

**double-standed RNA binding domain**

binds dsRNA 10-12bp

~20 in RBPs in mammals



★ = binds dsRNA

Adapted from: Micklem, D. R. et al. *The EMBO journal*, 19(6), 1366-1377.

# Modelling RBP binding preferences

1. What RNA structures are available for RBP to bind?

mRNA secondary structure prediction

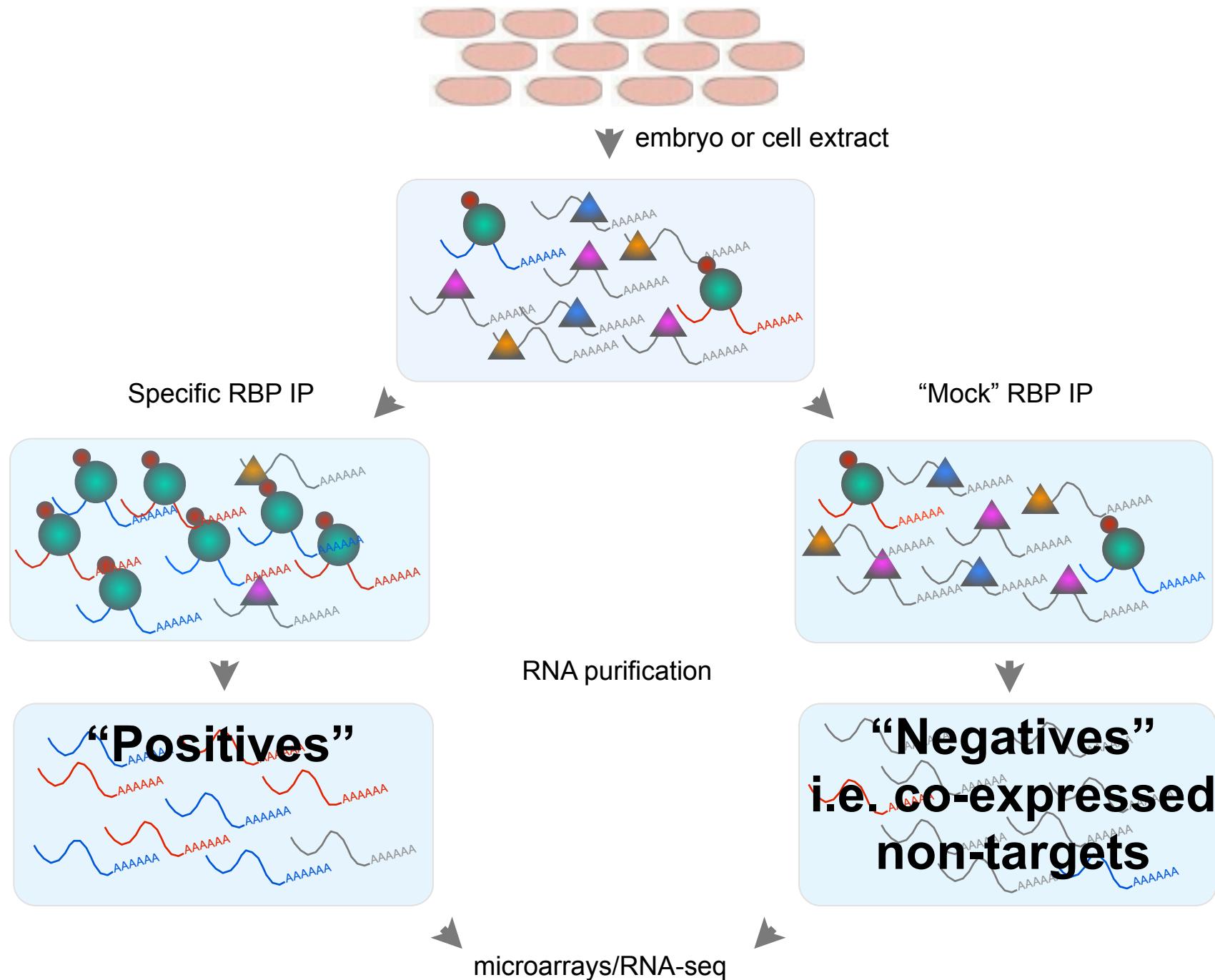
2. What RNA structure / sequences does the RBP want to bind?

sequence/structure motif (SSM) finding

3. How does RBP binding affects the available RNA structures?

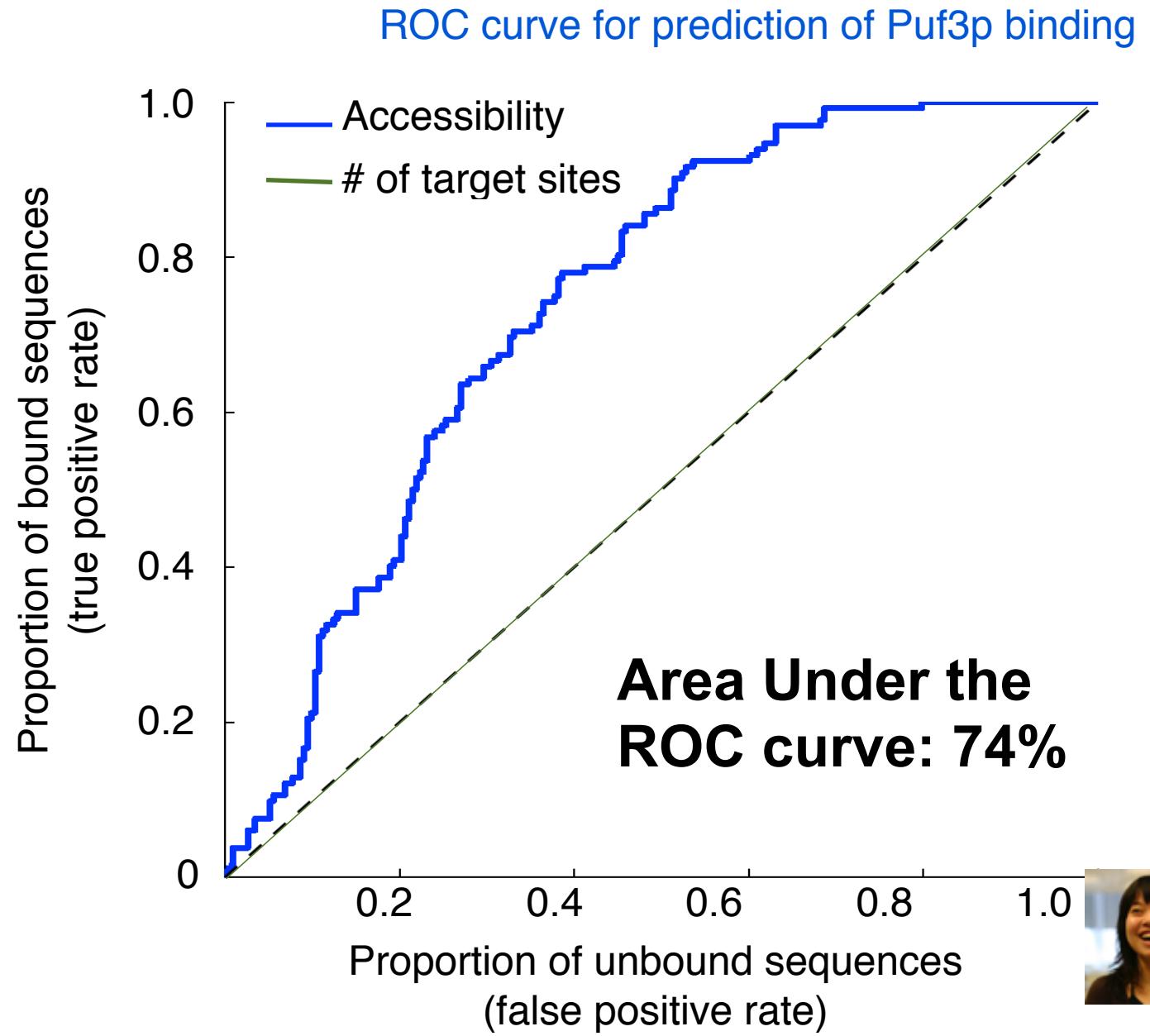
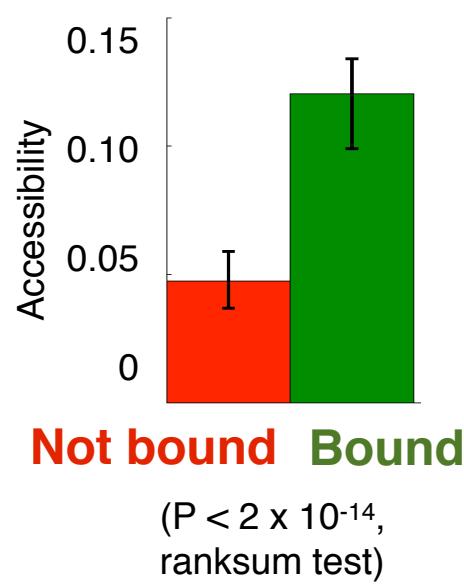
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# Defining positives and negatives for RBP binding

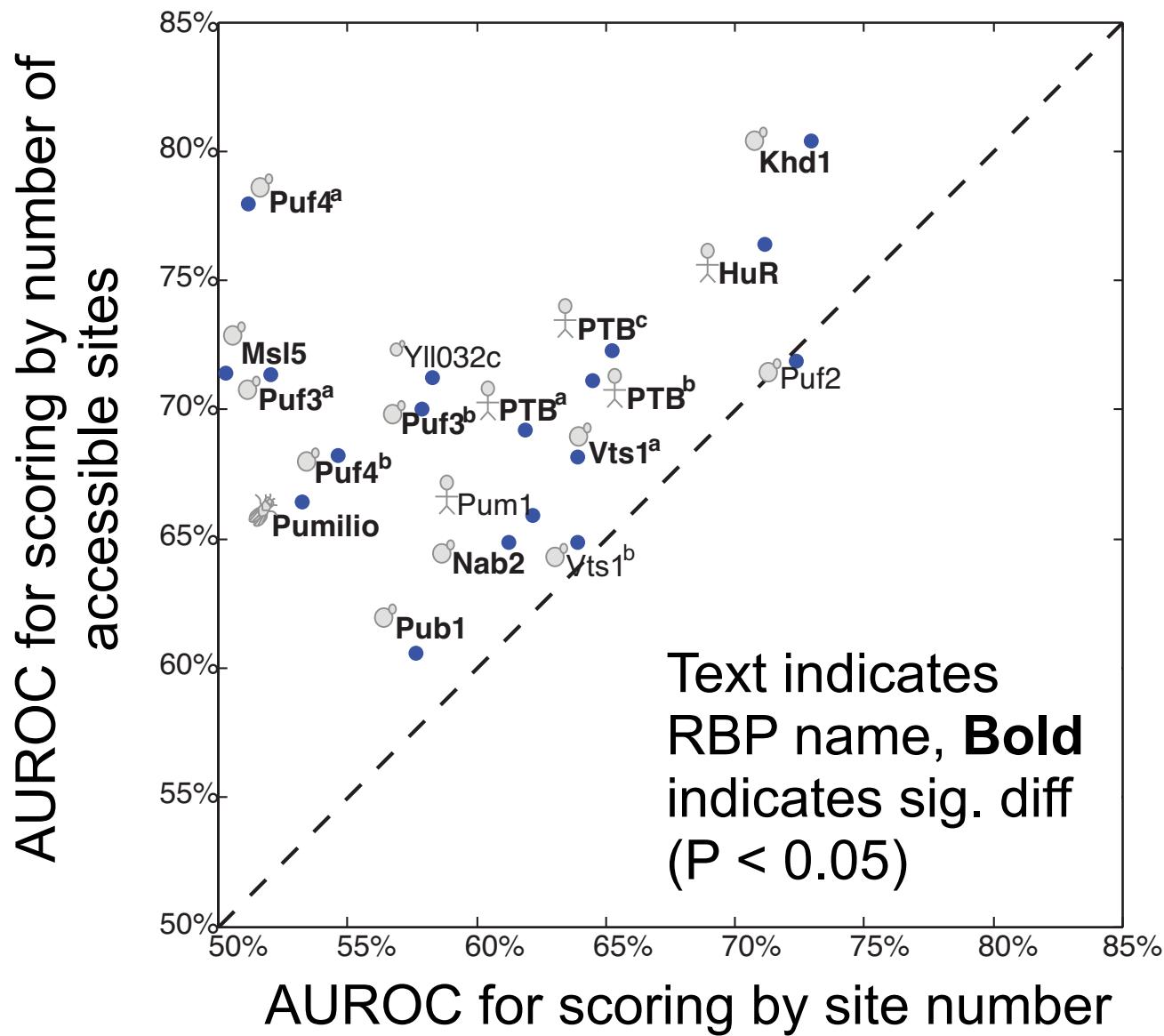


Slide courtesy of H. Lipshitz

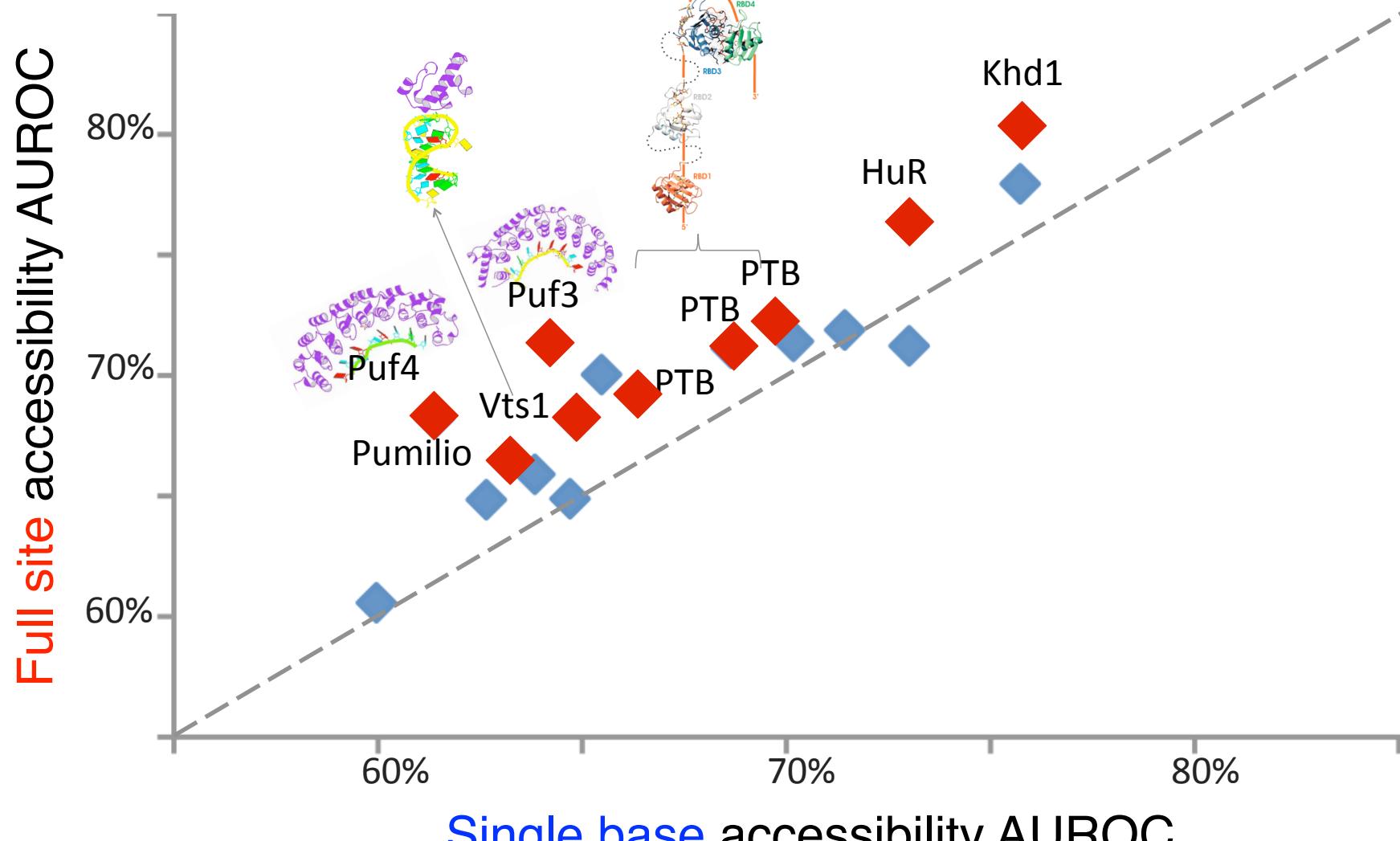
# Site accessibility predicts *in vivo* Puf3p binding



# Site accessibility predicts general RBP binding



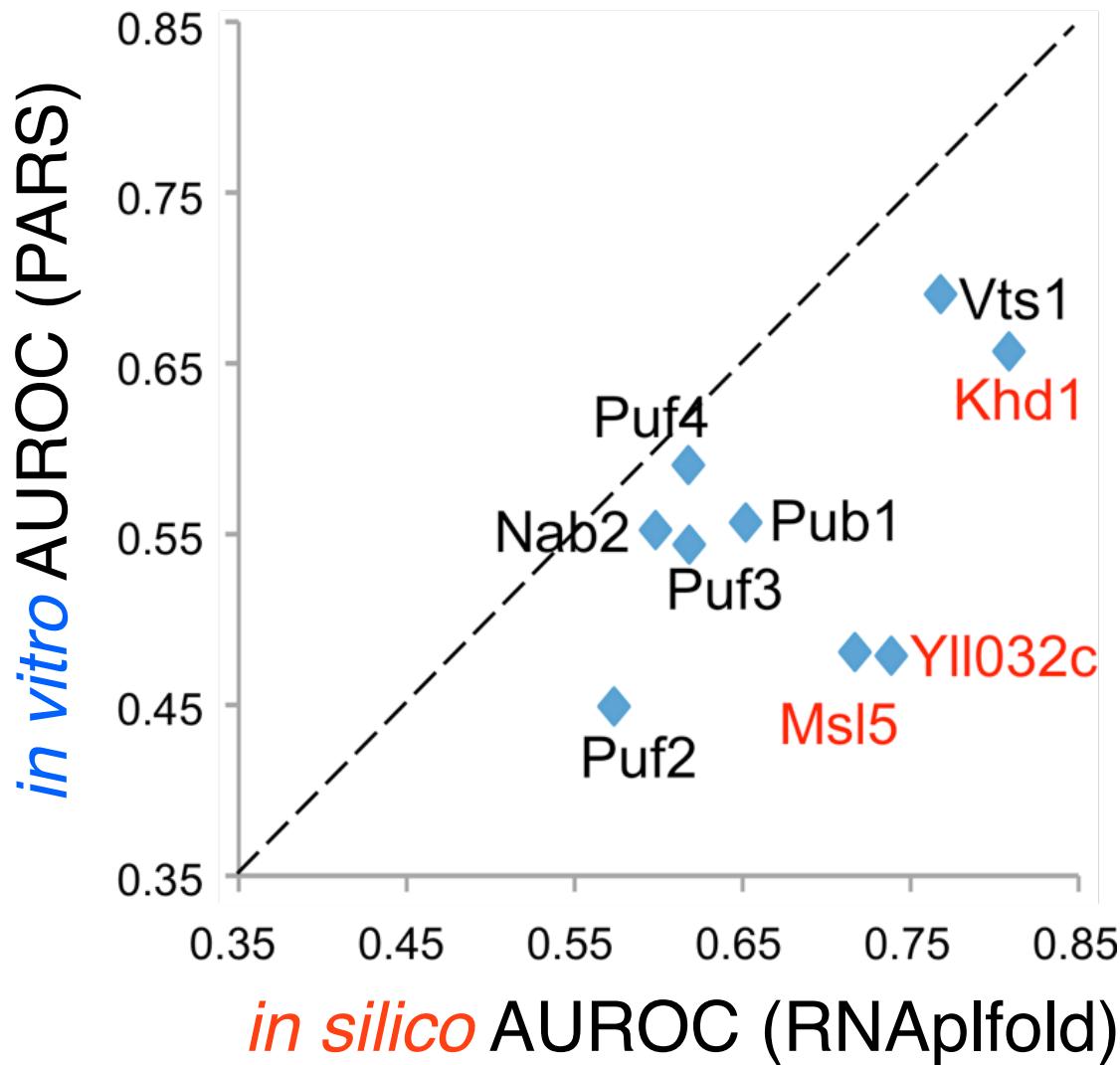
# Strict is better than permissive accessibility



◆ indicates stat. sig. improvement  
( $p < 0.05$  DDCP test, Bonferroni)



# *in silico* versus *in vitro* estimates of site accessibility

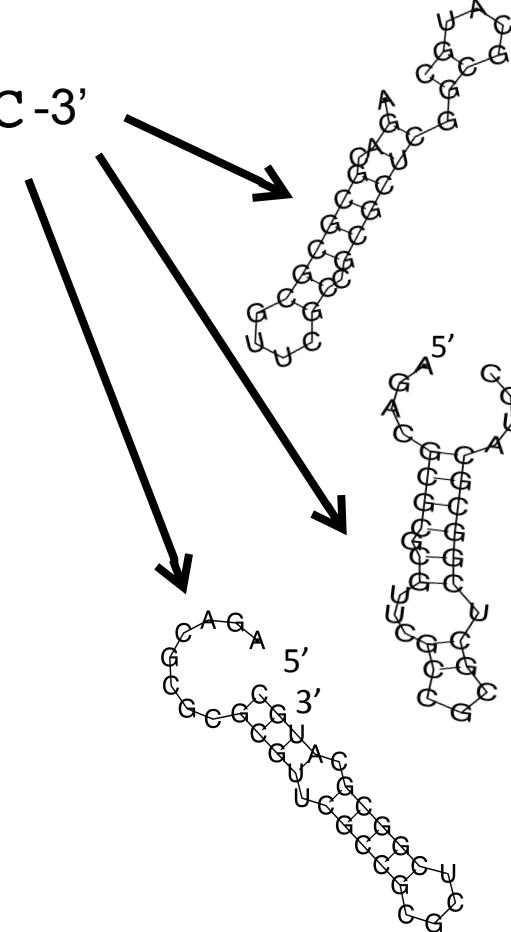


Red text indicates sig. differences ( $P < 0.05$  DDCP)

PARS data from (Kestesz et al, Nature 2010)

# Representing structural context

5'-AGACGCGCGGUUCGCCGCGCUCGGCGCAUGC-3'



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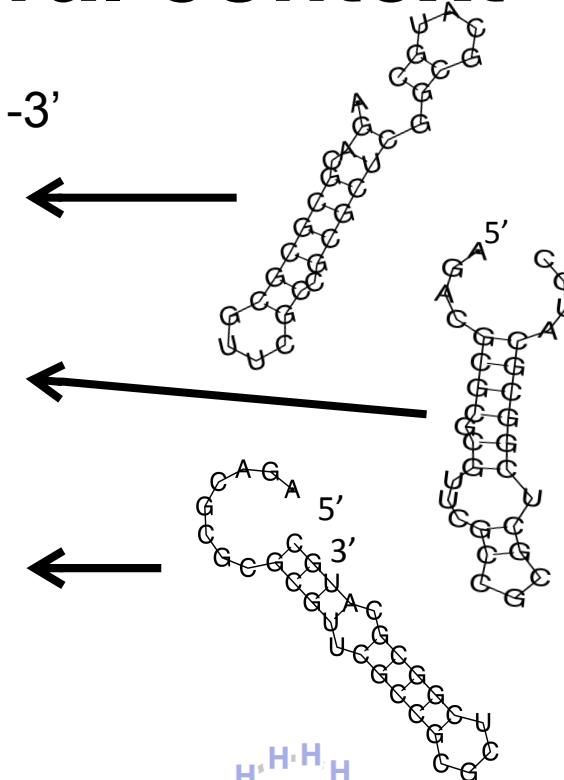
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HHHPP  
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P

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IIPPIII  
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IIPPPPPP  
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## Legend

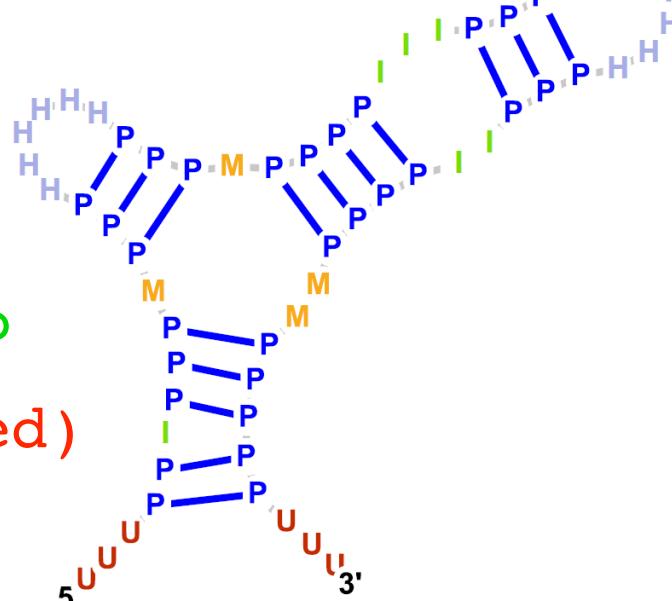
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I - internal / bulge loop

M - multiloop

U - external (unstructured)



# Representing structural context

5'-AGACGCGCGGUUCGCCGCGCUCGGCGCAUGC-3'

UPPIPPPPPHHHHPPIIPPPPPPUPPHHHHPP

UUUUPPIIPPPPPHHHHHPPPPPIPPUUUUUUUU

UUUUUPPPPIIPPIIIIPPHHHPPIIPPPPPPUUUU

UPPPPHHHHPPPPPIIPPPPHHHHPPPPUUUUUU

UUUUUUUUUPPPPIIPPPPHHHHPPPPPIIPPPP

Proposed binding site

State	Probability
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P	45%
H	45%
I	10%
M	0%
U	0%

## Legend

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## Single nucleotide context

Wei Jiao



# Structural context of a binding site

5'-AGACGCGCGCUUCGCCGCGCUCGGCGCAUGC-3'

UPPIPPPPPHHHHPPIIPPPPPPUPPHHHHPP

UUUUPPIIPPPPPHHHHHPPPPPIPPUUUUUUUU

UUUUUPPPPIIPPIIIIPPHHHPPIIPPPPPPUUUU

UPPPPHHHHPPPPPIIPPPPHHHHPPPPUUUUUU

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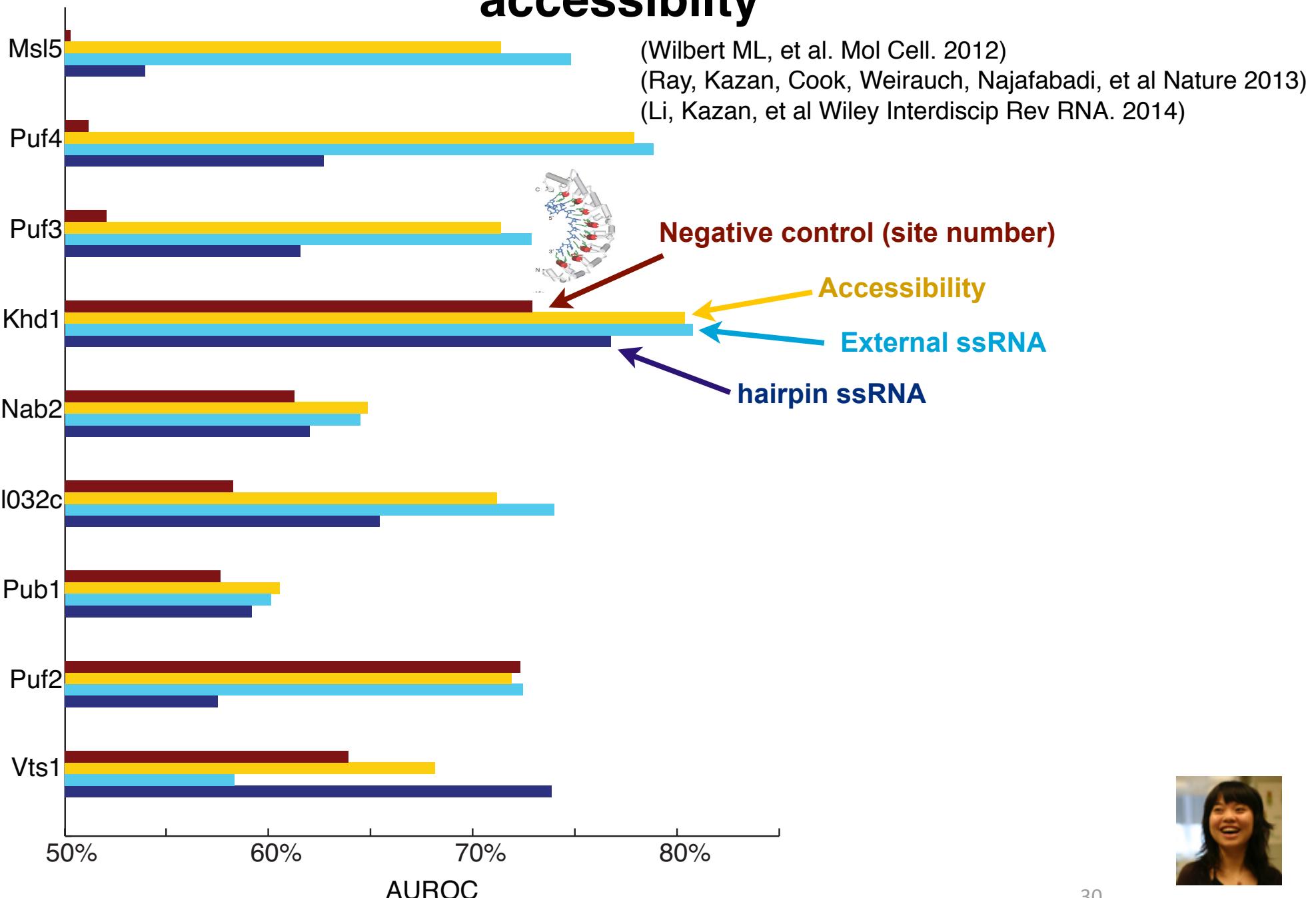
U - external (unstructured)

State	Probability
PPPP	20%
HHHH	40%
IIII	0%
MMMM	0%
UUUU	0%
paired	40%

## Full site context



# Structure context predicts RBP binding better than site accessibility

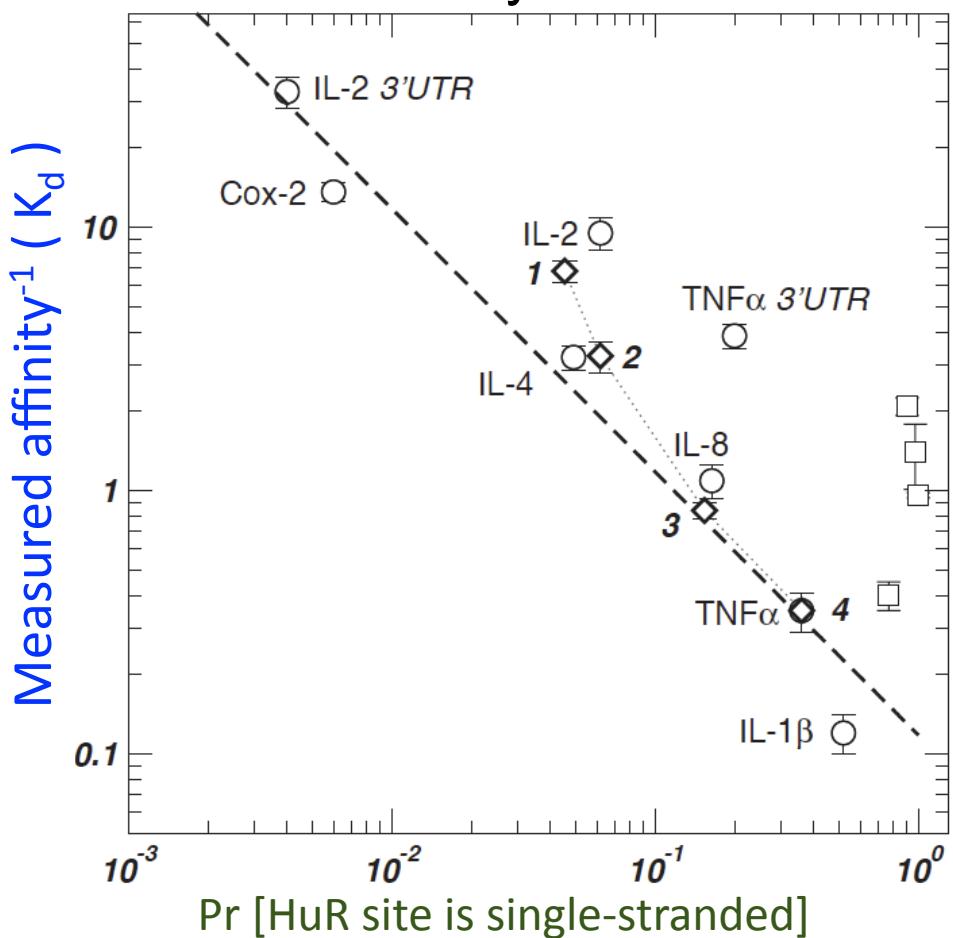


# Summary

1. RNA secondary structure predictions helps identify *in vivo* RBP binding (>70% of RBPs),
2. *In silico* predictions better recover *in vivo* binding than circa 2010 *in vitro* experimental predictions,
3. Estimates of site ‘structural context’ often provide more information than site accessibility,

# Models of structure binding preferences.

In vitro  $K_d$  of HuR for RNA sequences  
with exactly one HuR site



Hackermuller-Stadler model

$$K_a(\text{site}) = \Pr[\text{site is in preferred context}] \times K_a(\text{site in preferred context})$$

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UUCCUAGAGGCGG CUUGGAC UGUCUCUAGGA A  
(((((((((.....))))))))).

# Motif models for structure preference

## *Model of RNA sequence preferences*

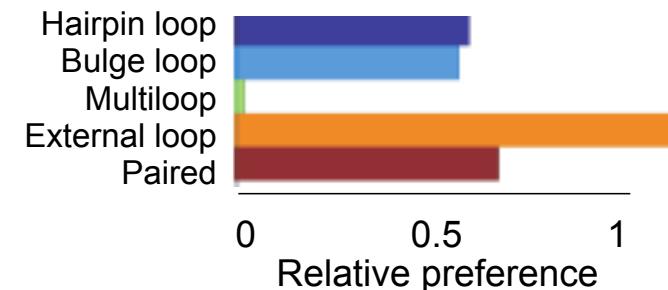
Binding site score =

base  
identity  
**PSSM**

×

Structural  
context  
preference

*Model parameters*



See: *RNAcontext & Malarkey*

# Single nucleotide structural context

Proposed binding site

structural  
feature  
1



AGACGCGCGCUUCGCCGCGCUCGGCGCAUGC  
 UPPIPP PPPP HHHH PPI P PPPPPP UPP HHHH PP  
 UUUPPI PPPP HHHH H PPPP I PP UUUUUUUU  
 UUUUUPPPPI PPI II IPP HHHH PPI PPPPPP UUUU  
 UPPP PHHHH PPPP I PPPP HHHH PPPP UUUUUU  
 UUUUUUUU PPPP I PPPP HHHH PPPP I PPPP

State	Value	$\Theta_1$
P	45% x 1	
H	45% x 5	
I	10% x 0	
M	0% x 0	
U	+ 0% x 0	
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		2.7

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**RBP****RBD****Sequence  
preference**

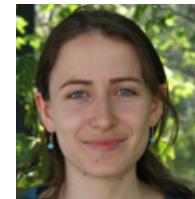
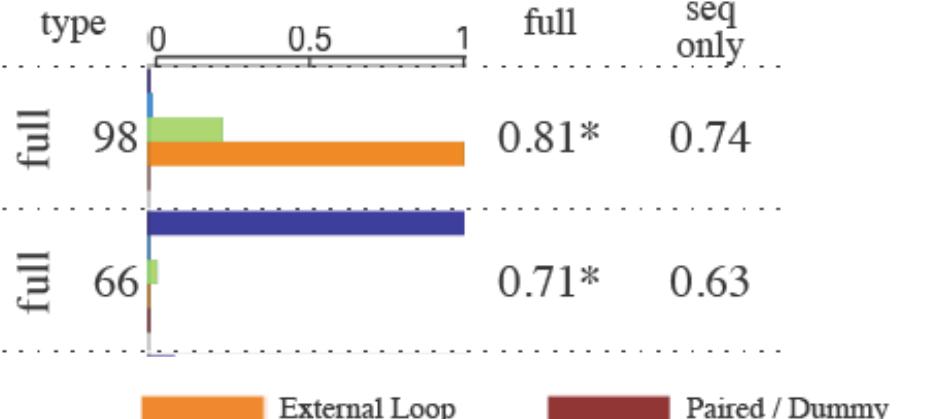
Khd1

KH



Vts1

SAM

**Structural  
preference****AU-ROC**

RBP

RBD

**Sequence  
preference**

**Structural  
preference**

AU-ROC

type

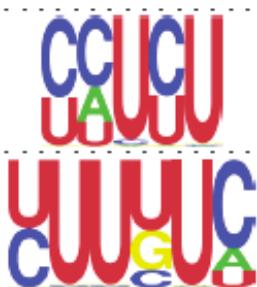


full

seq  
only

Ypl184

N/A



full

81



0.76\*

0.7

Pub1

RRM



full

91



0.63\*

0.61

Hairpin Loop

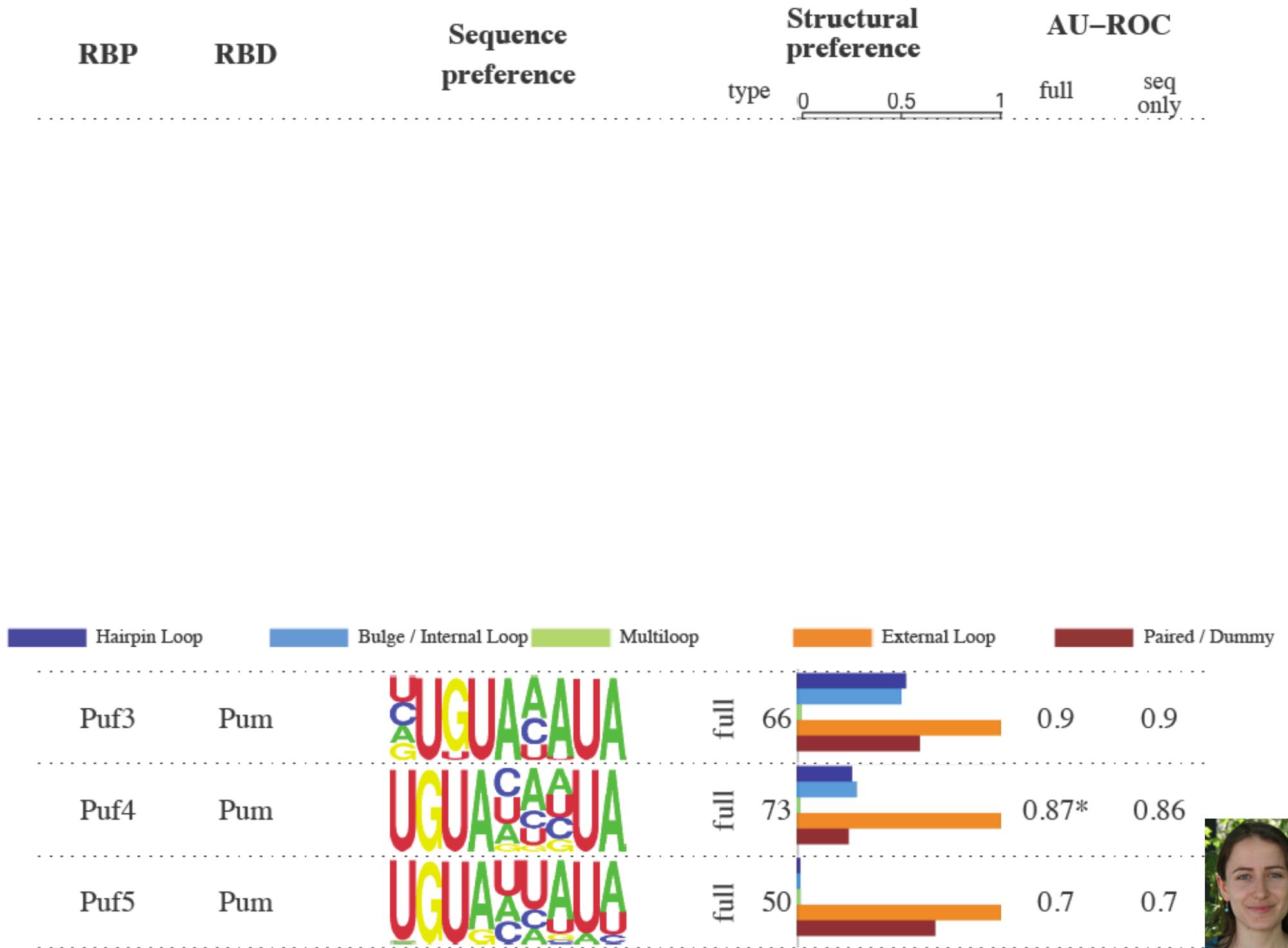
Bulge / Internal Loop

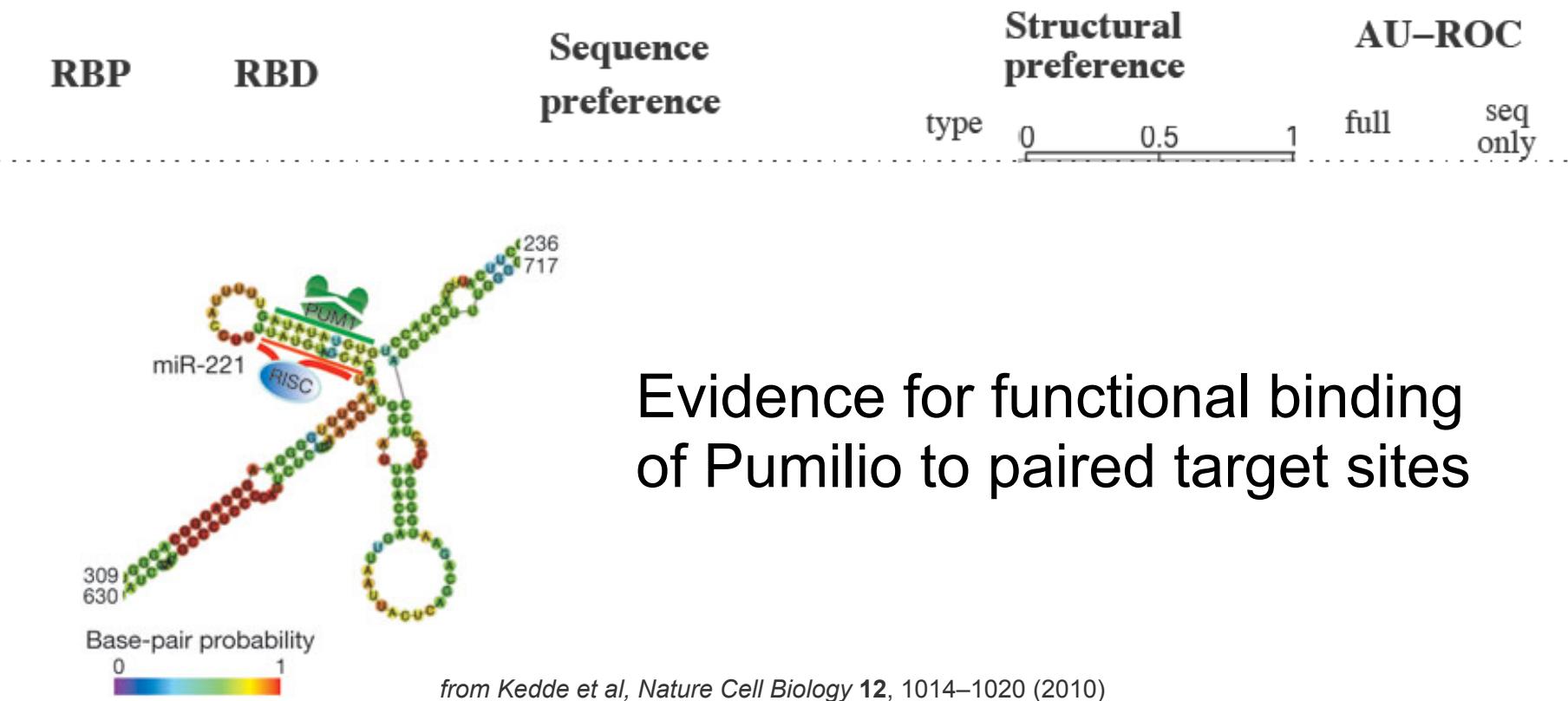
Multiloop

External Loop

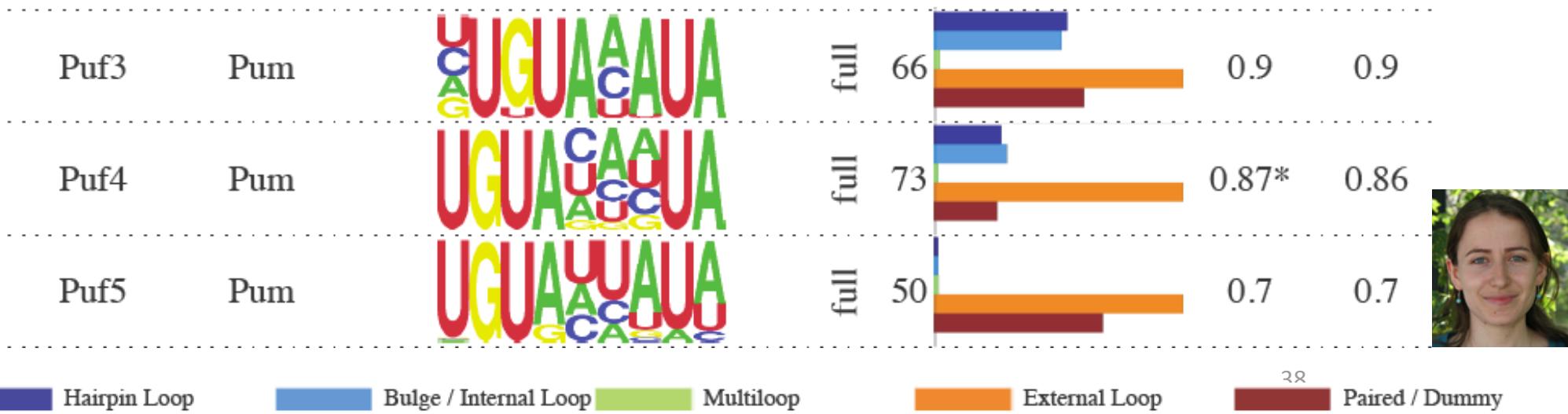
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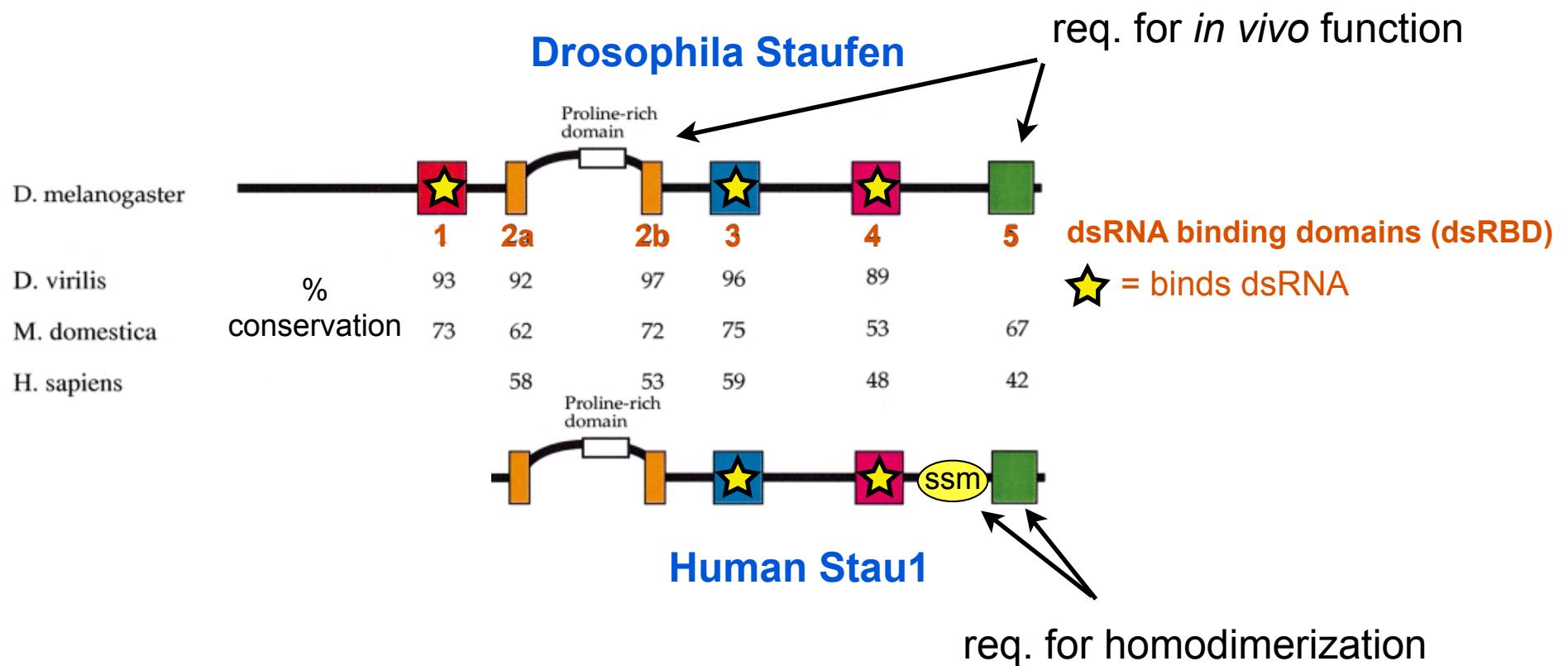




## Evidence for functional binding of Pumilio to paired target sites



# Human vs Drosophila Staufen domain structures



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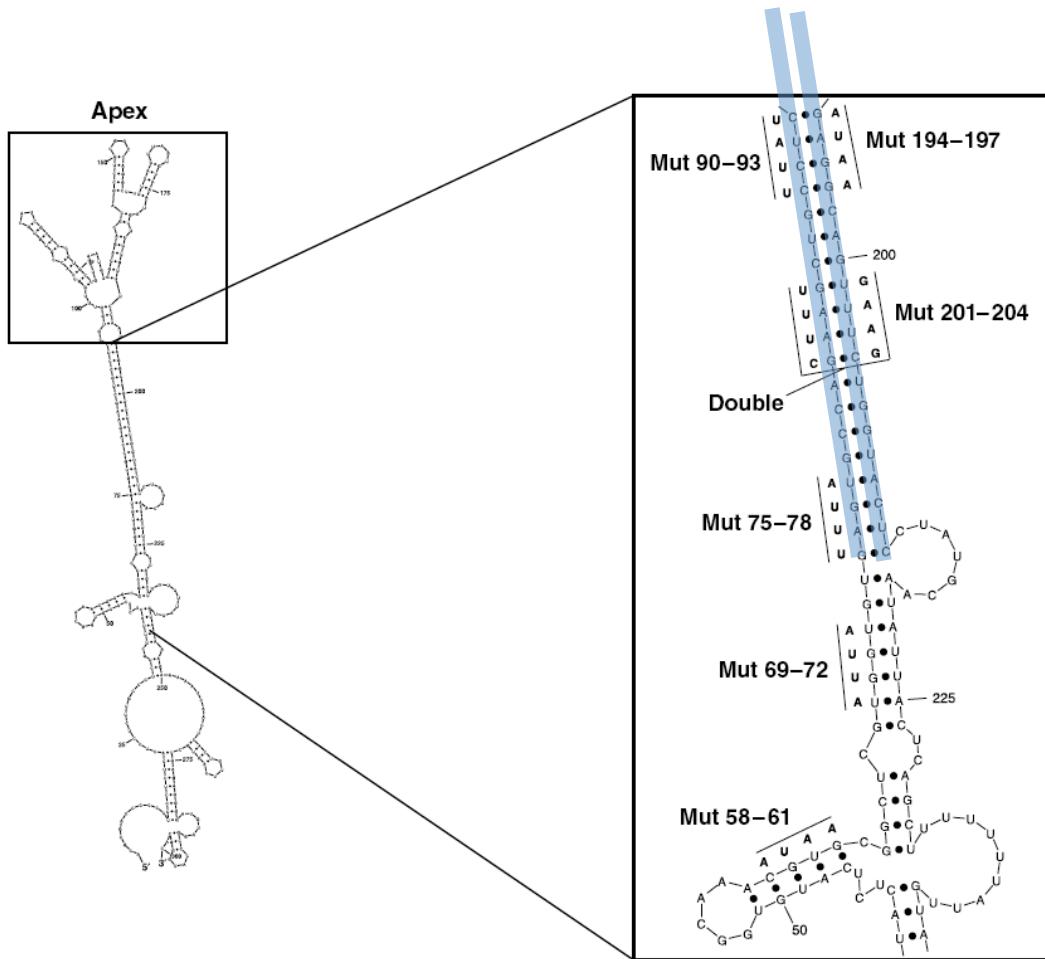
# Staufen (dsRBD3) binds optimally to 12bp uninterrupted stem in vitro



Probes:	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	12 <sub>A</sub>	12 <sub>B</sub>
	CC	CC							
	C C	C C	C C	C C	C C	C C	C C	C C	C C
	A-U	U-A	A-U	U-A	A-U	U-A	A-U	U-A	U-A
	U-A	A-U	U-A	A-U	U-A	A-U	U-A	A-U	A-U
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	G-C	C-G	G-C	C-G	G-C	C-G	G-C	C-G	C-G
	G-C	G-C							
	G-C	G-C							
	G-C	G-C							
								U G-C U	
									C-G
									G-C
									G-C
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North-western blot showing binding of wild-type dsRBD3 to RNA stem-loops

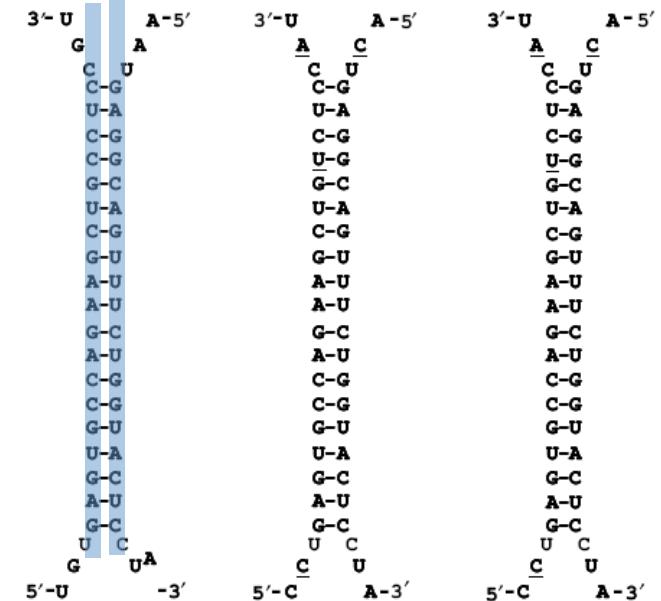
# Human Staufen binds a 19bp dsRNA in human



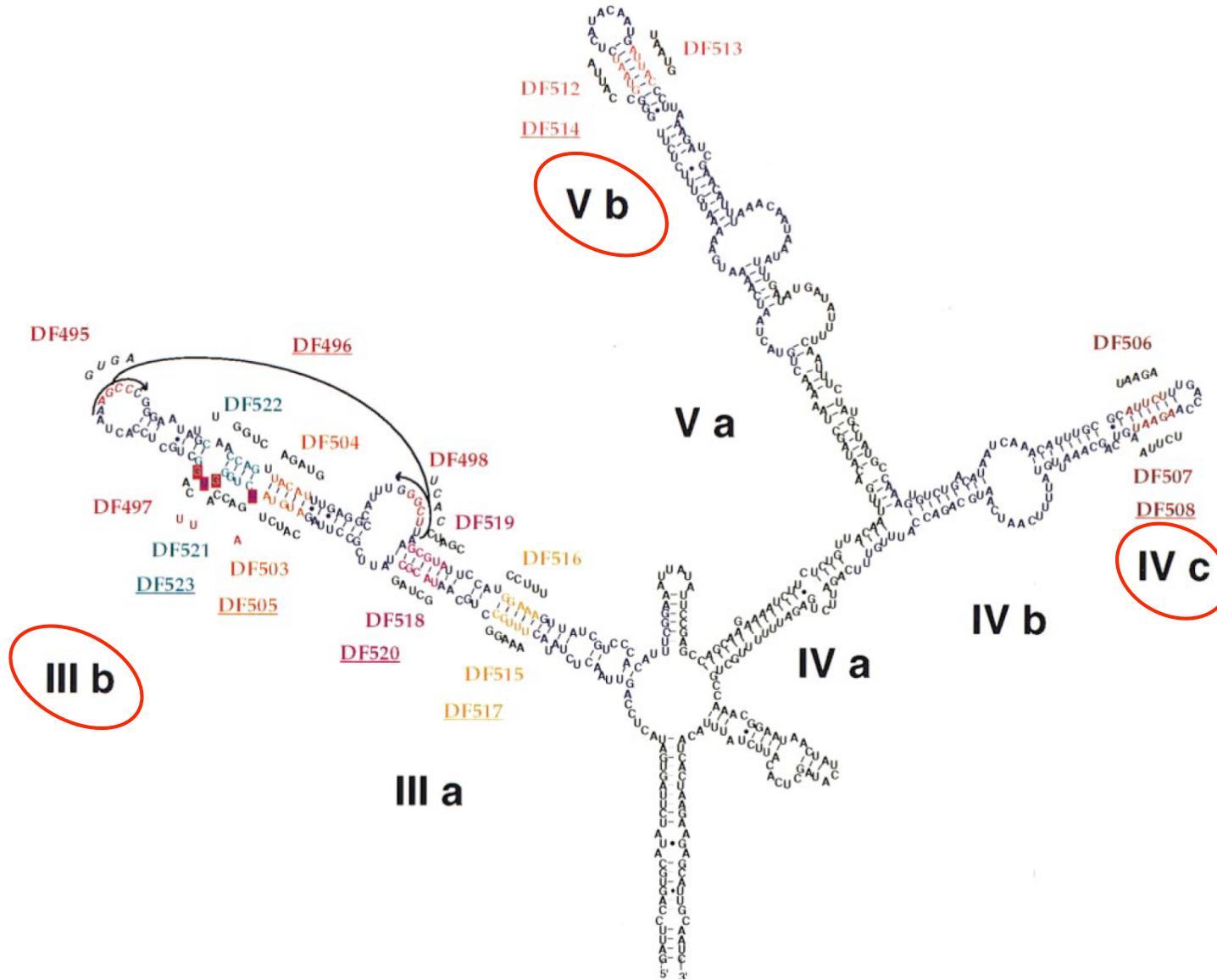
human ARF1 Staufen binding site (SBS) 3'UTR nt 1-300

The SBSs within c-JUN, SERPINE1, IL7R and GAP43 mRNAs do not contain an uninterrupted stem that is more than 12 bp

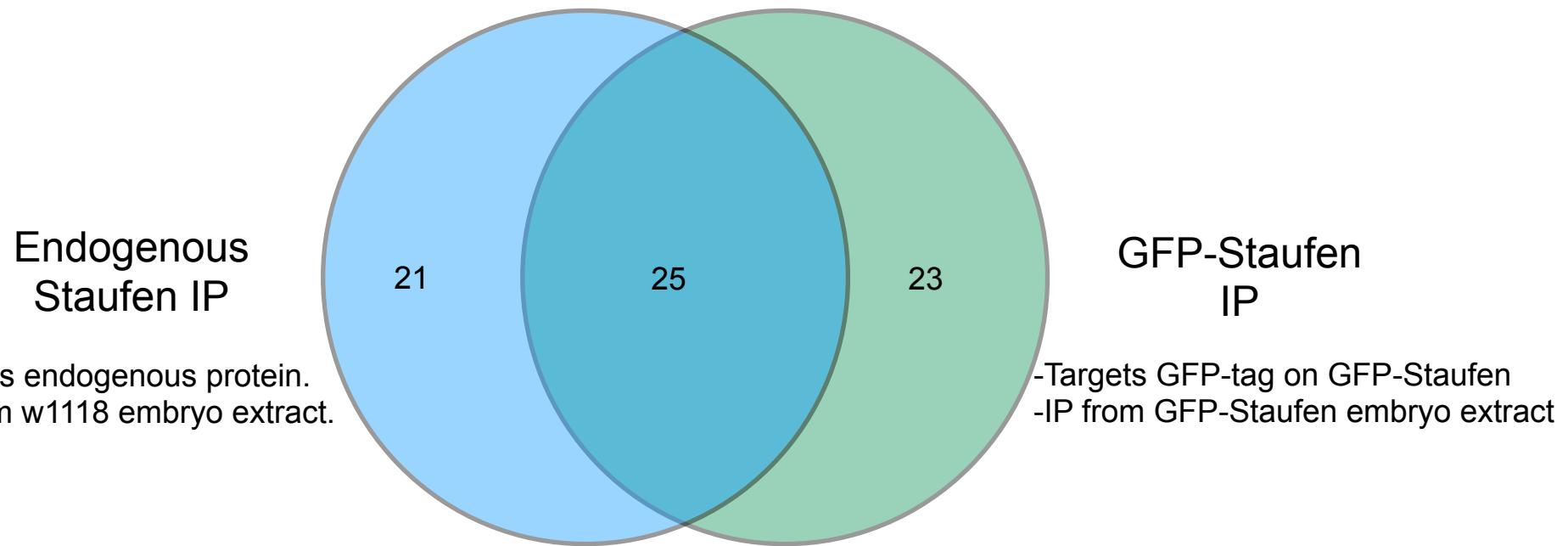
The 19-bp stem conserved



# Fly Staufen binds bicoid 3'UTR in three locations



# *Drosophila* Staufen targets in embryos were identified using two RIP-Chip experiments



John Laver



Kristin Ancevicius

**What does Staufen bind?**

# Paired region motifs

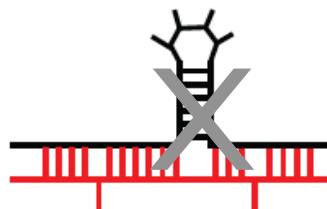


# Stems

# Refined stems

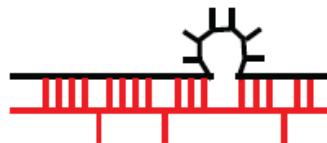
**15 of 19; 10 of 12**

e.g. 15 of 19



**[19,15]; [12,10]**

**[19,15]**



**[19,15,0]  
[19,15,4]  
[12,10,2]**

↑ ↓ mismatches  
↔ unpaired bases

**[19,15,4]**



# Stems enriched in Drosophila Staufen targets

**Structure motif description:**

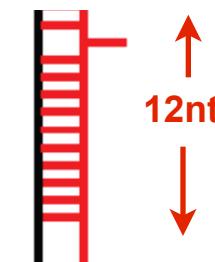
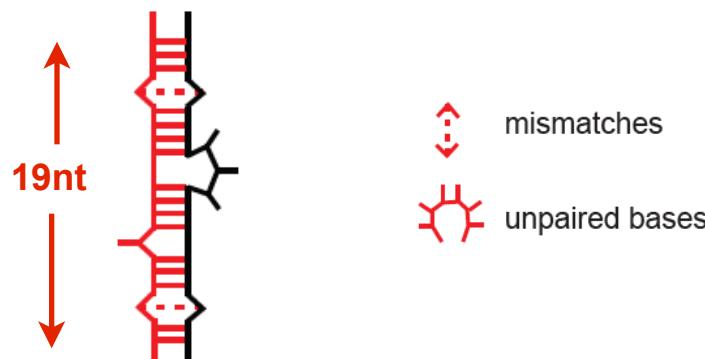
[19,15]

[12,10]

**Stem** spanning **19** bps with at least **15** Watson-Crick paired bases

**Stem** spanning **12** bps with at least **10** Watson-Crick paired bases

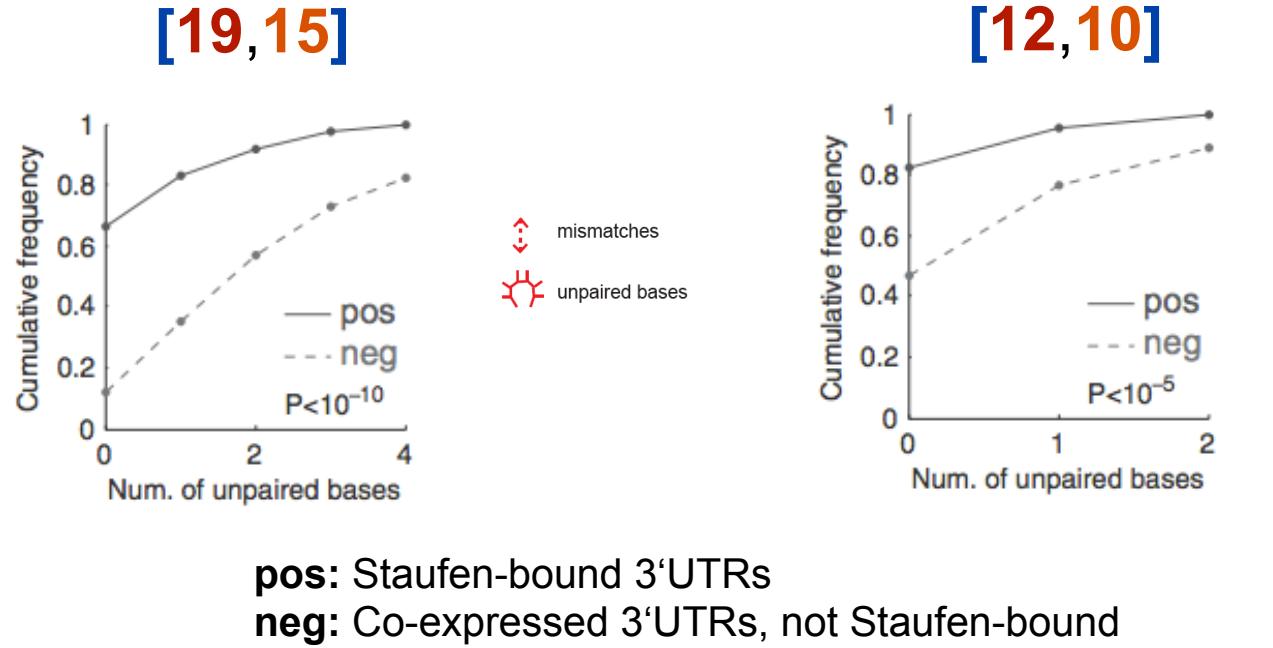
**Representative structures:**



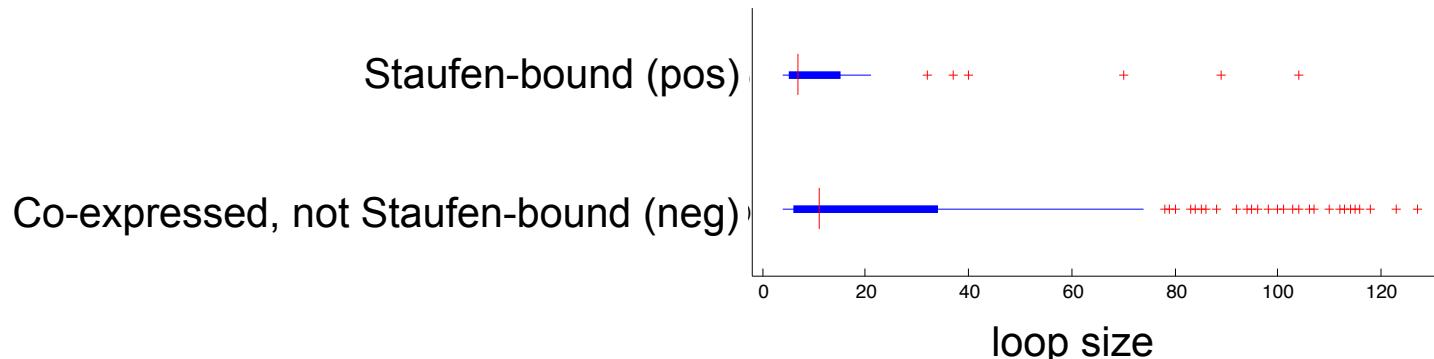
# Distinguishing features of Staufen-bound stems

## *Distinguishing features:*

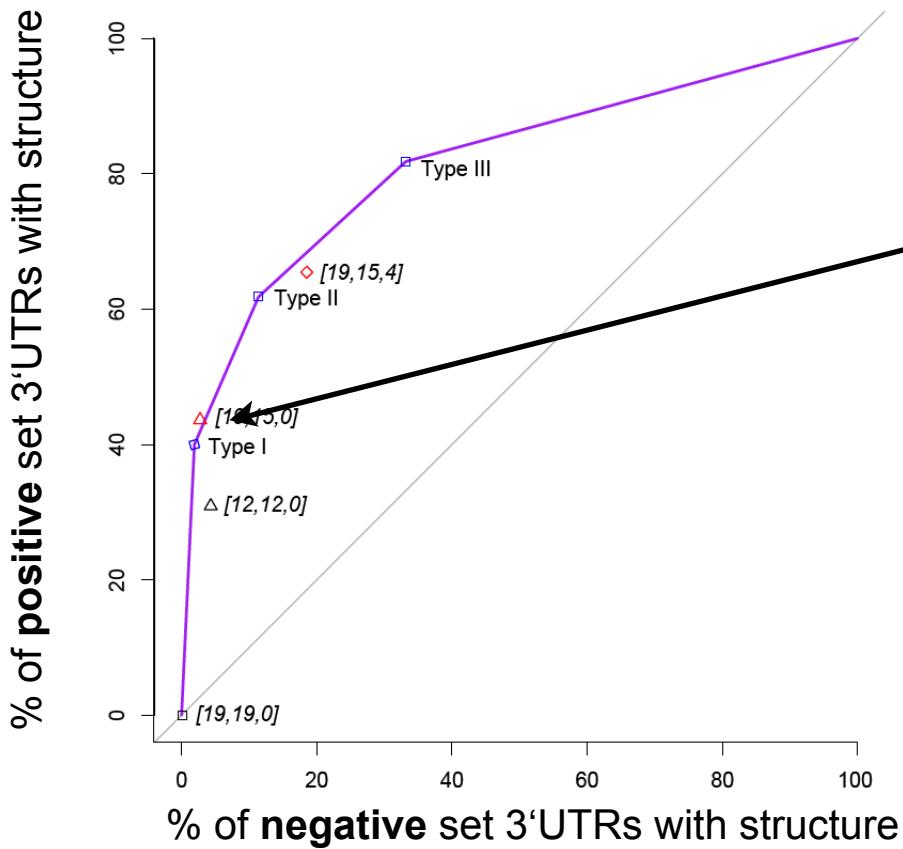
### 1) “Balanced” stems



### 2) Short stems occur near end of stem-loops:



# Staufen-recognized structures (SRSs)



'Best structure':

**[19, 15, 0]**



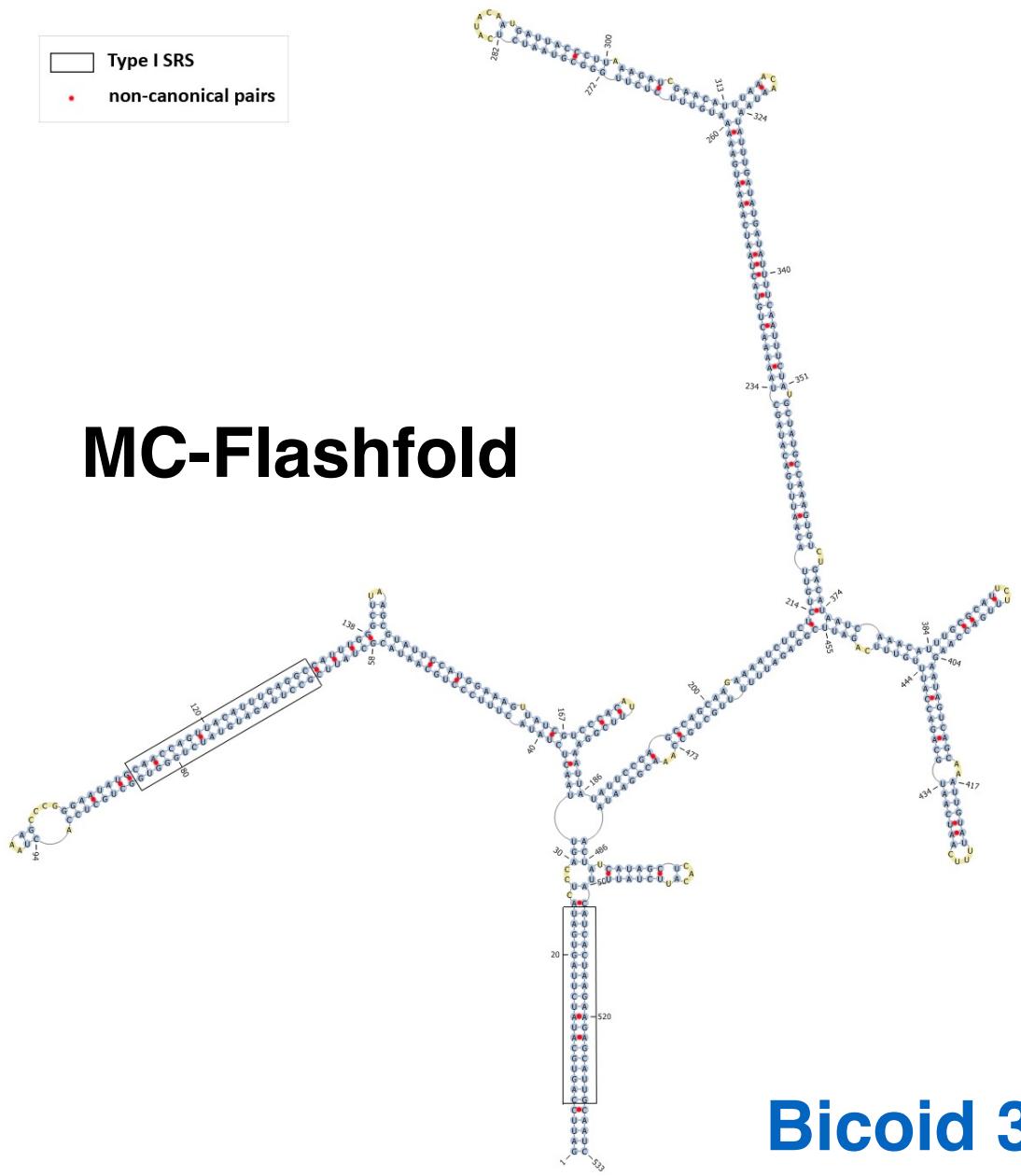
[19, 15] with 0 unpaired bases (i.e. all non-paired bases are 'mismatches')

**20-fold enrichment  
(40% vs 2%) in  
Staufen-bound set**

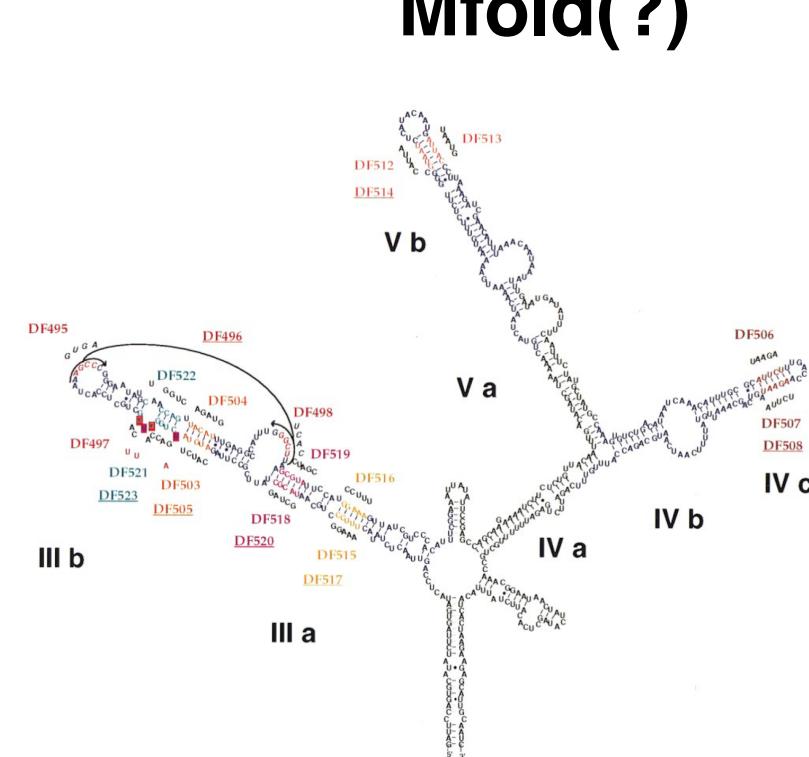
w/ Jerome Waldspühl lab:

- 1) no G-G mismatches in positive set!
- 2) Negative set structures have high entropy
- 3) Positive set structures are highly conserved

# Non-canonical basepairing helps find Staufen sites



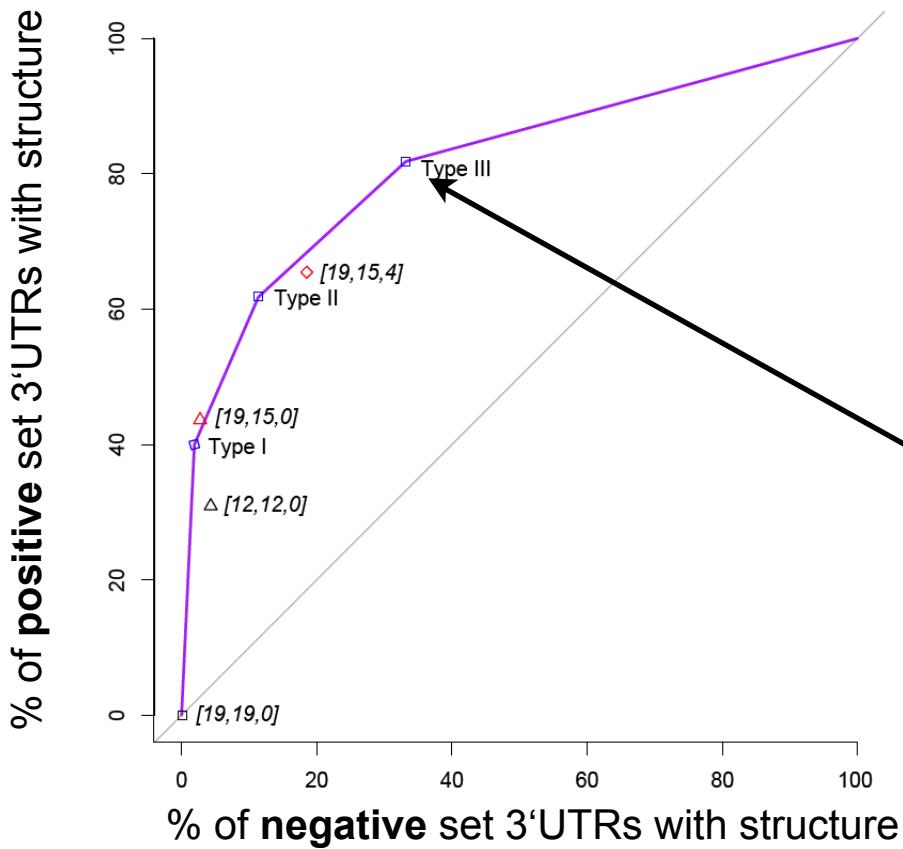
Bicoid 3'UTR



Kate Niu



# Staufen-recognized structures (SRSs)



**'Best structure':**

**[19, 15, 0]**



[19, 15] with 0 unpaired bases (i.e. all non-paired bases are 'mismatches')

**'Minimum structure':**

**[12, 10, 2]**



[12, 10] with no more than 2 unpaired bases, occurs near end of stem-loop

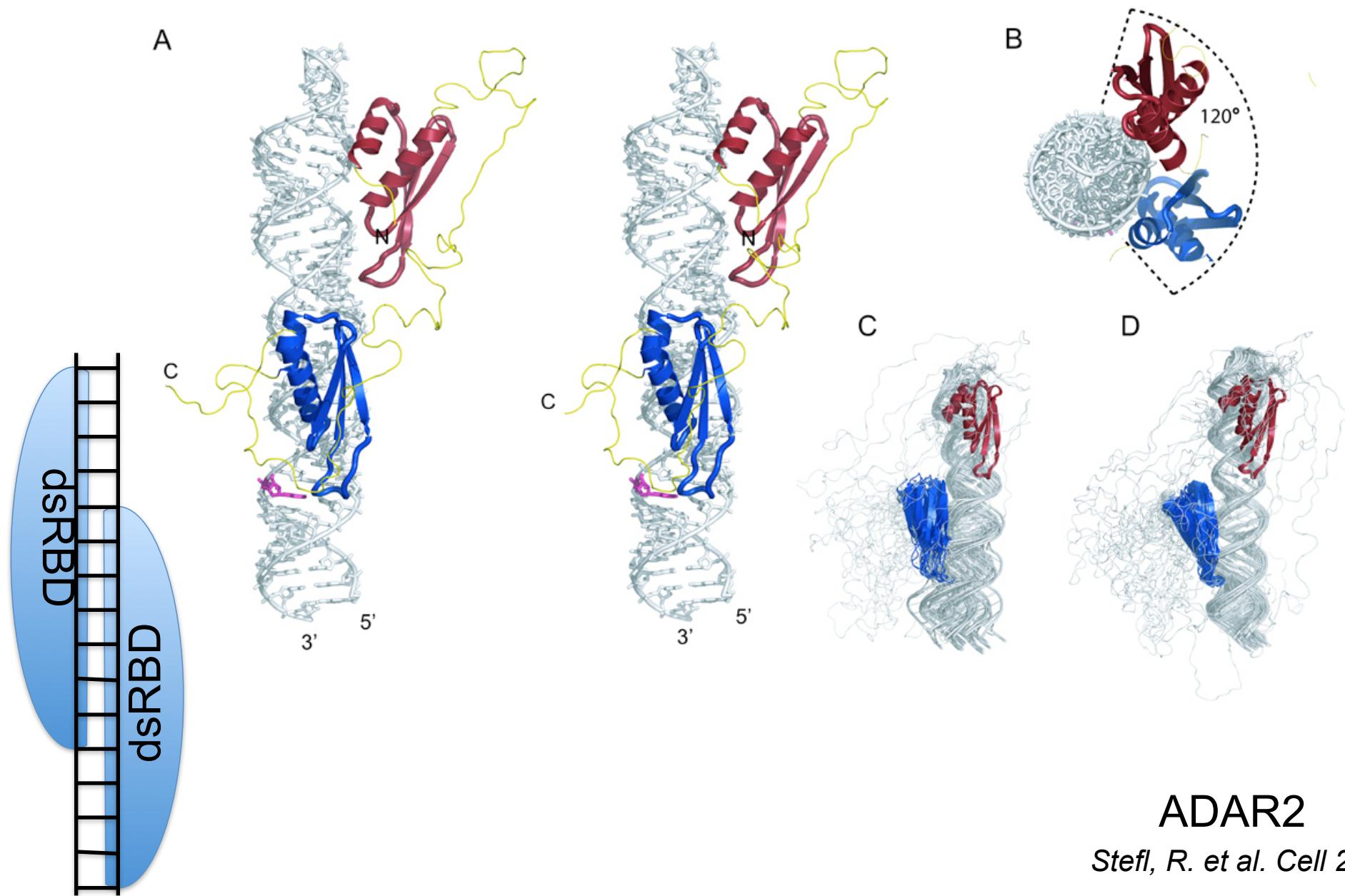
Genome-wide analysis of Staufen-associated mRNAs identifies secondary structures that confer target specificity

John D. Laver<sup>1</sup>, Xiao Li<sup>1</sup>, Kristin Ancevicius<sup>2,3</sup>, J. Timothy Westwood<sup>2,3,\*</sup>, Craig A. Smibert<sup>1,4,\*</sup>, Quaid D. Morris<sup>1,5,\*</sup> and Howard D. Lipshtiz<sup>1</sup>

[Nucleic Acids Res.](#) 2013 Nov 1;41(20):9438-60. doi: 10.1093/nar/gkt702. Epub 2013 Aug 13.



# ADAR2 has two dsRNA that bind a 16-bp stem



# Re-analysis of Human Stau1 data

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Staufen1 senses overall transcript secondary structure to regulate translation

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Erin E Heyer<sup>1-3</sup>, Ami Ashar-Patel<sup>1-3</sup>, Lingtao Peng<sup>1-3</sup> & Melissa J Moore<sup>1-3</sup>

**Question #1:** Are our Drosophila SRSs predictive of Human Stau1 binding?

- Yes!

**Question #2:** Does the same analysis applied to Stau1 data produce similar structures?

- See next slide

**Question #3:** Does Human Stau1 detect “overall transcript secondary structure” or the presence (and abundance) of specific secondary structures?

- *“Overall transcript secondary structure” and GC content are no longer predictive of Stau1 binding once you account for the abundance of two specific secondary structures.*

# Re-analysis of Human Stau1 data

1: Find enriched  
'paired regions'



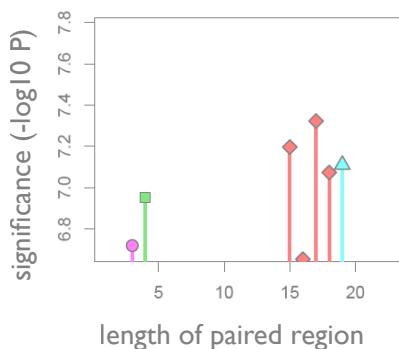
2: Remove redundant  
enrichments



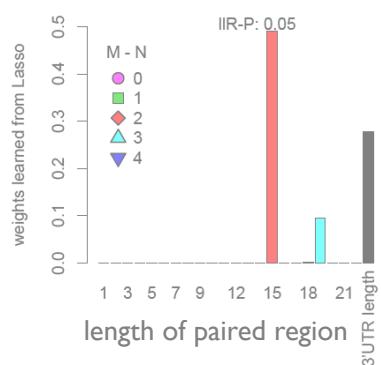
3: Filter for stems



4: Analyze stem  
properties



13of15; 16of19



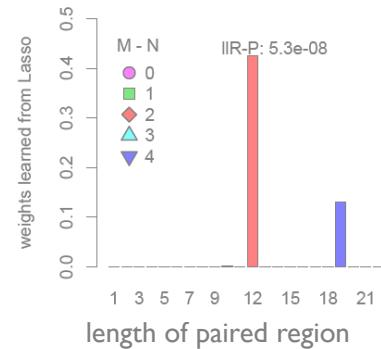
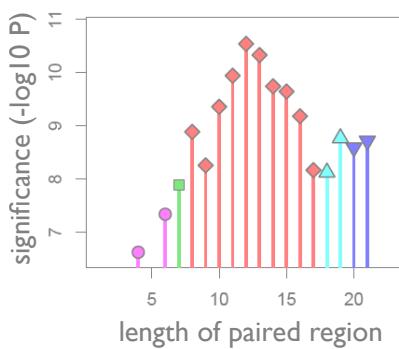
[15,13]; [16,19]

Sig. larger % of paired  
regions in Staufen-bound  
set are actually stems.

Stems in bound set are  
more balanced

[15,13],  $p = 0.4$   
[19,16],  $p < 0.01$

[15,13] loops are  
smaller in Staufen-  
bound set,  
 $p < 0.01$



10of12; 15of19

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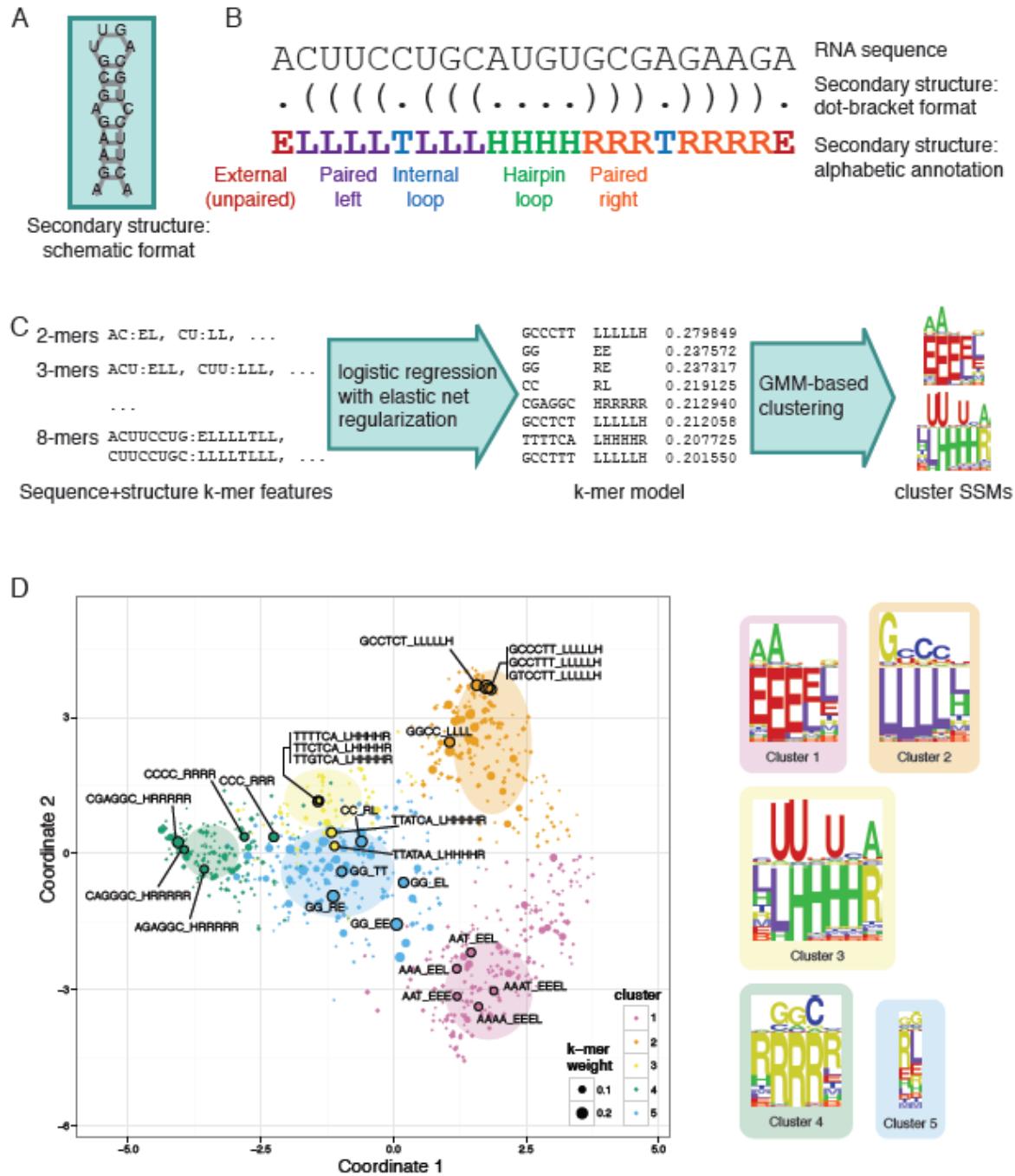
[12,10],  $p < 10^{-5}$   
[19,15],  $p < 10^{-10}$

[12,10] loops are  
smaller in Staufen-  
bound set,  
 $p < 10^{-5}$

# Summary

- 1: Like Drosophila Staufen, human Stau1 has at least two binding modes
- 2: Human Stau1 and Drosophila Staufen recognize a similar “best structure”, [19,16,0] vs [19,15,0], but may differ on the “minimum structure”, [15,13] vs [12,10].
- 3: Differences may arise from lack of dsRBD1 in human Stau1 and lack of SSM in Drosophila Stau
- 4: No evidence that human Stau1 recognizes ‘overall transcript structure’ except when it generates one of the two structural motifs that we found.

# Computationally-derived motif for SLBP

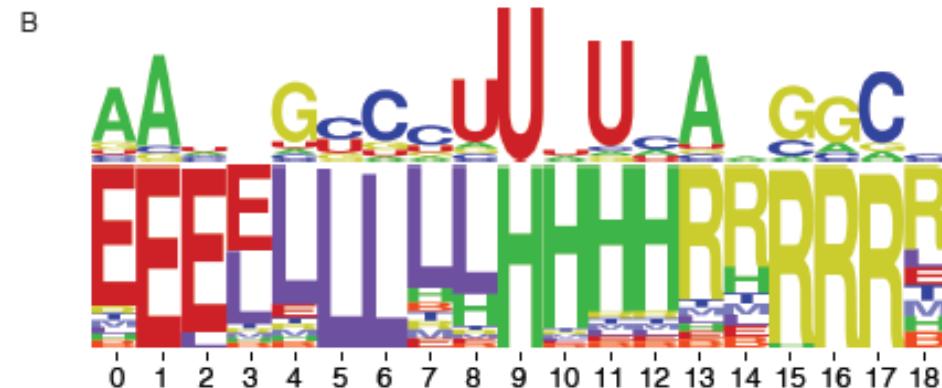
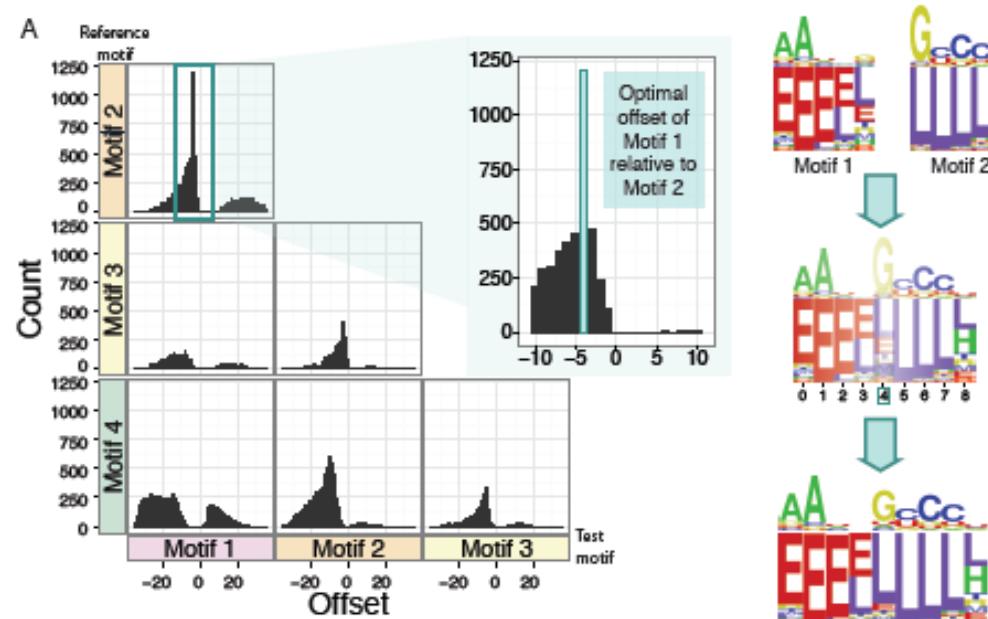


## SSMfinder

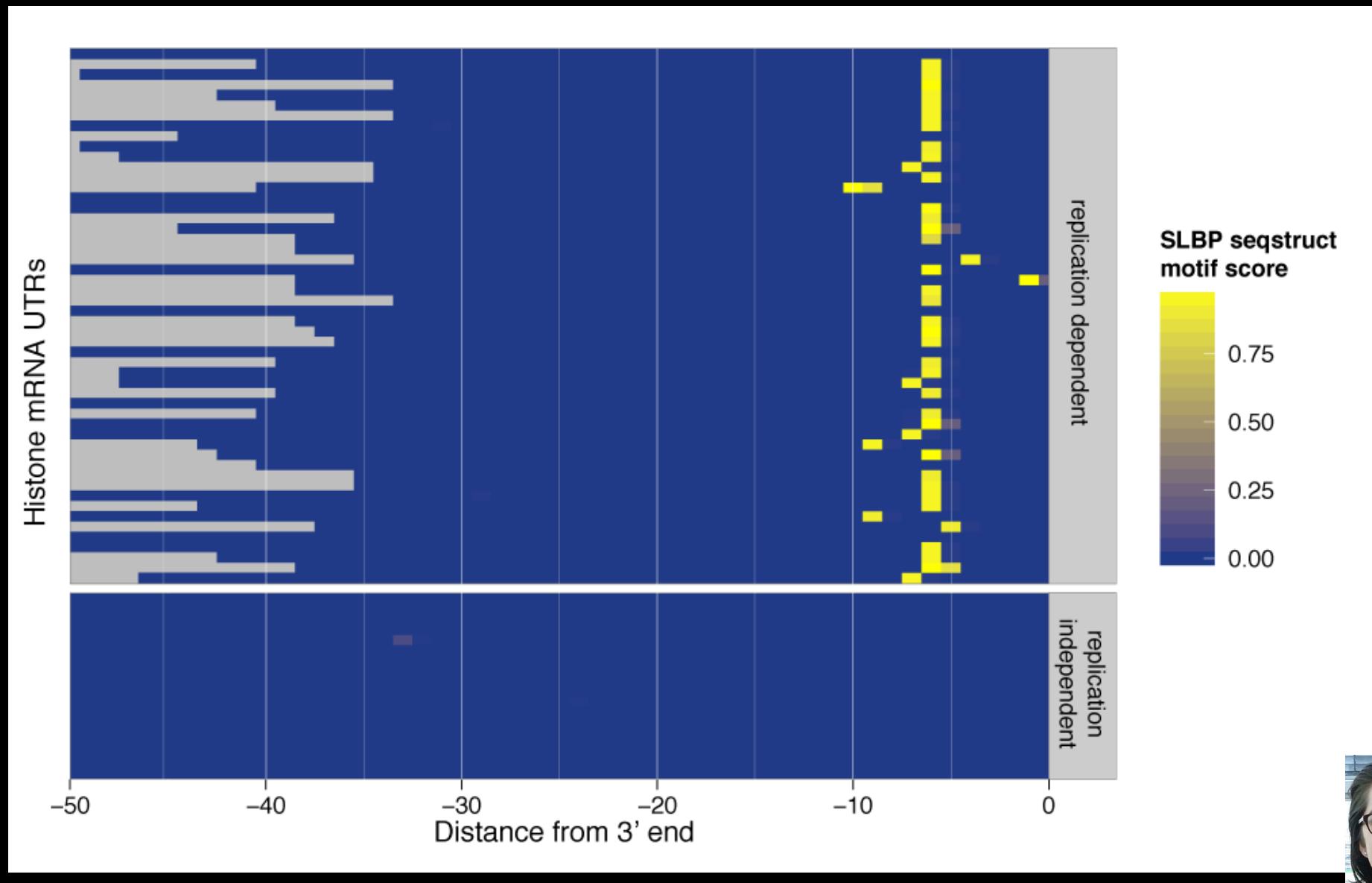
- Fold sequences and annotate structural context\*\*\*
- Find enriched k-mers (seq and struct)
- Cluster k-mers
- Order and overlap clusters (next slide)



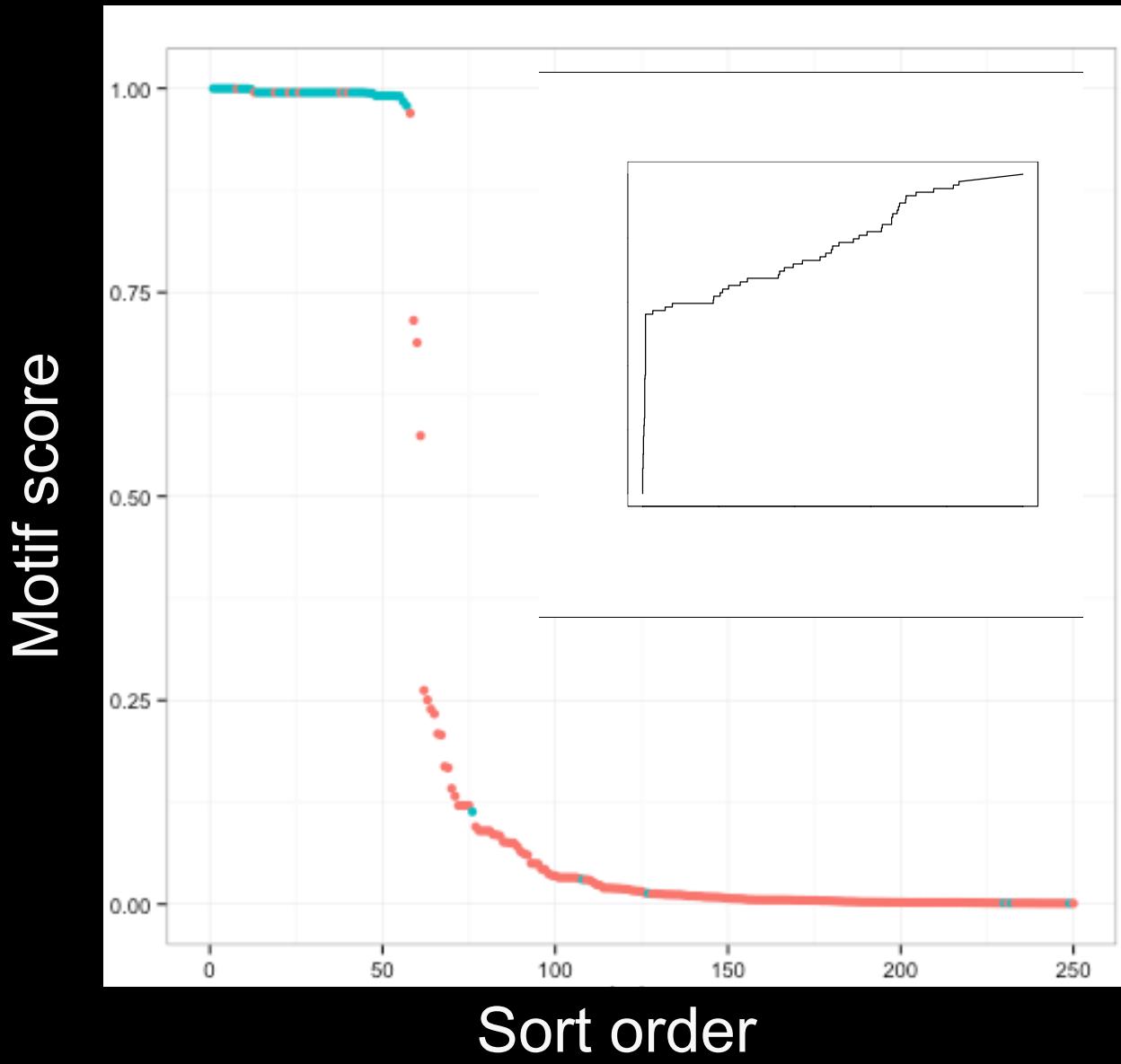
# Ordering and overlapping SLBP clusters



# RNAcompete-S derived SLBP motif is present predominantly at histone 3' ends



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Replication-  
dependent histones  
Other genes



# Eukaryote-wide mapping of RBP sequence binding preferences

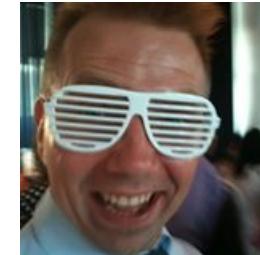
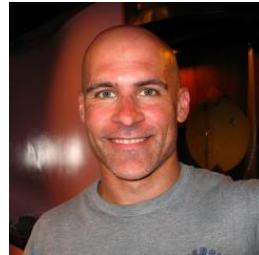
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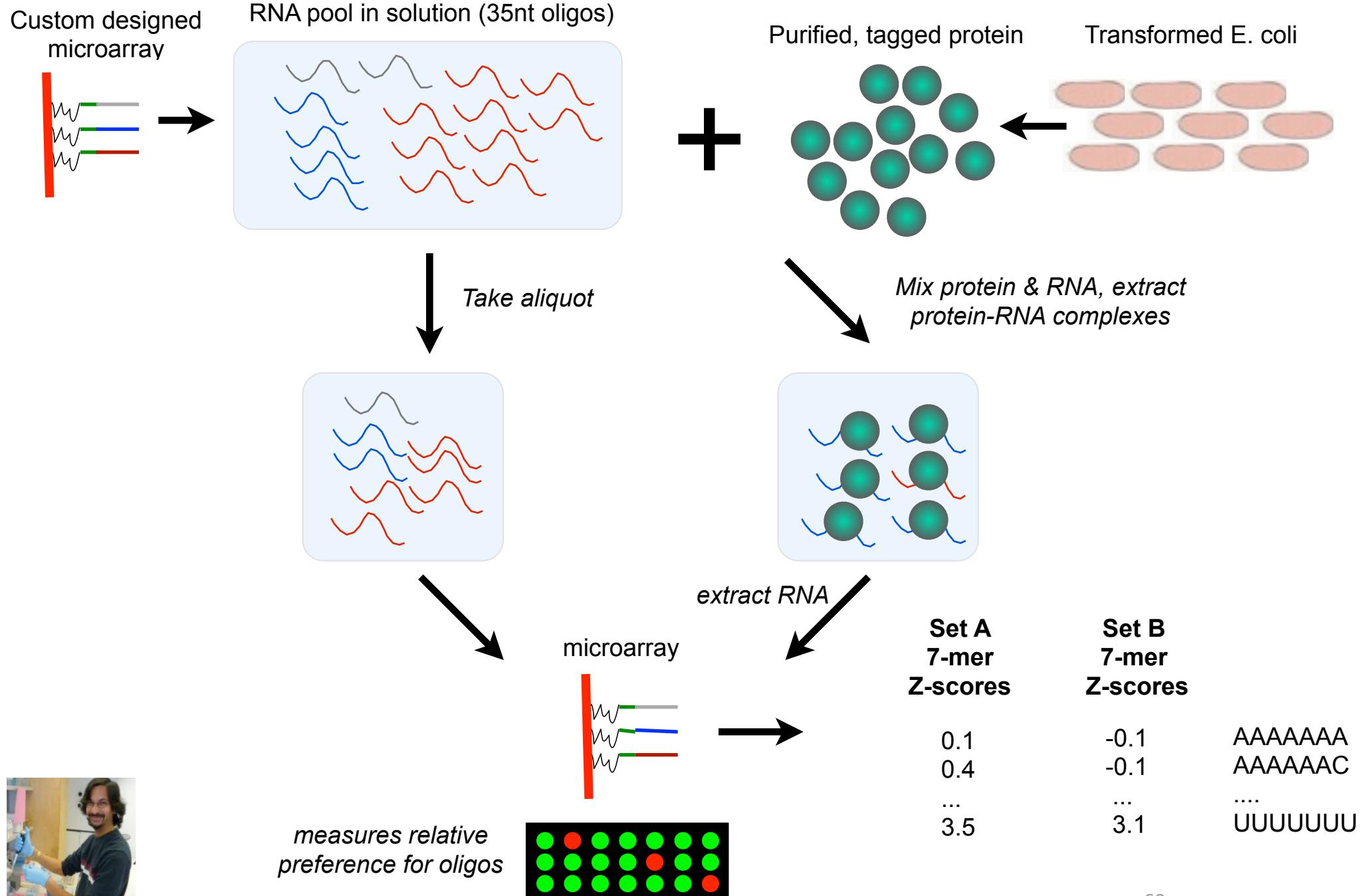


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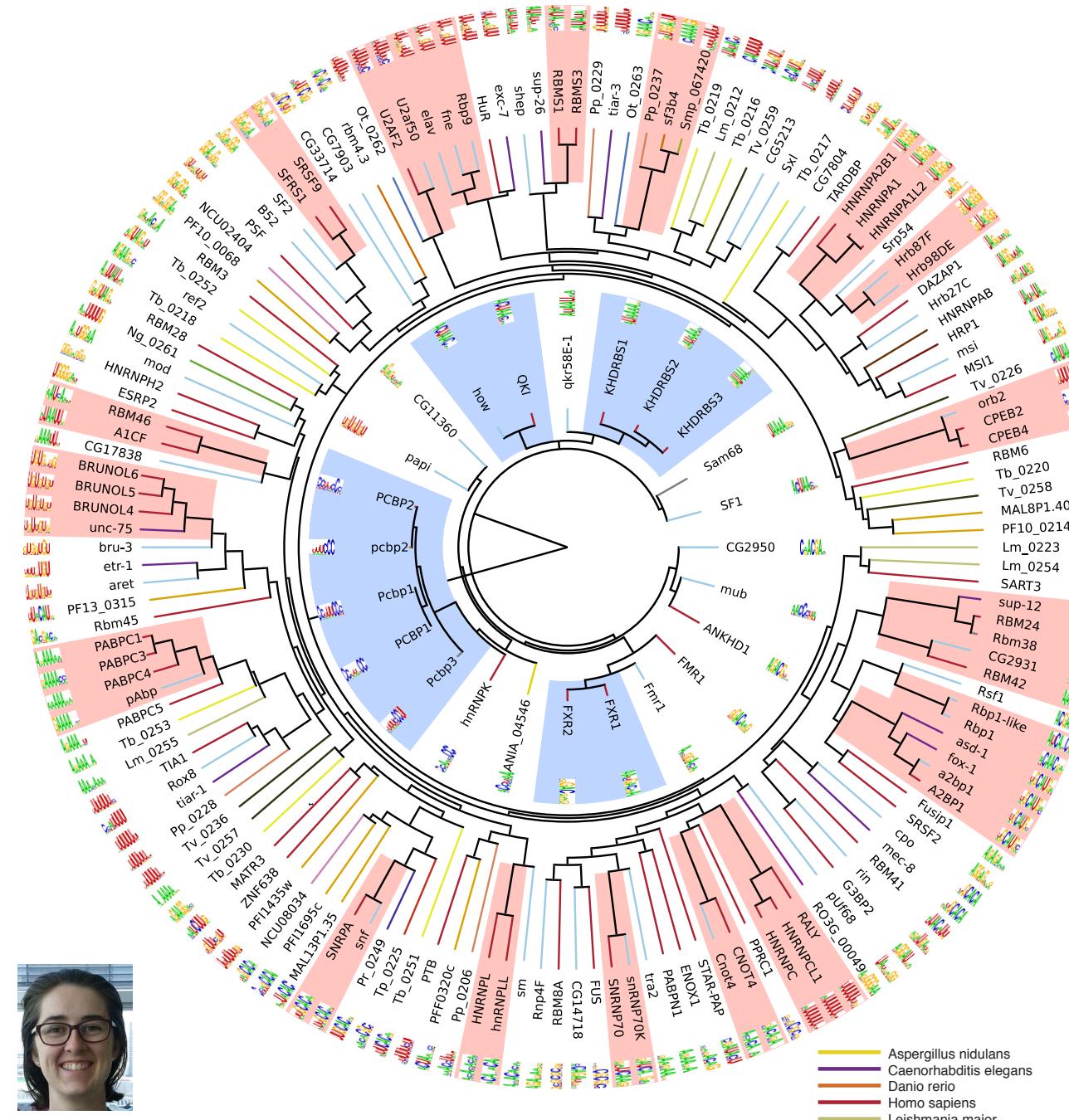


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# RNAcompete-based measurement of RBP RNA binding



# In vitro sequence preferences of >200 RBPs



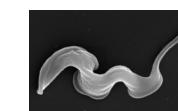
# 209 sequence-specific RBPs profiled



85 RBPs  
31%\* of genome



61 RBPs  
36%\* of genome



73 RBPs  
<1% of eukaryote  
genomes



61

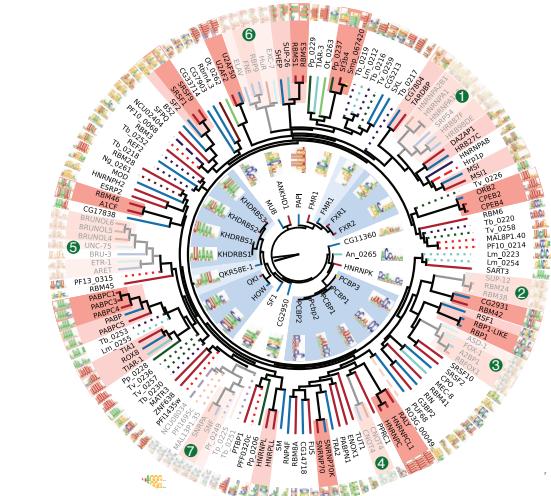
(Ray\*, Kazan\*, Cook\*, Najafabadi\*, Weirauch\* et al, Nature 2013, in press)

# Analysis of RBP secondary structure preferences

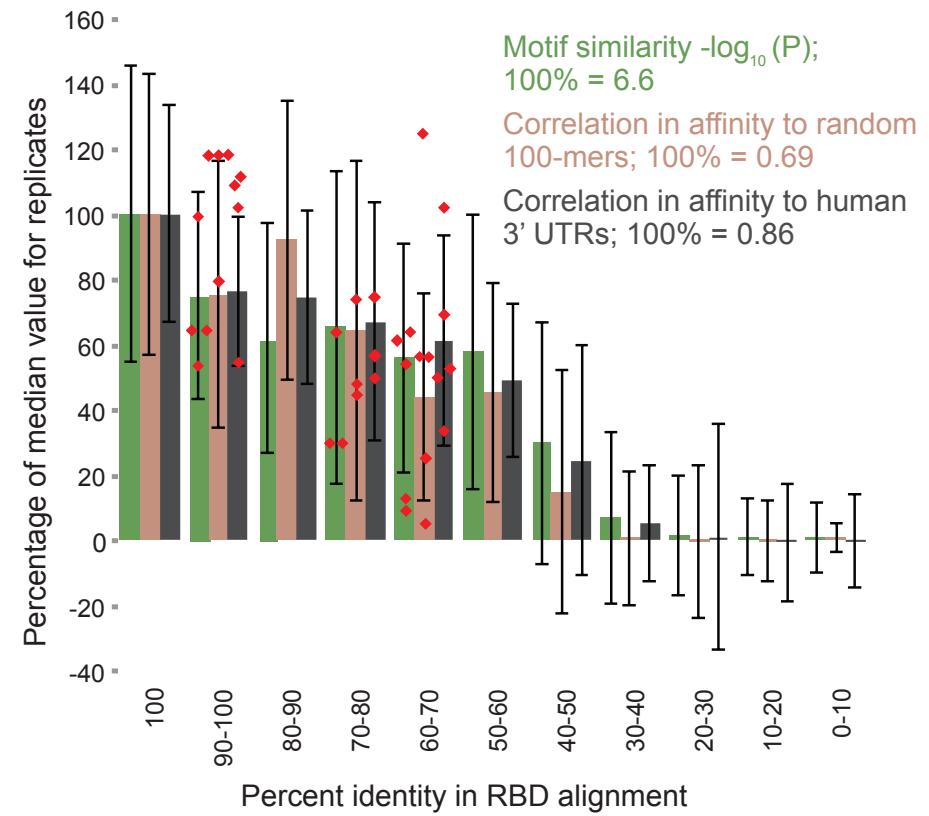
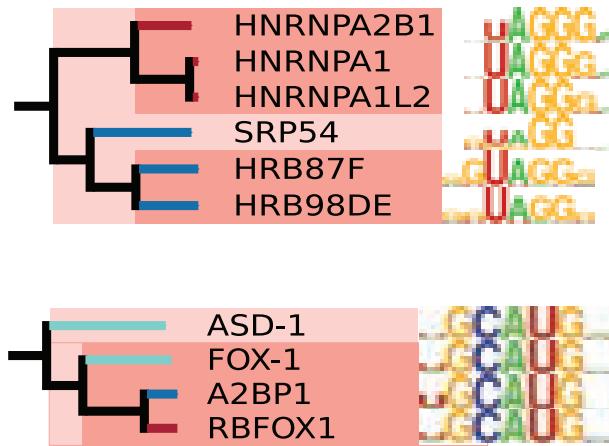
- RNA oligos in RNCompete were designed to have no or weak secondary structure
- Nonetheless, we were able to detect a **significant preference for ssRNA for 55 of the RBPs (no RBPs preferred dsRNA)**
- 7 showed a preference **for** binding loops
- 15 showed a bias **against** binding loops



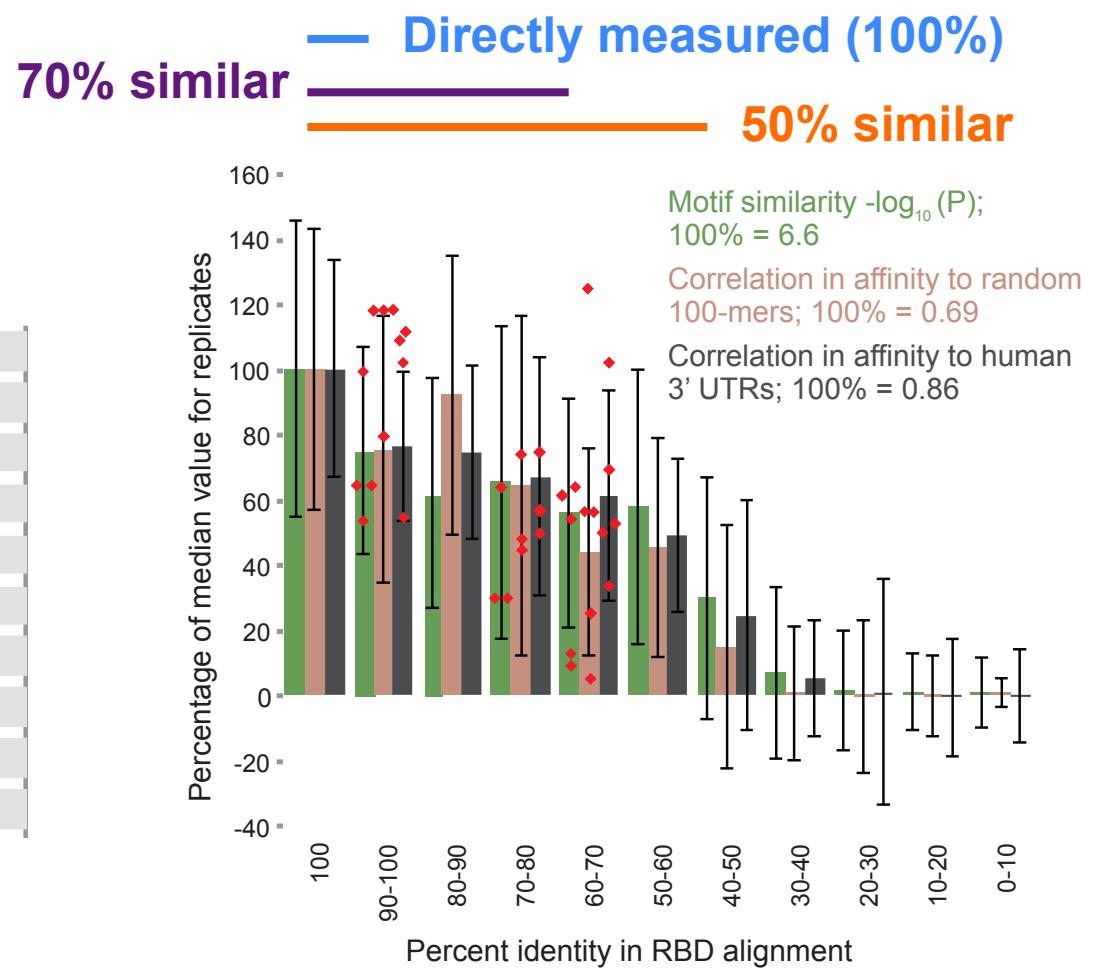
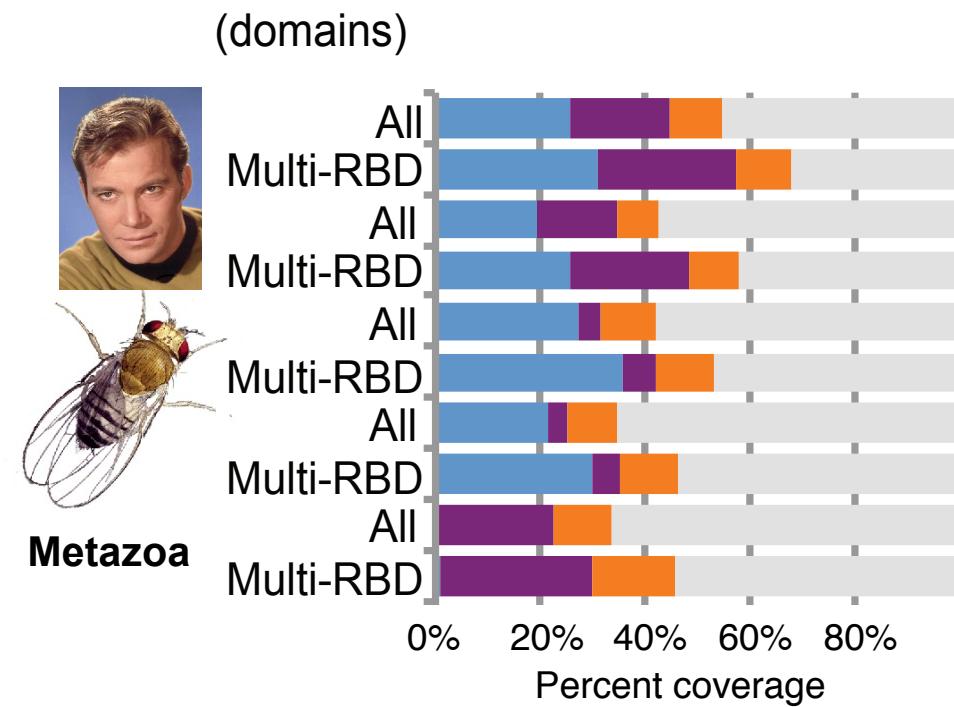
# Similar protein sequence implies similar motifs



Zoom in



# Inferring RBP motifs by protein sequence identity



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## Search for a RBP

By Identifier   
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## Browse RBPs / Restrict Search for RBPs

By Model Organism   
By Any Species   
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Database Build

*Latest build: 0.5*

**GO!**

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Current database contents: 7753 RBP binding motifs(238 from direct experiments), out of a total of 62587 Eukaryotic RBPs from 55 families in 289 species

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We are continuing with this project...please contact me (or Quaid) if you have a specific protein or species of interest!

**a1cf (*Danio rerio*)  
RRM****RBP Information**

Pfam ID	Interpro ID	Gene ID	CISBP-RNA ID	Sequence source
<a href="#">PF00076 (RRM_1)</a>	<a href="#">IPR000504</a>	<a href="#">ENSDARG00000002968</a>	<a href="#">T36035_0.5</a>	<a href="#">Ensembl (2011-Oct-26)</a>

**Directly determined binding motifs**

Name/Motif ID	Species	Sequence Logo	IUPAC	Type/Study/Study ID	RBD Identity
No direct experiments					

**Motifs from related RBPs**

Name/Motif ID	Species	Sequence Logo	IUPAC	Type/Study/Study ID	RBD Identity
<a href="#">A1CF M001_0.5</a>	<i>Homo sapiens</i>		WUAAUUR	<a href="#">RNAcompete Ray et al.(2012) RNCMPT00001</a>	0.848

For this family, RBPs with RBD identity > **0.7** will likely have a similar motif

# Summary

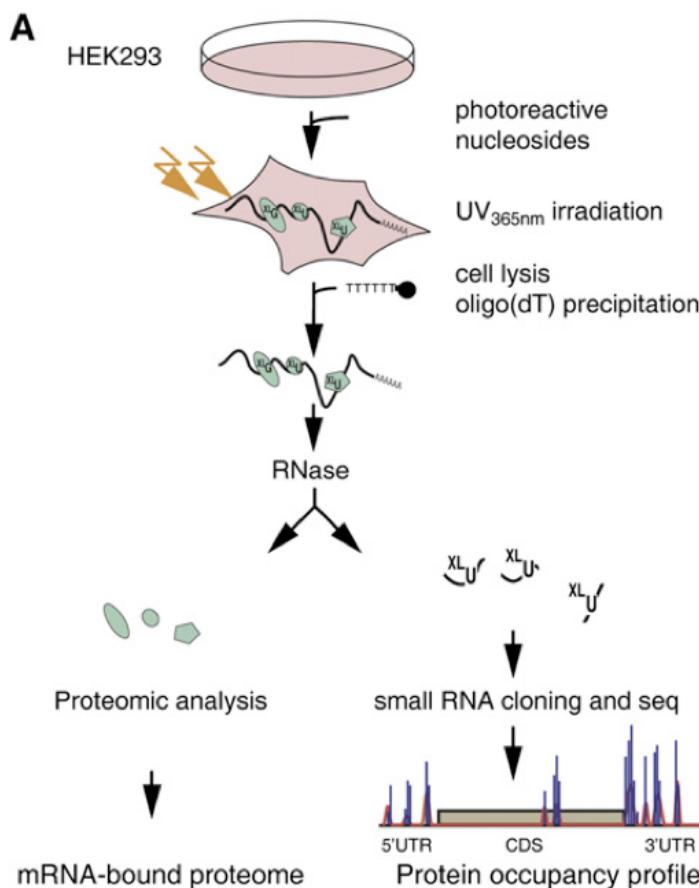
- We have RNA sequence motifs for 209 RBPs
- Can infer motifs for 1,000s more RBPs by homology, including 57% of human RBP complement and 30% of metazoan RBPs
- Motif scans allow the prediction of RBP function based on location of conserved motif hits and simple correlation analysis.

# A bunch of different motifs from different species (selected from >100)

RRM	AT3G55460	Plantae	<i>Arabidopsis_thaliana</i>	
RRM	PK27672.1	Plantae	<i>Cannabis_sativa</i>	
RRM	PK26404.1	Plantae	<i>Cannabis_sativa</i>	
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RRM	PK23225.1	Plantae	<i>Cannabis_sativa</i>	
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RRM	PFI1175c	Protista	<i>Plasmodium_falciparum</i>	
RRM	Smp_036270	Protista	<i>Schistosoma_mansoni</i>	
RRM	Smp_032060	Protista	<i>Schistosoma_mansoni</i>	
RRM x 2	DDB_G0286331	Amoebozoa	<i>Dictyostelium_discoideum</i>	
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RRM x 3	DDB_G0270634	Amoebozoa	<i>Dictyostelium_discoideum</i>	
RRM x 3	CBG15837	Animalia	<i>Caenorhabditis briggsae</i>	

# New RBPs identified recently by mass spectrometry



## The mRNA-Bound Proteome and Its Global Occupancy Profile on Protein-Coding Transcripts

Alexander G. Baltz,<sup>1,3</sup> Mathias Munschauer,<sup>1,3</sup> Björn Schwanhäusser,<sup>1</sup> Alexandra Vasile,<sup>1</sup> Yasuhiro Murakawa,<sup>1</sup> Markus Schueler,<sup>1</sup> Noah Youngs,<sup>2</sup> Duncan Penfold-Brown,<sup>2</sup> Kevin Drew,<sup>2</sup> Miha Milek,<sup>1</sup> Emanuel Wyler,<sup>1</sup> Richard Bonneau,<sup>2</sup> Matthias Selbach,<sup>1</sup> Christoph Dieterich,<sup>1</sup> and Markus Landthaler<sup>1,\*</sup>

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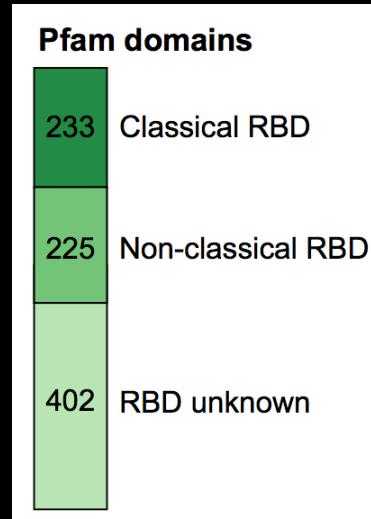
## Insights into RNA Biology from an Atlas of Mammalian mRNA-Binding Proteins

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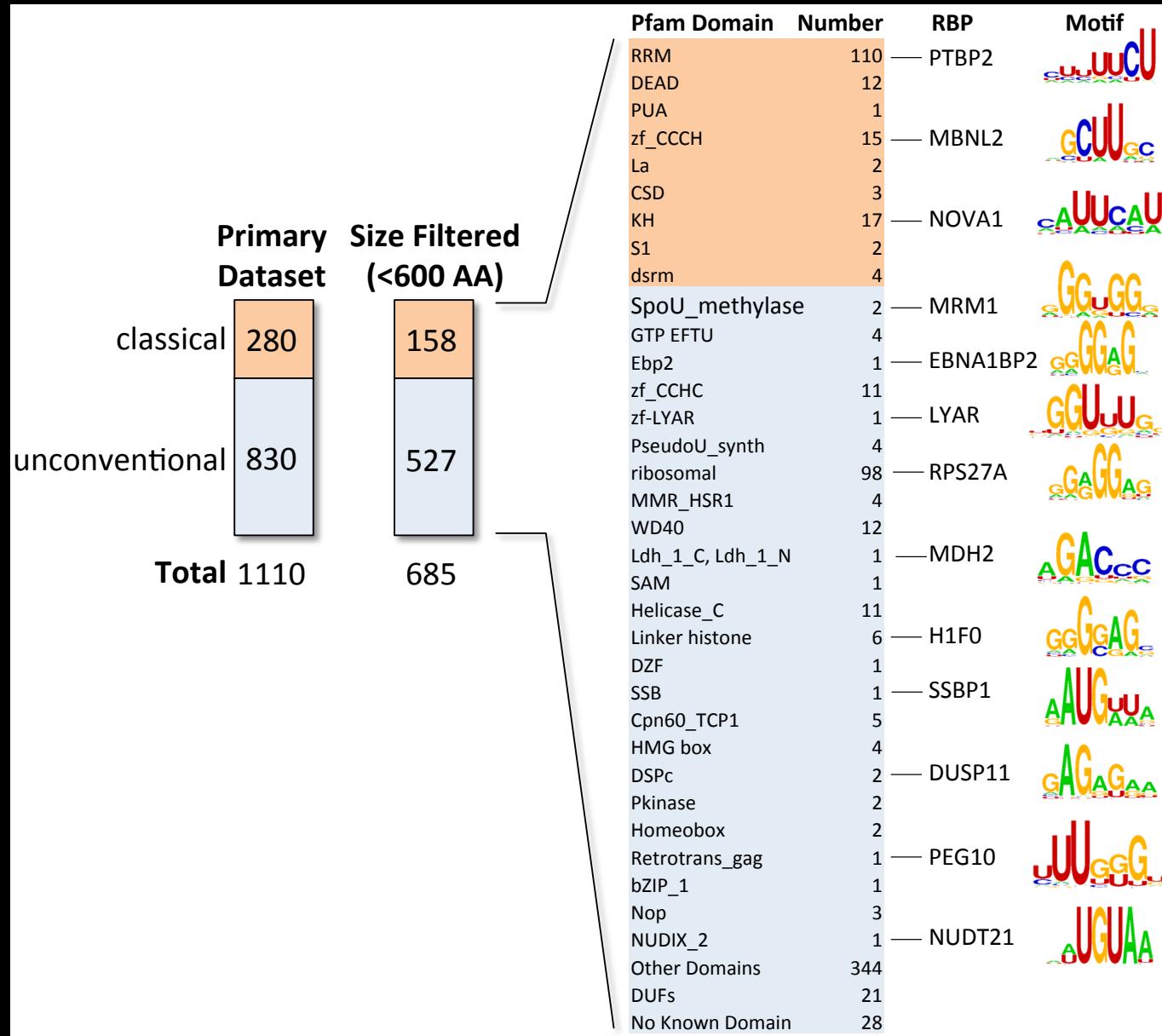
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# Human ucRBPs are often sequence specific (initial result: 9/37 = 24% yield motif)



Ribosomal protein

ssDNA binding protein,  
mitochondrial biogenesis

(Positive control)

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