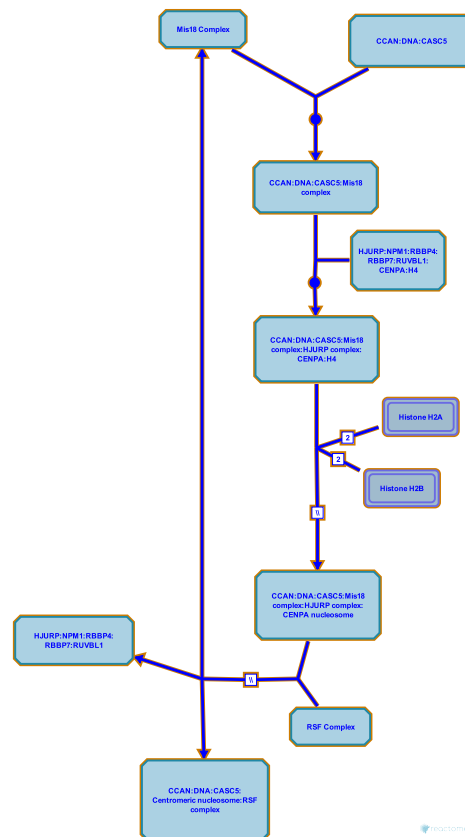


Deposition of new CENPA-containing nucleosomes at the centromere



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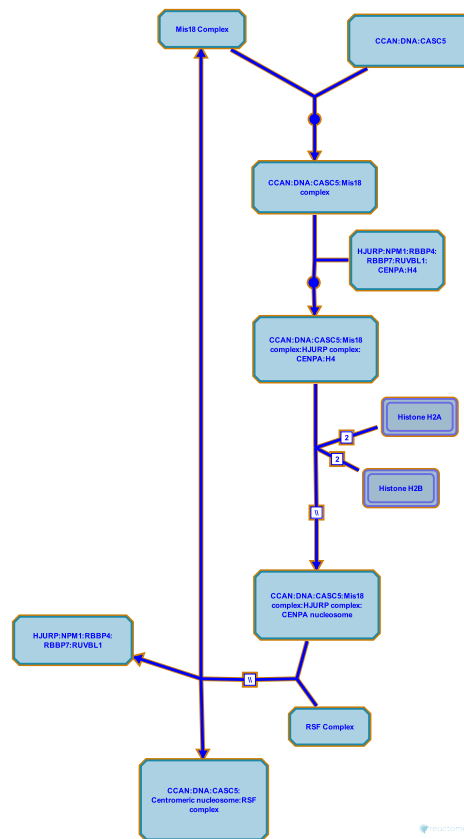
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Eukaryotic centromeres are marked by a unique form of histone H3, designated CENPA in humans. In human cells newly synthesized CENPA is deposited in nucleosomes at the centromere during late telophase/early G1 phase of the cell cycle. Once deposited, nucleosomes containing CENPA remain stably associated with the centromere and are partitioned equally to daughter centromeres during S phase. A current model proposes that pre-existing CENPA at the centromere drives recruitment of new CENPA, however this has not been proved.

The deposition process requires at least 3 complexes: the Mis18 complex, HJURP complex, and the RSF complex. HJURP binds newly synthesized CENPA-H4 tetramers before deposition and brings them to the centromere for deposition in new CENPA-containing nucleosomes. The exact mechanism of deposition remains unknown.

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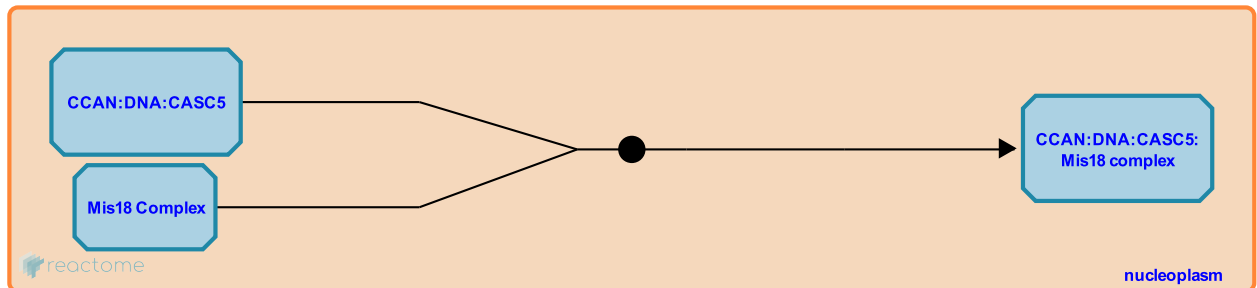
Mis18 complex binds the centromere ↗

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Type: binding

Compartments: nucleoplasm



The Mis18 complex (containing Mis18-alpha, Mis18-beta, Mis18BP1, RbAp46, and RbAp48) transiently binds the centromere in late anaphase-telophase to early G1. The mechanism by which the Mis18 complex binds the centromere is unknown. The Mis18 complex is required for deposition of new CENPA-containing nucleosomes at the centromere. The CENPH-I complex is constitutively associated with centromeres and is required for deposition of new CENPA-containing nucleosomes.

Followed by: [HJURP:CENPA complex localizes to the centromere](#)

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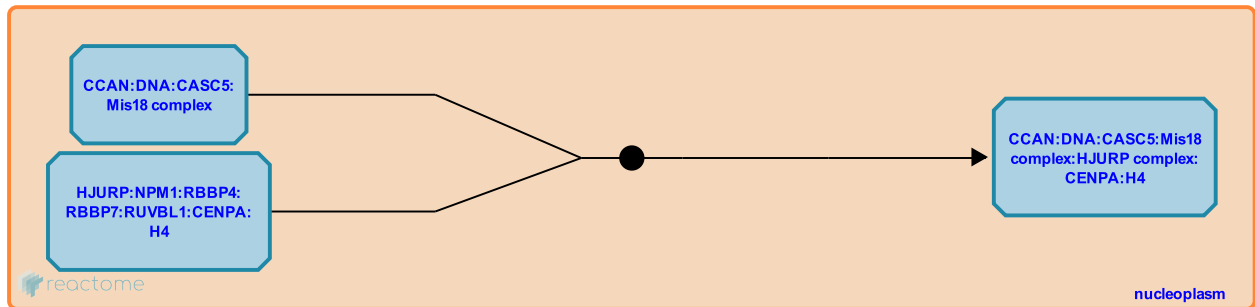
HJURP:CENPA complex localizes to the centromere ↗

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Type: binding

Compartments: nucleoplasm



The HJURP complex binds free, newly synthesized CENPA-H4 tetramers. A direct interaction occurs between HJURP and CENPA. The CATD domain of CENPA is sufficient for the interaction. The complex then localizes to the centromere in early G1 phase. HJURP is required for deposition of new CENPA-containing nucleosomes.

Preceded by: [Mis18 complex binds the centromere](#)

Followed by: [New CENPA-containing nucleosomes are deposited at the centromere](#)

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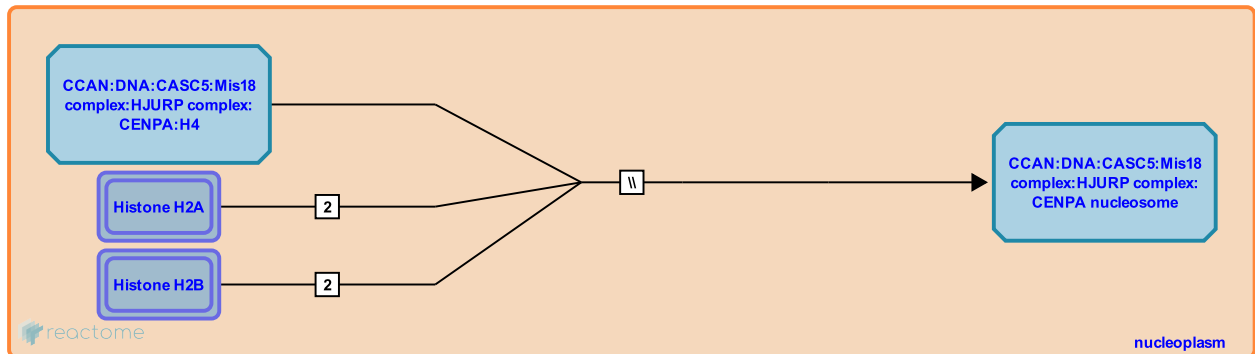
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A new centromeric nucleosome containing histone H2A, histone H2B, histone H4, and CENPA is deposited at the centromere in late telophase/early G1 phase. The exact mechanism by which the new CENPA-containing nucleosome is transferred to DNA is unknown. HJURP directly binds newly synthesized CENPA before deposition. The Mis18 and HJURP complexes are required for deposition of newly synthesized CENPA-containing nucleosomes. The exact stoichiometries and interactions of the complexes are unknown.

Preceded by: [HJURP:CENPA complex localizes to the centromere](#)

Followed by: [RSF complex binds the centromere](#)

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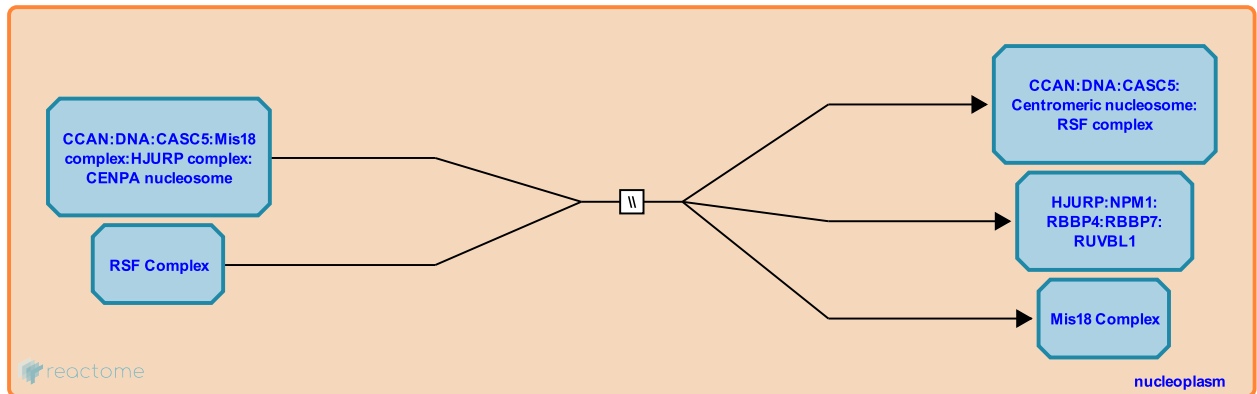
RSF complex binds the centromere ↗

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Stable identifier: R-HSA-606287

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Compartments: nucleoplasm



The RSF complex binds the centromere in mid-G1 phase after deposition of new CENPA-containing nucleosomes has occurred. The RSF complex is required for stable incorporation of the previously deposited CENPA-containing nucleosomes.

Preceded by: [New CENPA-containing nucleosomes are deposited at the centromere](#)

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