B-WICH complex positively regulates rRNA expression

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Introduction

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B-WICH complex positively regulates rRNA expression

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Compartments: nucleoplasm

The B-WICH complex is a large 3 Mdalton complex containing SMARCA5 (SNF2H), BAZ1B (WSTF), ERCC6 (CSB), MYO1C (Nuclear myosin 1c), SF3B1, DEK, MYBBP1A, and DDX21 (Cavellan et al. 2006, Percipalle et al. 2006, Vintermist et al. 2001, Sarshad et al. 2013, Shen et al. 2013, reviewed in Percipalle and Farrants 2006). B-WICH is found at active rRNA genes as well as at 5S rRNA and 7SL RNA genes. B-WICH appears to remodel chromatin and recruit histone acetyltransferases that modify histones to transcriptionally active states.

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Active rRNA genes are bound by the B-WICH multiprotein complex (Cavellan et al. 2006, Percipalle et al. 2006). B-WICH binds the promoter region of the gene (Percipalle et al. 2006, Sarshad et al. 2013). The MYO1C component of the B-WICH complex binds chromatin and interacts with SMARCA5. Binding causes 200 bp of chromatin at the promoter to adopt a more open configuration and contributes to epigenetic modifications compatible with transcription activation (Vintermist et al. 2011, Sarshad et al. 2013). At the rRNA gene promoter the SMARCA5-MYOIC interaction is excluded when MYOIC interacts with actin in complex with RNA polymerase I (Sarshad et al. 2013). Binding of MYOIC to chromatin is regulated by GSK3beta-dependent phosphorylation that targets the MYOIC chromatin binding domain (Sarshad et al. 2014). Binding of MYOIC to the RNA polymerase I is partly mediated via phosphorylated TIF1A (Philimonenko et al. 2004). Binding of B-WICH to rRNA genes requires MYOIC to be recruited to active rRNA genes and this mechanism appears to be a requirement to activate and maintain transcription by RNA polymerase I (Percipalle et al. 2006, Sarshad et al. 2013, Sarshad et al. 2014, reviewed in Sarshad and Percipalle 2014).

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B-WICH recruits histone acetyltransferases

**Location:** B-WICH complex positively regulates rRNA expression

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**Type:** binding

**Compartments:** nucleoplasm

Direct interactions between BAZ1B (WSTF) and histone acetyltransferases KAT2B, KAT2A, and EP300 are weak (Vintermist et al. 2011) so the acetyltransferases may interact with other subunits of B-WICH or with proteins not in the B-WICH complex. The ERCC6 (CSB) component of B-WICH and MYOIC interact with KAT2B (PCAF) (Sarshad et al. 2013, Shen et al. 2013). The histone acetyltransferases are believed to acetylate histone H3 at lysine9 in rDNA since this modification is reduced in WSTF and MYOIC knockdown cells (Vintermist et al. 2011, Sarshad et al. 2013). Knockdown of KAT2B causes loss of acetylation on histone H4 and on histone H3 at lysine9 (Shen et al. 2013).

**Preceded by:** B-WICH complex binds rDNA promoter

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B-WICH: histone acetyltransferase acetylates histone H3 at lysine-9

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**Type:** transition

**Compartments:** nucleoplasm

Histone acetyltransferases recruited by the B-WICH complex acetylate histone H3 at lysine-9. Knockdown of the BAZ1B (WSTF) and MYOIC components of B-WICH cause a loss of histone acetyltransferases KAT2B (PCAF), KAT2A (GCN5), and EP300 (p300) and a reduction of acetylated histone H3. Knockdown of KAT2B (PCAF) causes a reduction in acetylation of histone H3 at lysine-9, leading to reduced rRNA synthesis levels (Sarshad et al. 2013, Shen et al. 2013).

**Preceded by:** B-WICH recruits histone acetyltransferases

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