¿Do We Have Black Chromatin?

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A dream you dream alone is only a dream. A dream you dream together is reality. -Yoko Ono

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- Further supported by other datasets (Lamina-associated domains, CpG islands, RefSeq gene and exon, open chromatin, and RNA-seq), we confirm the existence of Black chromatin among these four major chromatin types in Human.

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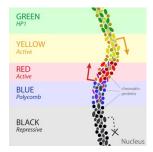
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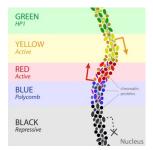
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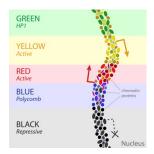


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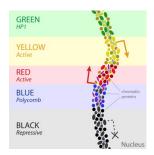
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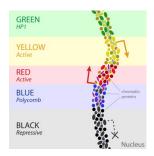
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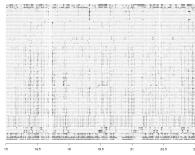
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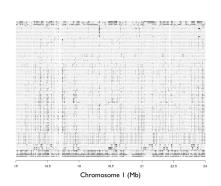
So far Black was only identified in *Drosophila*... **Does Black also present in Humans?**

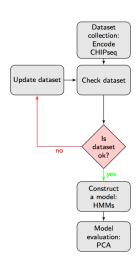
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Chromosome I (Mb)

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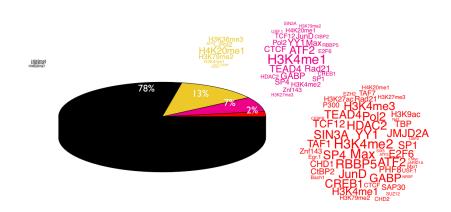




4 Chromatin States in H1-hESC Animated here

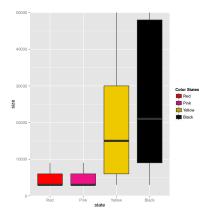


Black Is among Our Four Chromatin States

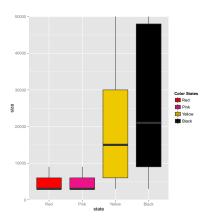


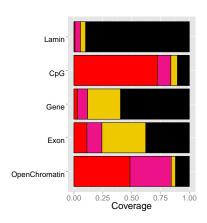
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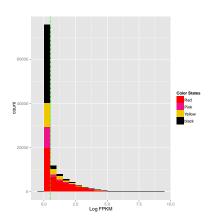
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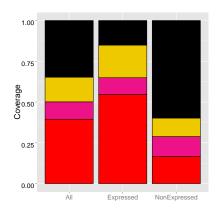




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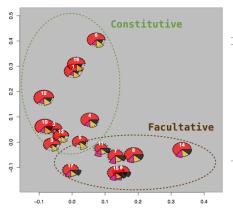
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No	GO_ID	GO_Term
1	GO:0006259	DNA metabolic process
2	GO:0006397	mRNA processing
3	GO:0006412	translation
4	GO:0006464	cellular protein modification process
5	GO:0006913	nucleocytoplasmic transport
6	GO:0007049	cell cycle
7	GO:0007155	cell adhesion
8	GO:0007165	signal transduction
9	GO:0007267	cell-cell signaling
10	GO:0009058	biosynthetic process
11	GO:0030198	extracellular matrix organization
12	GO:0034641	cellular nitrogen compound metabolic process
13	GO:0042254	ribosome biogenesis
14	GO:0048856	anatomical structure development
15	GO:0050877	neurological system process
16	GO:0051276	chromosome organization
17	GO:0055085	transmembrane transport

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Q&A

