Identification of a new class non-coding RNA in yeast by RNA-Seq and ChIP-Seq

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- Introduction: why need to identify new ncRNAs in yeast?
- Technical section: how to identify new ncRNAs in yeast by NGS?
- Conclusions and perspectives

Expression of gene : DNA mRNA Protein



Expression of gene regulated by antisense ncRNA



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Discovered in 1998, Nobel prize 2006



Synthesize specific antisense ncRNAs to silence any targeted gene

S. cerevisiae lacks RNA interference





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Does a mechanism of regulation of gene expression by ncRNA exist in *S. cerevisiae*, which replaces the mechanism of RNA interference?



3 cases have been reported :

- Ty1 Transposon
- GAL10
- PHO84

Camblong et al., Cell 2007 Berretta et al., Gen Dev 2008 Pinskaya et al., EMBOJ 2009







- The half-lives of the ncRNA are short, so they are invisibles at WT.
- But they are enriched in the mutant of an enzyme of degradation, Xrn1.

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Millions of sequences in parallel

Identify the bases by images



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ACCGTGCTTACGGGGTACATAACCGTGCATTAGCATTAGCTGACCTGGAGGTGCGAATGCAG TGGCACGAATGCCCCATGTATTGGCACGTAATCGTAAGCGACTGGACCTCCACGCTTACGTC

GAGGTGCGAATG

ACCTGGAGGTGCGAATG

GCTGACCTGGAGGTGCGAATGCAG

GCTGACCTGGAGGTGCGAATGCAG

CTTACGGGGTACATAACCGTGCATTAG



GTGCTTACGGGGTACATAACCGTGCATTAGCTGACCTGGAGGTGCGAATGCAGACCGTGCTTACGGGGTACATAACCGTGCATTAGCATTAGCTGACCTGGAGGTGCGAATGCAGTGGCACGAATGCCCCATGTATTGGCACGTAATCGTAAGCGACTGGACCTCCACGCTTACGTCTGGCACGAATGCCCCATGTATTGGCAAAGCGACTGGACCTCCACGCTTACGTC

TGGCACGAATGCCCCATGTATTGGCA

ACGAATGCCCCATGTATTGGCACGTA

GAATGCCCCATGTATTGGCACGTAAT

CCCCATGTATTGGCACGTAATCGTAA



- Vertical lines represent numbers of sequences mapped on each position along the genome.
- Disjointed blocks correspond to different genes.







Define transcript unit (segmentation)



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Challenge of segmentation due to data heterogeneity

Challenge 1: Define transcript unit (Segmentation)



Step 1. Defining a sliding window of 120 nucleotides

Step 2. Mean of the window (smoothing) and slide +1

Step 3. Filtering (threshold) and attribute a box unit



Step 4. Comparison with existing features (ORFs)

Good parameters (e.g. cutoff) + High Sensitivity & Specificity



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WT

Validation of the segmentation process



Segment **Sp (Specificity) :** segments coverage by ORF = *L/Lseg*

Validation of the segmentation process






ORF coverage









Good assembly + High Sensitivity & Specificity



Parameters :

- L : Length of sliding window
- C : Cut-off of coverage threshold
- D : Distance max between adjacent transcripts
- pval : p-value cut-off of likelihood test





In average 85% of the segment is covered by an ORF In average 95% of the ORF is covered by a segment

Segmentation process



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Xu. et al. 2009 Nature 457:1033

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Step 4. Comparison with existing features (**SUT**)

SUT coverage



In average 80% of the segment is covered by a SUT In average 87% of the SUT is covered by a segment 90% of the SUTs are covered by a unique detected segment

How to reduce the heterogeneity?



Data heterogeneity: similar effect on different sequencing devices



The same library sequenced on two different devices

Data heterogeneity: problem resulting from library preparation



Wery et al. in preparation

Oriented paired-end RNA-seq can help to improve the segmentation



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Define transcripts sensitive to Xrn1 (XUTs)



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A comprehensive evaluation of normalization methods for Illumina high-throughput RNA sequencing data analysis

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Xrn1p preferentially destabilizes de-adenylated RNA

RNA-seq

	Sample	Total reads	Mapped	Unique
Ribo ⁻	WТ	320 680 804	117 678 134	69 432 376
	xrn1∆	234 617 538	79 411 831	48 427 785
polyA+	wт	51 559 241	24 153 108	11 895 794
	xrn1∆	56 017 358	20 684 510	11 933 068

(Solid: 50 nucleotides long- 6 mismatches)



Xrn1p preferentially destabilizes de-adenylated RNA



Search for transcripts less affected by Xrn1p



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snoRNA, tRNA



snoRNAs and tRNAs used for normalization



4.4-fold increase

Xrn1p is the major exonuclease responsible for mRNAs turnover

Non-coding Xrn1-sensitive Unstable Transcripts



3.6-fold increase

7.95-fold increase

Non-coding Xrn1-sensitive Unstable Transcripts



3.6-fold increase

7.95-fold increase

10.8-fold increase

Non-coding Xrn1-sensitive Unstable Transcripts



Identification of new ncRNAs





increase $\sim 30\%$ of the gene number in yeast

XUT locates mostly on antisense of protein-coding genes



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Do they regulate gene expression ???

Challenge 3: Regulatory function?

Differential expression

Do they regulate gene expression ???





Do they regulate gene expression ???


Measure directly gene transcription level within nucleus



Measure directly gene transcription level within nucleus







273/986 (30%) present antisense XUT,

Significantly larger than the ORFs that do not present reduced RNAPII levels, only 15% of which associates with antisense XUTs.





Increase of ncRNA



Increase of ncRNA

Repression of gene





Suppression of ncRNA



Suppression of ncRNA



Suppression of ncRNA -> Increase gene transcription



Transcriptional gene silencing is associated with antisense ncRNA

How does it work?



Camblong et al., Cell 2007 Berretta et al., Gen Dev 2008 Pinskaya et al., EMBOJ 2009

- Why some genes are regulated by antisense ncRNA but the others are not?
- > Is it associated with epigenetic modification?



Transcriptional gene silencing depends on histone modification



The down-regulated genes with antisense XUT present low H3k4me3 level

(ChIP-chip data from Pokholok et al. 2005 Cell. 122:517)















Set1 silences the 273 genes



Transcription level of genes with antisense XUT increase in the Xrn1 Δ Set1 Δ compare with the Xrn1 Δ , but the others do not.



Set1 silences the 273 genes





Transcriptional gene silencing depends on H3K4 methylation

Conclusions



- Identification of 1658 ncRNA sensitive to Xrn1 (XUT)
- Antisense XUT contribute to transcriptional gene silencing
- This transcriptional gene silencing is associated with epigenetic modification
- XUT are naturally observed in some stress conditions

All sequencing data generated by this study

1	Experiment	Sample	Device	Repeat	Total Map	Unique Map	Sum
1	RNA-Seq						
I	PolyA+	WT	Illumina		11,576,616	5,307,360	17,203,154
		WT	SOLiD		24,153,108	11,895,794	
		$xrn1\Delta$	SOLiD		20,684,510	11,933,068	11,933,068
I	Ribo-	WT	SOLiD	Repeat1	117,678,134	69,432,376	83,852,639
			Illumina	Repeat2	34,237,024	14,420,263	
		$xrn1\Delta$	SOLiD	Repeat1	79,411,831	48,427,785	134,299,620
			Illumina	Repeat2	215,552,864	85,871,835	
		$xrn1\Delta/set1\Delta$	SOLiD		27,590,503	16,953,392	16,953,392
	taining a	WT (-Li)	Illumina	Repeat1	64,154,898	12,239,926	12,239,926
lithium-conta		WT (+Li)	Illumina	Repeat1	29,648,688	9,981,905	29,978,123
media			Illumina	Repeat2	29,309,824	11,208,037	
			Illumina	Repeat3	29,281,646	8,788,181	
		WT(37°C)	Illumina	Repeat1	29,954,598	2,562,326	5,365,840
			Illumina	Repeat2	27,392,272	2,803,514	
		xrn1ts(37°)	Illumina	Repeat1	28,423,173	16,696,870	22,321,691
			Illumina	Repeat2	29,623,306	5,624,821	
	ChIP-Seq	Input	Illumina		19,191,755	15,890,239	15,890,239
		WT	Illumina		24,583,431	19,736,792	19,736,792
		$xrn1\Delta$	Illumina	Repeat1	23,329,483	18,268,810	42,215,637
			Illumina	Repeat2	29,675,892	23,946,827	











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Human replication timing program :

determination by deep sequencing & role in genome evolution

Replication timing

Nucleotide compositional skew



- What's these beautiful profiles?
- What can we learn from these profiles?

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1658 Non-coding Xrn1-sensitive Unstable Transcripts (XUT)





CUT (Cryptic Unstable Transcripts) SUT (stable unannotated transcripts)

Wyers et al 2005 *Cell* 121:725 Neil et al 2009 *Nature* 457:1038 Xu. et al. 2009 *Nature* 457:1033
Specificity & Sensitivity in function of transcription level



Specificity & Sensitivity in function of transcription level Cutoff = 5 Cutoff = 6



Identification of new ncRNAs genome-wide



By using deep sequencing : a revolution in genomics



Millions of sequences in parallel

