Enriched binding sites definition

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1	Libraries and settings					
#						
	brary(rtracklayer)					
	library(GenomicRanges)					
	library(ggplot2) library(dplyr)					
	library(qplyr) library(reshape2)					
	library(GenomicFeatures)					
library(BindingSiteFinder)						
	library(ComplexHeatmap)					
	library(tibble)					
	library(tidyr)					
	library(dplyr)					
	library(ggrepel)					
li	library(ggpointdensity)					
li	library(purrr)					
li	library(Biostrings)					
lί	library(BSgenome.Mmusculus.UCSC.mm10)					

```
library(knitr)
library(kableExtra)

here <- here::here()

source(paste0(here, "/Supporting_scripts/themes/theme_paper.R"))

# -------
# settings
# -------

out <- paste0(here, "/Figure2+SF1h-j/01_mir181-enriched_binding_site_definition/")</pre>
```

2 Functions

```
# utility functions
basicVectorToNiceDf <- function(x){</pre>
  # NOTE MK you could do all starting from the 3. line in one mutate command, might be faster and easier
  df = data.frame(Type = names(table(x$olType)), Freq = as.vector(table(x$olType)))
  df = df[order(df$Freq, decreasing = F),]
  df$Type = factor(df$Type, levels = df$Type)
  df$Frac = df$Freq / sum(df$Freq)
  df$ymax = cumsum(df$Frac)
  df$ymin = c(0, head(df$ymax, n=-1))
  df$labPos = (df$ymax + df$ymin) / 2
  df$NFrac = round(df$Frac * 100)
  df$NFrac2 = round(df$Freq / sum(df$Freq), digits = 4)
  df$NFracNice = df$NFrac2 * 100
  df$labelNice = pasteO(format(df$Freq, big.mark = ",", decimal.mark = "."), " (", df$NFracNice, "%)")
  df$labelNice2 = pasteO(df$Type, ": ", format(df$Freq, big.mark = ",", decimal.mark = "."), " (", df$N
  return(df)
}
```

3 What was done?

- Here I define mir181 binding sites on basis of the enriched mir181 miR-eCLIP data.
- I merge the bam files and bw files from the non-chimeric and chimeric (after trimming off the mir part) read from the enriched mir181 data.
- Peaks are called with pureclip on the .bam merge of all three replicates.
- Then binding sites are defined with BindingSiteFinder. The used binding site size is 7nt to match with the AGO binding site definition. The bindingSiteCoverage plots show that 7nt fits the binding site patterns well.
- Binding sites are filtered for their reproducibility in at least 2 of 3 samples.
- Then bindingsites are matched to the bound gene and the bound gene region.

NOTE: Large parts of code and text are from the BindingSiteFinder Vignette. For a detailed explanaition see https://www.bioconductor.org/packages/release/bioc/vignettes/BindingSiteFinder/inst/doc/vignette.html

4 Files

4.1 Merge crosslinks of chimeric and non-chimeric reads

Here we use a merge of the chimeric and non-chimeric crosslinks from the enriched mir181 data. .bw files from chimeric and non-chimeric reads which are outputed from Raccon are merged in the commandline with uscs-bigWigMerge.

```
# Merge bw non-chimeric and chimeric sample wise
# ------
bigWigMerge crosslinks_chimeric_sampleX.bw crosslinks_non-chimeric_sampleX.bw crosslinks_mixed_sampleX.

LC_COLLATE=C sort -k1,1 -k2,2n -k3,3n crosslinks_mixed_sampleX.bed -o crosslinks_mixed_sampleX.sort.bed
bedGraphToBigWig crosslinks mixed sampleX.sort.bed GRCm38.p6.genome.fa.fai crosslinks mixed sampleX.sor
```

4.2 Merge bam files run pureclip

We use the peakcaller pureclip to detect crosslink peaks. pureclip is run on the merge of the three samples with both chimeirc and non-chimeric crosslinks.

```
# Merge bam non-chimeric and chimeric (all samples together)
samtools merge -o crosslinks_mixed_all_samples.bam crosslinks_chimeric_all_samples.bamm crosslinks_non-
samtools sort crosslinks_mixed_all_samples.bam crosslinks_mixed_all_samples.sort.bam
samtools index crosslinks_mixed_all_samples.sort.bam
# -----
# Run pureclip
# -----
pureclip \
-i crosslinks_mixed_all_samples.sort.bam\
-bai crosslinks_mixed_all_samples.sort.bam.bai \
-g GRCm38.p6.genome.strict.IUPAC.fa \
-nt 10 \
-o mixed_IP_WT_miR181_pureclip_sites_230323.bed \
# -----
# -----
# Files
# -----
# annotation
annoDb <- loadDb(paste0(here, "/Supporting_scripts/annotation_preprocessing/annotation.db"))</pre>
gns <- readRDS(paste0(here, "/Supporting_scripts/annotation_preprocessing/gene_annotation.rds"))</pre>
```

seqnames	start	end	width	strand	score
chr1	6240152	6240152	1	+	0.976837
chr1	6240153	6240153	1	+	0.563029
chr1	6244795	6244795	1	+	0.461608
chr1	6244796	6244796	1	+	0.607505
chr1	6248280	6248280	1	+	1.300870
chr1	6248281	6248281	1	+	0.878214

5 Obtained pureclip sites (from peak calling)

-> Number of pureclip sites: 33930

6 Compute binding sites

6.1 Settings for binding sites

```
# ------
# set BS final options
# ------
bsSize_Final = 7
minWidth_Final = 2
minCrosslinks_Final = 2
minClSites_Final = 2
```

6.2 Make BindingSiteFinder object

```
# Organize clip data in dataframe for binding site finder
# -----
colData= data.frame(
 id = c(1:3),
 condition = factor(c("WT", "WT", "WT"),
                   levels = c("WT")),
                   clPlus = clipFilesP
                   clMinus = clipFilesM)
# Make BindingSiteFinder object
bds = BSFDataSetFromBigWig(ranges = pureclip_sites, meta = colData)
bds
## Object of class BSFDataSet
## Contained ranges: 33.930
## ----> Number of chromosomes: 22
## ----> Ranges width: 1
## Contained Signal: 5,156,221
## Contained conditions: WT
```

6.3 binding site width setting

We use a binding site width of 7nt because this setting was chosen for the AGO binding sites. With the following plots we doublecheck that 7 is a suitable size for the enriched mir181 binding sites.

6.4 Make binding sites

Option	nRanges
inputRanges	33930
mergeCrosslinkSites	8729
minCrosslinks	8084
minClSites	7930
centerIsClSite	7925
centerIsSummit	7809

```
## ----> Ranges width: 7
## Contained Signal: 5,156,221
## Contained conditions: WT
# make GrangesObject of binding sites
bds_sites_gr = getRanges(bds_sites)
bds_sites_gr
## GRanges object with 7809 ranges and 0 metadata columns:
##
          seqnames
                            ranges strand
##
             <Rle>
                         <IRanges>
                                     <Rle>
##
              chr1 6240149-6240155
        1
##
              chr1 6244793-6244799
##
        3
              chr1 6248277-6248283
##
        4
              chr1 6248959-6248965
##
        5
              chr1 6249310-6249316
##
               . . .
##
     8496
                       14296-14302
              chrM
##
     8497
              chrM
                       15351-15357
##
     8498
              chrM
                          3842-3848
##
     8499
              chrM
                          5257-5263
##
     8500
              chrM
                        16189-16195
##
##
     seqinfo: 22 sequences from an unspecified genome; no seqlengths
df = getSummary(bds_sites)
kable(df) %>%
  kable_material(c("striped", "hover"))
```

6.5 Reproducibility filter

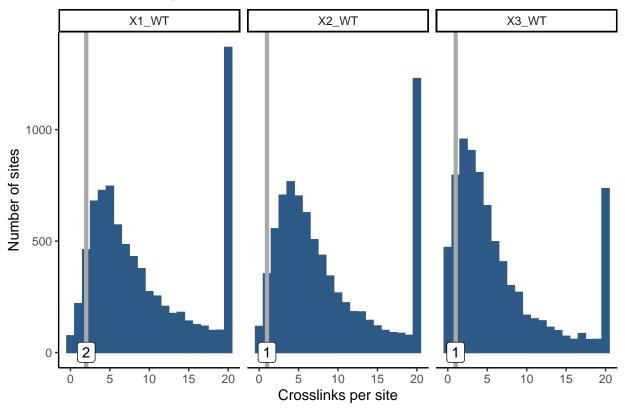
Since peak calling is based on the merge of all replicates, we filter processed binding site for their support by the individual replicates. First, crosslinks are summed up per replicate creating a crosslink distribution. Then, a threshold is set for each replicate to the 5% quantile of that distribution. To account for low crosslink replicates, a lower boundary of 1 crosslink events per binding site is enforced.

```
# ------
# Check reproducibility cutoff
# Supplementary Figure 1 h
# -----

p <- reproducibilityCutoffPlot(bds_sites, max.range = 20, cutoff = 0.05)

p</pre>
```

Cutoff: 5% WT; min.crosslinks = 1



```
p <- p + theme_paper()
ggsave(p, filename = paste0(out, "FigureS1J_BS_enriched_repro_cutoff.pdf"), width = unit(12, "cm"), hei</pre>
```

Finally, a binding sites is deemed reproducible if the thresholds are met for all two of three replicates. The Upset plot below shows the support intersections of the three samples for the binding sites.

```
# plot Upset with Complex Heatmap package
ha = HeatmapAnnotation(
  col = list(select = c("All" = "#004d4d", "Two" = "aquamarine4", "One" = "aquamarine2", "None" = "gre
  "Sample intersections" = anno_barplot(comb_size(m), border = FALSE, gp = gpar(fill = "#595959"), heig
    select = df$status
)
ht = UpSet(m,
           set_order = colnames(s1),
           comb_order = order(comb_size(m), decreasing = T),
           top_annotation = ha,
           comb_col = "cornflowerblue", bg_col = "white", pt_size = unit(.5, "cm") ,
           border = T, lwd = 2, bg_pt_col = "#333333"
)
ss = set_size(m)
cs = comb_size(m)
ht = draw(ht, padding = unit(c(0, 0, 10, 0), "mm"))
od = column_order(ht)
decorate_annotation("Sample intersections", {
    grid.text(format(cs[od], big.mark = ",", decimal.mark = "."), x = seq_along(cs), y = unit(cs[od], ";
        default.units = "native", just = c("left", "bottom"),
        gp = gpar(fontsize = 6, col = "black"), rot = 45)
})
   6000 +
   4000
                                                            Sample intersections
   2000
                                                            select
X1_WT
                                                                                   select
                                                                                     ΑII
X2 WT
                                                                                     None
                                                                                     One
X3_WT
                                                                                     Two
                                                                4000
                                                             Set size
pdf(pasteO(out, "FigureS1K_BS_enriched_repro_upset.pdf"), height = unit(6, "cm"), width = unit(10, "cm"
draw(ht, padding = unit(c(0, 0, 10, 0), "mm"))
```

dev.off()

seqnames	start	end	width	strand	scoreSum	scoreMean	scoreMax
chr1	6240149	6240155	7	+	1.539866	0.7699330	0.976837
chr1	6244793	6244799	7	+	1.069113	0.5345565	0.607505
chr1	6248277	6248283	7	+	2.179084	1.0895420	1.300870
chr1	6248959	6248965	7	+	11.215190	5.6075950	6.431180
chr1	6249310	6249316	7	+	11.351500	3.7838332	8.571320
chr1	6268525	6268531	7	+	25.036260	6.2590650	9.110930

```
## pdf
## 2
```

6.6 Final binding sites

This leaves us with a final set of binding sites:

```
# ------
# Get reproducible binding sites
# -------
bdsFinal = reproducibilityFilter(bds_sites, cutoff = 0.05, n.reps = 2)
bdsFinal = annotateWithScore(bdsFinal, getRanges(bds))
bdsFinal_gr = getRanges(bdsFinal)

kable(head(bdsFinal_gr)) %>%
    kable_material(c("striped", "hover"))
```

We get 7393 reproducible binding sites.

7 Downstream characterization

Next, we assign each binding site to the hosting gene and transcript part, using the initially loaded gene annotation from GENCODE.

7.1 Assignment of binding sites to genes

Assigning each binding site to its hosting gene is done by computing the overlap of all binding sites with the gene annotation. This typically results in some binding sites overlapping multiple different genes.

To resolve these overlaps genes are assigned based on the following hierarchical order: "protein_coding" > "tRNA" > "lincRNA" > "miRNA" > "snRNA"

```
#-----
# Assign to genes
#-----
```

```
# get genes with binding signal
target_genes = subsetByOverlaps(gns, bdsFinal_gr)
df = findOverlaps(target genes, bdsFinal gr) %>% as.data.frame()
# split into easy and complex cases
idxDouble = df[duplicated(df$subjectHits),]
idxSingle = df[!duplicated(df$subjectHits),]
# handle single overlap cases
peaksRepoSingle = bdsFinal_gr[idxSingle$subjectHits]
mcols(peaksRepoSingle)$geneType = target_genes$gene_type[idxSingle$queryHits]
mcols(peaksRepoSingle)$geneName = target_genes$gene_name[idxSingle$queryHits]
mcols(peaksRepoSingle)$geneID = target_genes$gene_id[idxSingle$queryHits] %>% sub("\\..*", "", .)
# handle multi overlap cases
peaksRepoDouble = bdsFinal_gr[idxDouble$subjectHits]
peaksRepoDoubleCleaned = as(lapply(seq_along(peaksRepoDouble), function(x){
  currPeak = peaksRepoDouble[x]
  currTargets = subsetByOverlaps(target_genes, currPeak)
 nOverlaps = length(currTargets)
# 1) take gene type as first criterion
# -> prefer the type that is first in the `rule` list
  solution = unique(match(currTargets$gene type, rule))
  nSolutions = length(solution)
  if (nSolutions == nOverlaps) {
    # solution sucessfull
   mcols(currPeak)$geneType = currTargets$gene_type[min(solution)]
   mcols(currPeak)$geneName = currTargets$gene_name[min(solution)]
   mcols(currPeak)$geneID = currTargets$gene_id[min(solution)] %>% sub("\\..*", "", .)
  if (nSolutions < nOverlaps) {</pre>
    # no solution found
    # -> Stop and return NA
   mcols(currPeak)$geneType = NA
   mcols(currPeak)$geneName = NA
   mcols(currPeak)$geneID = NA
 return(currPeak)
}),"GRangesList")
peaksRepoDoubleCleaned = unlist(peaksRepoDoubleCleaned)
peaksRepoDoubleCleaned = peaksRepoDoubleCleaned[!is.na(peaksRepoDoubleCleaned$geneID)]
# assign peaks
bsGene = c(peaksRepoSingle, peaksRepoDoubleCleaned)
bsGene = sortSeqlevels(bsGene)
bsGene = sort(bsGene)
bsGene = unique(bsGene) # why is the unique neccessary here?
# assign targets
```

```
target_genes = target_genes[target_genes$gene_id %in% bsGene$geneID]
```

We get 6724 binding sites, that can be assigned to a gene. (Note: These are some less then the number of binding sites we had before, because, some binding sites might be othside of annotated genes.)

The binding sites are positioned on 2995 genes.

7.2 Assignment of binding sites to transcripts

```
### setting the hierarchical rule for assignment
rule = c("utr3", "utr5", "cds", "intron")
```

The transcript parts bound by the RBP are identified by overlapping the binding sites of protein-coding genes with the transcripts of these genes. The respective transcript region, such as intron, CDS or UTR can be deduced from these overlaps. Similar to the gene assignment, some binding sites might also overlap with multiple different annotated transcript parts. These are resolved by application of the hierarchical rule: utr3, utr5, cds, intron. Note that the majority vote system is not used here!

```
# Assignment of binding sites to transcripts
# this is only done for protein coding genes
targetsProt = target_genes[target_genes$gene_type == "protein_coding"]
bsProt = bsGene[bsGene$geneType == "protein_coding"]
bsNonCodeing = bsGene[bsGene$geneType != "protein coding"]
mcols(bsNonCodeing)$region = NA
### count the overlap of each binidng site within each part of the gene
# Count the overlaps of each binding site for each region of the transcript.
cdseq = cds(annoDb)
intrns = unlist(intronsByTranscript(annoDb))
utrs3 = unlist(threeUTRsByTranscript(annoDb))
utrs5 = unlist(fiveUTRsByTranscript(annoDb))
regions = list(CDS = cdseq, Intron = intrns, UTR3 = utrs3, UTR5 = utrs5)
# Count the overlaps of each binding site fore each region of the transcript.
cdseq = regions$CDS %>% countOverlaps(bsProt,.)
intrns = regions$Intron %>% countOverlaps(bsProt,.)
utrs3 = regions$UTR3 %>% countOverlaps(bsProt,.)
utrs5 = regions$UTR5 %>% countOverlaps(bsProt,.)
countDf = data.frame(cds = cdseq, intron = intrns, utr3 = utrs3, utr5 = utrs5)
# sort by rule
countDf = countDf[, rule] %>%
  as.matrix() %>%
  cbind.data.frame(., outside = ifelse(rowSums(countDf) == 0, 1, 0) )
names = colnames(countDf)
# disable majority vote -> set all counts to 1
countDf = as.matrix(countDf)
countDf[countDf > 0] = 1
region = apply(countDf, 1, function(x){ names[which.max(x)] })
```

region	Freq
cds	1935
intron	1766
outside	4
utr3	2339
utr5	378

```
# add region annotation to binding sites object
mcols(bsProt)$region = region

kable(table(region)) %>%
   kable_material(c("striped", "hover"))
```

8 Save final binding sites

```
bs_annotated <- c(bsProt, bsNonCodeing)

NROW(bs_annotated)

## [1] 6724

length(unique(bs_annotated$geneID))

## [1] 2995

saveRDS(bs_annotated, pasteO(out, "BS_mir181_enriched.rds"))</pre>
```

9 Session Info

```
sessionInfo()
## R version 4.2.2 (2022-10-31)
## Platform: x86_64-apple-darwin17.0 (64-bit)
## Running under: macOS Big Sur ... 10.16
## Matrix products: default
         /Library/Frameworks/R.framework/Versions/4.2/Resources/lib/libRblas.0.dylib
## LAPACK: /Library/Frameworks/R.framework/Versions/4.2/Resources/lib/libRlapack.dylib
## locale:
## [1] en_US.UTF-8/en_US.UTF-8/en_US.UTF-8/C/en_US.UTF-8/en_US.UTF-8
## attached base packages:
                                     graphics grDevices utils
## [1] grid
                 stats4
                           stats
                                                                   datasets
## [8] methods
                 base
## other attached packages:
                                           BSgenome.Mmusculus.UCSC.mm10_1.4.3
## [1] kableExtra_1.3.4
## [3] BSgenome_1.66.3
                                           Biostrings_2.66.0
## [5] XVector_0.38.0
                                           purrr_1.0.1
## [7] ggpointdensity_0.1.0
                                           ggrepel_0.9.3
```

```
## [9] tidyr_1.3.0
                                           tibble_3.2.1
## [11] ComplexHeatmap_2.14.0
                                           BindingSiteFinder_1.4.0
                                           AnnotationDbi 1.60.2
## [13] GenomicFeatures 1.50.4
## [15] Biobase_2.58.0
                                           reshape2_1.4.4
## [17] dplyr_1.1.2
                                           ggplot2_3.4.2
## [19] rtracklayer 1.58.0
                                           GenomicRanges 1.50.2
## [21] GenomeInfoDb 1.34.9
                                           IRanges 2.32.0
## [23] S4Vectors_0.36.2
                                           BiocGenerics_0.44.0
## [25] knitr_1.43
##
## loaded via a namespace (and not attached):
##
     [1] backports_1.4.1
                                     circlize_0.4.15
##
     [3] Hmisc_5.1-0
                                     BiocFileCache_2.6.1
     [5] systemfonts_1.0.4
##
                                     plyr_1.8.8
##
                                     BiocParallel_1.32.6
     [7] lazyeval_0.2.2
##
     [9] digest_0.6.33
                                     foreach_1.5.2
##
   [11] ensembldb_2.22.0
                                     htmltools_0.5.5
  [13] magick_2.7.4
                                     fansi 1.0.4
                                     checkmate_2.2.0
## [15] magrittr_2.0.3
##
   [17] memoise 2.0.1
                                     cluster 2.1.4
## [19] doParallel_1.0.17
                                     matrixStats_1.0.0
                                     prettyunits_1.1.1
## [21] svglite_2.1.1
## [23] jpeg_0.1-10
                                     colorspace_2.1-0
## [25] blob_1.2.4
                                     rvest 1.0.3
## [27] rappdirs_0.3.3
                                     textshaping_0.3.6
## [29] xfun_0.39
                                     crayon_1.5.2
## [31] RCurl_1.98-1.12
                                     VariantAnnotation_1.44.1
## [33] iterators_1.0.14
                                     glue_1.6.2
## [35] polyclip_1.10-4
                                     gtable_0.3.3
## [37] zlibbioc_1.44.0
                                     webshot_0.5.5
## [39] GetoptLong_1.0.5
                                     DelayedArray_0.24.0
## [41] car_3.1-2
                                     shape_1.4.6
##
  [43] abind_1.4-5
                                     scales_1.2.1
## [45] DBI_1.1.3
                                     rstatix_0.7.2
##
   [47] Rcpp_1.0.11
                                     viridisLite_0.4.2
## [49] progress_1.2.2
                                     htmlTable_2.4.1
## [51] clue_0.3-64
                                     foreign 0.8-84
## [53] bit_4.0.5
                                     Formula_1.2-5
   [55] htmlwidgets_1.6.2
                                     httr_1.4.6
##
## [57] RColorBrewer_1.1-3
                                     pkgconfig_2.0.3
## [59] XML_3.99-0.14
                                     farver 2.1.1
## [61] Gviz_1.42.1
                                     nnet_7.3-19
## [63] dbplyr_2.3.3
                                     deldir_1.0-9
## [65] here_1.0.1
                                     utf8_1.2.3
## [67] labeling_0.4.2
                                     tidyselect_1.2.0
## [69] rlang_1.1.1
                                     munsell_0.5.0
## [71] tools_4.2.2
                                     cachem_1.0.8
## [73] cli_3.6.1
                                     generics_0.1.3
## [75] RSQLite_2.3.1
                                     broom_1.0.5
## [77] evaluate_0.21
                                     stringr_1.5.0
## [79] fastmap_1.1.1
                                     ragg_1.2.5
## [81] yaml_2.3.7
                                     bit64_4.0.5
## [83] KEGGREST_1.38.0
                                     AnnotationFilter_1.22.0
## [85] xml2_1.3.5
                                     biomaRt 2.54.1
```

```
## [87] compiler_4.2.2
                                     rstudioapi_0.15.0
                                     curl_5.0.1
## [89] filelock_1.0.2
## [91] png_0.1-8
                                     ggsignif_0.6.4
## [93] tweenr_2.0.2
                                     stringi_1.7.12
## [95] highr_0.10
                                     lattice_0.21-8
## [97] ProtGenerics 1.30.0
                                     Matrix_1.5-4.1
## [99] vctrs 0.6.3
                                     pillar 1.9.0
## [101] lifecycle_1.0.3
                                     GlobalOptions_0.1.2
## [103] data.table_1.14.8
                                     bitops 1.0-7
## [105] R6_2.5.1
                                     BiocIO_1.8.0
## [107] latticeExtra_0.6-30
                                     gridExtra_2.3
## [109] codetools_0.2-19
                                     dichromat_2.0-0.1
## [111] MASS_7.3-60
                                     SummarizedExperiment_1.28.0
## [113] rprojroot_2.0.3
                                     rjson_0.2.21
## [115] withr_2.5.0
                                     GenomicAlignments_1.34.1
                                     GenomeInfoDbData_1.2.9
## [117] Rsamtools_2.14.0
## [119] parallel_4.2.2
                                     hms_1.1.3
## [121] rpart 4.1.19
                                     rmarkdown 2.23
## [123] carData_3.0-5
                                     MatrixGenerics_1.10.0
                                     ggpubr_0.6.0
## [125] Cairo 1.6-0
## [127] biovizBase_1.46.0
                                     ggforce_0.4.1
## [129] base64enc_0.1-3
                                     interp_1.1-4
## [131] restfulr_0.0.15
```