Noncoding RNA and Rnomics

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The 17 December 2010 issue of *Science* includes special sections highlighting the **Breakthrough of the Year** and **Insights of the December**

Insights of the Decade Shining a Light on the Genome's 'Dark Matter'

The scope of this "dark genome" became apparent in 2001, when the human genome was first published. Scientists expected to find as many as 100,000 genes packed into the 3 billion bases of human DNA; they were startled to learn that there were fewer than 35,000. (The current count is 21,000.) Protein-coding regions accounted for just 1.5% of the genome. Could the rest of our DNA really just be junk?











Noncoding sequences: Sequences in genome, which are not coding for any proteins.

How many persent of the human genome are noncoding sequences?

More than 97%!!!











Transcriptional activity



Transcriptional output/complexity 基因组的转录情况

Transcriptional activity (tiling array data) 基因组的转录水平

 -Human 人
 基因组的 ≥ 80 % (40-50X)

 -C.elegans 线虫
 基因组的 ~70 % (2-3X)

Protein coding sequence 编码蛋白序列--Human 人基因组的~2-3 %-C.elegans 线虫基因组的~25 %

The majority of transcripts are non-coding RNAs 绝大部分的转录产物是 非编码RNA

The major differences among different organisms are ncRNAs 物种间最主要的差别也是 非编码RNA

The Encyclopedia of DNA Elements (ENCODE) Consortium is an international collaboration of research groups funded by the National Human Genome Research Institute (NHGRI). The goal of ENCODE is to build a comprehensive parts list of functional elements in the human genome, including elements that act at the protein and RNA levels, and regulatory elements that control cells and circumstances in which a gene is active.

5 September 2012 - ENCODE results published in Nature, Science and other journals

The results of the ENCODE project were published today in a coordinated set of 30 papers published in multiple journals. These publications are the result of cross-consortium integrative analysis, covering more than 4 million regulatory regions in the human genome mapped as part of ENCODE. The coordinated publication set includes one main integrative paper and five other papers in the journal *Nature*; 18 papers in *Genome Research*; and six papers in *Genome Biology*. The ENCODE data are so complex that the three journals have developed a pioneering way to present the information in an integrated form they term "threads." Since the same topics were addressed in different ways in different papers, the <u>Nature ENCODE</u> websitewas developed to allow readers to follow a topic through all of the papers in the ENCODE publication set. In addition to these publications, six review articles are being published in the *Journal of Biological Chemistry*, and other affiliated papers in *Science*, *Cell*, and other journals. The new<u>Integrative Analysis</u> page on this portal provides links and descriptive material for these publications and related analysis resources.









X-inactivation is the mammalian dosage compensation mechanism, used to equalize Xlinked gene dosage between male and female cells.

Xist encodes a large, spliced, polyadenylated, noncoding RNA that is expressed exclusively from the otherwise inactive X chromosome.

http://www.ucsf.edu/pibs/faculty/panning.html Barbara Panning Lab



Small RNA and RNA Interference (RNAi)

In RNAi, dsRNA introduced into susceptible organisms is processed into ~22 nucleotide (nt) siRNAs. These 22 nt siRNAs subsequently bind to the homologous region of their target transcript and tag it for nuclease cleavage. Thus gene silencing is effected by destruction of the target mRNA.



A novel class of small RNAs bind to MILI protein in mouse testes

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The small RNAs are 26–31 nucleotides (nt) in length—clearly distinct from the 21–23 nt of microRNAs (miRNAs) or short interfering RNAs (siRNAs)—and we refer to them as 'Piwi-interacting RNAs' or piRNAs.



Noncoding RNA in Plants

http://www.prl.msu.edu/PLANTncRNAs/





An experiment in a cell-free amplification system shows that unidentified host RNA molecules are required for efficient conversion of normal prion protein into its pathogenic form.



Elevated expression of PCGEM1, a prostate-specific gene with cell growth-promoting function, is associated with high-risk prostate cancer patients Gyorgy Petrovics*, 1, Wei Zhang2, Mazen Makarem1, Jesse P Street1, Roger Connelly1, Leon Sun1, Isabell A Sesterhenn2, Vasantha

Srikantan1, Judd W Moull, 3 and Shiv Srivastaval

Oncogene (2004) 23, 605-611

PCGEM1 appears to be a noncoding functional RNA gene (Srikantan et al., 2000).



His-1: A noncoding RNA implicated in mouse leukemogenesis

Fan Xu, Molly McFarland and David S. Askew* *Histol. Histopathol.*, 1999, 14, 235–241.

The *His-1* gene is highly conserved among vertebrate species and is transcribed as a single spliced and polyadenylated cytoplasmic RNA that shares several features in common with the emerging class of untranslated RNAs.



MALAT-1, a novel noncoding RNA, and thymosin b4 predict metastasis and survival in early-stage nonsmall cell lung cancer Ping Ji1, 5, Sven Diederichs1, 5, Wenbing Wang1, Sebastian Bo¨ ing1,

Ralf Metzger2, Paul M Schneider2, Nicola Tidow3, Burkhard Brandt3, Horst Buerger4, Etmar Bulk1, Michael Thomas1, Wolfgang E Berdel1, Hubert Serve*, 1 and Carsten Mu^{**} 11er-Tidow*, 1

Oncogene (2003) 22, 8031-8041



Evidence for evolutionarily conserved secondary structure in the *H19* **tumor suppressor RNA**

Veronica Juan, Chad Crain and Charles Wilson

Nucleic Acids Research 2000 Vol. 28 1221-1227



Comparison between Protein and ncRNA Functions in the Cell (From Prof. Xiangdong Fu)

Function

Enzymes

Structural components

Molecular interactions

Intracellular targeting

Chaperons

Small molecule channels

Secreted signals/hormones

Modifications

Protein

Catalytic centers

Structural modules Inter/intra-mol interactions Specific localization/function Assisted protein folding Transport across membrane Long distance regulation

Various PTMs

<u>ncRNA</u>

- > RNase P, Group II introns
- = Scaffold in the nucleus
- = Nucleation of interactions
- = Partitioning nuclear domains
- = Allosteric inducers
- 0 Unlikely to have similar role
- = Secreted miRs
- = Multiple base modifications



Biological Dark Matter Newfound RNA suggests a hidden complexity inside cells John Travis

In the early 1990s, Victor Ambros and his colleagues were conducting a gene hunt. In particular, they were searching for the gene that was mutated in a perplexing strain of Caenorhabditis elegans, the small nematode whose development many biologists study. Unlike most genes, the one identified by Ambros' group doesn't encode a protein. It spawns a small molecule of RNA—a chemical relative of DNA—that somehow turns off other genes that play a role in worm development. Several groups, including one led by Eddy, Ambros' team and two other research groups reported that *Escherichia coli*, worms, flies, and people contain dozens of previously undetected genes that spawn RNA instead of protein.

The RNA genes found so far are "just the tip of a huge iceberg," says Ruvkun.

Prospect and List of Notable Aspect



- Long Noncoding RNA should be the Major Parts of Noncoding RNA

>200nt John Mattick

>100nt my group



Number: Large

Capacity forming 3D-structure: Better

The way for biological function: Different short NcRNA: base match long NcRNA: 3D-structure interaction



Non-Coding RNA Has Role in Inherited Neurological Disorder, and Maybe Other Brain Diseases Too



shiver

Researchers have discovered that expression of the ataxin-7 gene -- the cause of the neurological disorder spinocerebellar ataxia type 7 -- has two regulators: a highly conserved, multi-tasking protein called CTCF and, surprisingly, an adjacent promoter containing non-coding RNA. (Credit: Illustration courtesy of ChristinaTakamatsu-Butler, UC San Diego, published in the June 22 issue of the journal Neuron.)



中國科学院生物物理研究所 INSTITUTE OF BIOPHYSICS CHINESE ACADEMY OF SCIENCES A Large Intergenic Noncoding RNA Induced by p53 Mediates Global Gene Repression in the p53 Response Cell 142, 409–419, August 6, 2010



在这篇文章,作者发现P53可以直接提高lincRNA-P21的表达,然后lincRNA-P21 与蛋白hnRNP-K结合,再调节其他基因的表达(如图)。



For example, the ncRNA Evf-2 functions as a co-activator for the homeobox transcription factor Dlx2, which plays important roles in forebrain development and neurogenesis (Feng 2006; Panganiban 2002). Sonic hedgehog induces transcription of Evf-2 from an ultra-conserved element located between the Dlx5 and Dlx6 genes during forebrain development (Feng 2006). Evf-2 then recruits the Dlx2 transcription factor to the same ultra-conserved element whereby Dlx2 subsequently induces expression of Dlx5. The existence of other similar ultra- or highly conserved elements within the mammalian genome that are both transcribed and fulfil enhancer functions suggest Evf-2 may be illustrative of a generalised mechanism that tightly regulates important developmental genes with complex expression patterns during vertebrate growth (Pennacchio 2006; Visel 2008).

Feng J, Bi C, Clark BS, Mady R, Shah P, Kohtz JD (June 2006). <u>"The Evf-2</u> <u>noncoding RNA is transcribed from the Dlx-5/6 ultraconserved region and</u> <u>functions as a Dlx-2 transcriptional coactivator</u>". Genes & Development **20** (11): 1470–84. <u>doi</u>:10.1101/gad.1416106. <u>PMC 1475760</u>. <u>PMID 16705037</u>.

transcriptional regulation



The formation of RNA duplexes between complementary ncRNA and mRNA may mask key elements within the mRNA required to bind trans-acting factors, potentially effecting any step in post-transcriptional gene expression including premRNA processing and splicing, transport, translation, and degradation.

The <u>splicing</u> of mRNA can induce its translation and functionally diversify the repertoire of proteins it encodes. The <u>Zeb2</u> mRNA, which has a particularly long 5'UTR, requires the retention of a 5'UTR intron that contains an internal ribosome entry site for efficient translation (<u>Beltran 2008</u>). However, retention of the intron is dependent on the expression of an antisense transcript that complements the intronic 5' splice site (<u>Beltran 2008</u>). Therefore, the ectopic expression of the antisense transcript represses splicing and induces translation of the Zeb2 mRNA during mesenchymal development.

Post-transcriptional regulation



Indeed it was recently shown that BC1 is associated with translational repression in dendrites to control the efficiency of dopamine D2 receptor-mediated transmission in the <u>striatum</u> (<u>Centonze 2007</u>) and BC1 RNA-deleted mice exhibit behavioural changes with reduced exploration and increased anxiety (<u>Lewejohann 2004</u>).

Centonze D, Rossi S, Napoli I, et al. (August 2007). "The brain cytoplasmic RNA BC1 regulates dopamine D2 receptor-mediated transmission in the striatum". The Journal of Neuroscience 27 (33): 8885–92. <u>doi:10.1523/JNEUROSCI.0548-</u> 07.2007. <u>PMID 17699670</u>.

Lewejohann L, Skryabin BV, Sachser N, et al. (September 2004). "Role of a neuronal small non-messenger RNA: behavioural alterations in BC1 RNA-deleted mice". Behavioural Brain Research **154** (1): 273–89. doi:10.1016/j.bbr.2004.02.015. PMID 15302134.

translational regulation



Epigenetic modifications, including histone and DNA methylation, histone acetylation and sumoylation, affect many aspects of chromosomal biology, primarily including regulation of large numbers of genes by remodeling broad chromatin domains. While it has been known for some time that RNA is an integral component of chromatin, it is only recently that we are beginning to appreciate the means by which RNA is involved in pathways of chromatin modification (Chen 2008; Rinn 2007; Sanchez-Elsner 2006)

Chen X, Xu H, Yuan P, et al. (June 2008). "Integration of external signaling pathways with the core transcriptional network in embryonic stem cells". Cell **133** (6): 1106–17. <u>doi:10.1016/j.cell.2008.04.043</u>. <u>PMID 18555785</u>.

Rinn JL, Kertesz M, Wang JK, et al. (June 2007). <u>"Functional demarcation of</u> active and silent chromatin domains in human HOX loci by noncoding RNAs". Cell **129** (7): 1311–23. <u>doi:10.1016/j.cell.2007.05.022</u>. <u>PMC 2084369</u>. <u>PMID 17604720</u>.

Sanchez-Elsner T, Gou D, Kremmer E, Sauer F (February 2006). "Noncoding RNAs of trithorax response elements recruit Drosophila Ash1 to Ultrabithorax". Science **311** (5764): 1118–23. <u>Bibcode: 2006Sci...311.1118S</u>. <u>doi:10.1126/science.1117705</u>. <u>PMID 16497925</u>.



epigenetic regulation

Many emergent themes of ncRNA-directed chromatin modification were first apparent within the phenomenon of <u>imprinting</u>, whereby only one allele of a gene is expressed from either the maternal or the paternal chromosome. In general, imprinted genes are clustered together on chromosomes, suggesting the imprinting mechanism acts upon local chromosome domains rather than individual genes. These clusters are also often associated with long ncRNAs whose expression is correlated with the repression of the linked protein-coding gene on the same allele. Indeed, detailed analysis has revealed a crucial role for the ncRNAs Kcnqot1 and Igf2r/Air in directing imprinting (Braidotti 2004). Almost all the genes at the Kcnq1 loci are maternally inherited, except the paternally expressed antisense ncRNA Kcnqot1 (Mitsuya 1999).

Braidotti G, Baubec T, Pauler F, et al. (2004). "The Air noncoding RNA: an imprinted cis-silencing transcript". Cold Spring Harbor Symposia on Quantitative Biology 69: 55–66. <u>doi:10.1101/sqb.2004.69.55</u>. <u>PMID 16117633</u>.

Mitsuya K, Meguro M, Lee MP, et al. (July 1999). "LIT1, an imprinted antisense RNA in the human KvLQT1 locus identified by screening for differentially expressed transcripts using monochromosomal hybrids". Human Molecular Genetics 8 (7): 1209–17. <u>doi</u>:10.1093/hmg/8.7.1209. PMID 10369866.





Telomeres have been long considered transcriptionally inert DNA-protein complexes until it was recently shown that telomeric repeats may be transcribed as telomeric RNAs (TelRNAs) (Schoeftner 2008) or telomeric repeat-containing RNAs (Azzalin 2007). These ncRNAs are heterogeneous in length, transcribed from several sub-telomeric loci and physically localise to telomeres. Their association with chromatin, which suggests an involvement in regulating telomere specific heterochromatin modifications, is repressed by SMG proteins that protect chromosome ends from telomere loss (Azzalin 2007). In addition, TelRNAs block telomerase activity in vitro and may therefore regulate telomerase activity (Schoeftner 2008).

Azzalin CM, Reichenbach P, Khoriauli L, Giulotto E, Lingner J (November 2007). "Telomeric repeat containing RNA and RNA surveillance factors at mammalian chromosome ends". Science **318** (5851): 798–801. <u>Bibcode</u>: <u>2007Sci...318..798A</u>. <u>doi:10.1126/science.1147182</u>. <u>PMID</u> <u>17916692</u>.

Schoeftner S, Blasco MA (February 2008). "Developmentally regulated transcription of mammalian telomeres by DNA-dependent RNA polymerase II". Nature Cell Biology **10** (2): 228–36. <u>doi</u>:10.1038/ncb1685. <u>PMID</u> 18157120.







Figure 1. Paradigms for how long ncRNAs function. Recent studies have identified a variety of regulatory paradigms for how long ncRNAs function, many of which are highlighted here. Transcription from an upstream noncoding promoter (orange) can negatively (1) or positively (2) affect expression of the downstream gene (blue) by inhibiting RNA polymerase II recruitment or inducing chromatin remodeling, respectively. (3) An antisense transcript (purple) is able to hybridize to the overlapping sense transcript (blue) and block recognition of the splice sites by the spliceosome, thus resulting in an alternatively spliced transcript. (4) Alternatively, hybridization of the sense and antisense transcripts can allow Dicer to generate endogenous siRNAs. By binding to specific protein partners, a noncoding transcript (green) can modulate the activity of the protein (5), serve as a structural component that allows a larger RNA–proteincomplex to form (6), or alter where the protein localizes in the cell (7). (8) Long ncRNAs (pink) can be processed to yield small RNAs, such as miRNAs, piRNAs, and other less well-characterized classes of small transcripts.

A ceRNA Hypothesis: The RosettaStone of a Hidden RNA Lange

Leonardo Salmena, Laura Poliseno, Yvonne Tay, Lev Kats, Pier Paolo Pandolfi Cell, <u>Volume 146, Issue 3</u>, 353-358, 28 July 2011 竞争性内源RNA (competing endogenous RNA, ceRNA)



Figure 1. The Basis of the ceRNA Language

How mRNAs affect microRNAs is less well characterized than how microRNAs affect mRNAs. (A) The relationship between mRNAs and microRNAs could be reciprocal (Seitz, 2009), causing the level of one mRNA to influence the level and activity of another mRNA.

(B) Thus, RNA molecules could communicate with each other through microRNA and microRNA response sequences (MREs). The greater the number of shared MREs, the greater the level of "communication" and thus coregulation.

(C) The 30 UTRs of RNA molecules contain MREs, which can function in cis to regulate the RNA molecule itself but also possibly in trans to regulate levels of microRNAs and consequently other RNAs.

环RNA怎样像海绵一样吸收微RNA?



环RNA (circRNA)已在哺乳动物细胞中被发现,但它们的功能一直不清楚。现在,来自Nikolaus Rajewsky实验室和Jørgen Kjems实验室的两篇论文确定了与微RNA miR-7相结合的一个环RNA的一种功能。他们发现,这个环RNA充满了微RNA结合点,可起"海绵"的作用,能在每个环RNA分子上结合大量微RNA。这些研究说明环RNA在转录后调控中扮演一个角色。(Link to Article p. 333; Letter p. 384; News & Views p. 322)

Sebastian Memczak1*, Marvin Jens1*, Antigoni Elefsinioti1*, Francesca Torti1*, Janna Krueger2, Agnieszka Rybak1, Luisa Maier1, Sebastian D. Mackowiak1, Lea H. Gregersen3, Mathias Munschauer3, Alexander Loewer4, Ulrike Ziebold1, Markus Landthaler3, Christine Kocks1, Ferdinand le Noble2 & Nikolaus Rajewsky1, Circular RNAs are a large class of animal RNAs with regulatory potency, 21 MA R C H 2 0 1 3 / VO L 4 9 5 / N AT U R E / 3 3 3

Thomas B. Hansen1, Trine I. Jensen1, Bettina H. Clausen2, Jesper B. Bramsen1,3, Bente Finsen2, Christian K. Damgaard1 & Jorgen Kjems1,3, Natural RNA circles function as efficient microRNA sponges, 384/NATURE/VOL495/21MARCH2013



MicroRNAs (miRNAs) lie in a fitness valley constrained by their numerous interactions, which include those with the hairpin structure of the precursor miRNA (pre-miRNA), the many target mRNAs and other RNAs that terminate or modulate miRNA binding to target sequences by competing against them. The latter category includes competing endogenous RNAs (ceRNAs), pseudogene decoys and miRNA mimics. Two studies^{1, 2} introduce circular RNAs (circRNAs) as another constraining factor. MRE, miRNAresponse element.
eRNA(enhancer RNAs, enhancer-directed RNAs)



Michael T. Y. Lam, Han Cho, Hanna P. Lesch, David Gosselin, Sven Heinz, Yumiko Tanaka-Oishi, Christopher Benner, Minna U. Kaikkonen, Aneeza S. Kim, Mika Kosaka, Cindy Y. Lee, Andy Watt, Tamar R. Grossman, Michael G. Rosenfeld, Ronald M. Evans, Christopher K. Glass. **Rev-Erbs repress macrophage gene expression** by inhibiting enhancer-directed transcription. Nature, 02 June 2013; DOI: <u>10.1038/nature12209</u>

Wenbo Li, Dimple Notani, Qi Ma, Bogdan Tanasa, Esperanza Nunez, Aaron Yun Chen, Daria Merkurjev, Jie Zhang, Kenneth Ohgi, Xiaoyuan Song, Soohwan Oh, Hong-Sook Kim, Christopher K. Glass, Michael G. Rosenfeld. **Functional roles of enhancer RNAs for oestrogen-dependent transcriptional activation**. Nature, 02 June 2013; DOI:10.1038/nature12210

Tae-Kyung Kim,1, 9, 10, Martin Hemberg,2, 9, Jesse M. Gray,1, 9, Allen M. Costa,1, Daniel M., Bear,1, Jing Wu,3, David A. Harmin,1, 4, Mike Laptewicz,1, Kellie Barbara-Haley,5, Scott Kuersten,6, Eirene Markenscoff-Papadimitriou,1, 10, Dietmar Kuhl,7, Haruhiko Bito,8, Paul F. Worley,3, Gabriel Kreiman2 & Michael E. Greenberg1, Widespread transcription at neuronal activity-regulated enhancers. Nature, 13 May 2010 DOI:doi:10.1038/nature09033





Noncoding RNA Research in our Lab





1、Found 164 novel noncoding RNAs and their genes in C.elegans

通过建立新的实验方案,在C.elegans基因组中 发现了100个迄今国际上未见报导的全新的非编码 RNA基因。这些基因不同于已知的各种类的NcRNA, 也不同于microRNA。这是新类型的RNA基因。论文 已发表在

Genome Research 16: 20-29, 2006; NCBI accession number: AY948555-- AY948719



发现两个新非编码RNA基因家族 (To classify two new categories)





The stem-bulge RNAs of *C. elegans*









发现了三个独特的非编码基因上游motif (UM1-3) (confirm three special upstream motifs of noncoding genes)



located within 40-80 bp upstream of the transcription initiation sites of the ncRNA loci were further revealed by MEME (Bailey and Elkan, 1995).



提出了非编码基因是一个独立的系统并给出了其基本调控模式

(found that many of the ncRNA genes are located in the introns of host protein-coding genes and are under the control of independent promoter elements.)



The expression levels of non-motif snoRNAs with the frequencies of ESTs corresponding to exons of their host genes, produced a distinct positive correlation not found for motif-





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Analysis of transcription levels of 106 ncRNA families were carried out with Northern blot. 61 showed variation exceeding two standard variation, composed of 6 distinct expression clusters.





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'Pregnant' protein-coding genes carry RNA 'babies' Scientists characterize large numbers of independently expressed, nonprotein-coding RNA genes in the introns of protein-coding genes

BEIJING, China Scientists from the Chinese Academy of Sciences have performed a comprehensive analysis of small, non-protein-coding RNAs in the model nematode, *C. elegans*. They characterize 100 heretofore-undescribed transcripts, including two novel classes; they provide insights into the genomic structure and transcriptional regulation of non-coding RNAs; and they underscore the importance of non-coding RNAs in nematode development. Their work appears this month in the journal

Genome Research.



*"The significance of non-protein-coding RNAs as central components of various cellular processes has risen sharply over the recent years," explains Prof. Runsheng Chen, principal investigator on the study. Excluding microRNAs (miRNAs), or small transcripts that have recently received widespread attention and are known to play important roles in transcriptional regulation, small non-coding RNAs (or ncRNAs) in *C. elegans* have not been extensively investigated until now.

Using a new, high-throughput procedure to clone small, full-length ncRNAs, Chen's laboratory isolated and characterized 161 unique transcripts. A major advantage of the new cloning procedure is that it achieves an extraordinarily high detection rate for ncRNAs by current standards. "Studies published over recent years have only been able to reach a detection rate of about 3%, but our method reached a detection rate of 30% a 10-fold increase in cloning efficiency," explains Chen. "It's like going from a Model T Ford to a Ferrari in one fell swoop!"



Of the 161 transcripts detected by Chen's group, 100 were novel and 61 were previously known or predicted. Among the 100 novel genes, 30 had no known function, whereas 70 belonged to the ubiquitous class of small nucleolar RNAs (snoRNAs). Based on sequence and structural features, Chen and his colleagues were able to classify more than half of the 30 unknown RNAs into two new categories: stem-bulge RNAs (sbRNAs) and small nuclear-like RNAs (snlRNAs). Both classes of transcripts exhibited enhanced expression during the later stages of worm development, indicating a functional role for these transcripts in developmental processes.

"The interesting thing about nematodes is that their genomic organization of both snoRNAs and other ncRNAs is quite different from other animals," says Chen. In contrast to the genomes of other metazoans, where most snoRNAs are found in introns and are under the control of independent promoters, nematode snoRNA loci are both intergenic and intronic (with and without promoters). Interestingly, plant snoRNAs are primarily located in intergenic regions. Other ncRNA genes (i.e., non-snoRNA genes) are mainly located in intergenic regions in both plants and animals. But in nematodes, Chen's team found that many of these other ncRNA genes are located in the introns of host protein-coding genes and are under the control of independent promoter



Finally, Chen and his colleagues estimated that 2700 ncRNA genes are present in the *C. elegans* genome. "One particularly intriguing aspect of the non-coding transcriptome is its potential to fill the regulatory gap created by the surprisingly low number of protein-coding genes in higher organisms," says Chen. "Between one-celled yeast, thousand-celled nematodes, and trillion-celled mammals, there is a difference of a mere 6,000 to 19,000 to 25,000 in protein-coding gene numbers. We think that regulation by non-coding RNA accounts for this discrepancy and helps to explain the additional

biological complexity of higher organisms."



2、The noncoding RNA database– NONCODE



二、Noncoding RNA would be the Elements of Biological Network





Protein Network

RNA Network









3, Bi-colored network



MicroRNAs regulate microRNAs — a network of mutual microRNA control *Trans in Genetics* 2008, **24**:323

 Messenger-like ncRNAs show miRNA-related reductions in expression, that means they would be regulated by microRNAs (miRNAs) like mRNA targets.
The mRNA-like-ncRNAs serve as vectors or storage forms for short ncRNAs (MicroRNA).



NcRNA-NcRNA Interaction Network









And they hypothesized a regulatory relationship between microRNAs. If this model is true, it will further greatly stimulate the community's interest in the regulatory role of microRNA, and represents a **milestone** in exploring microRNA's functionality.



Ξ , Variety of NcRNA regulation

miRNA-induced transcriptional inhibition





Double-stranded RNA (dsRNA) binds to the protein Dicer ...

... which cleaves dsRNA into smaller fragments.

One of the RNA strands is loaded into a RISC complex...

...and links the complex to the mRNA strand by basepairing.

mRNA is cleaved and destroyed. No protein can be synthesized.





- Wang Y,, Patel DJ.
- *Nature*. 2008, 456:209-213; *Nature*. 2008, 456:921-926;
- Nature.2009, 461:754-761; Nat Struct Mol Biol. 2010, 17: 781-787.



miRNA-induced transcriptional gene silencing Promotor associated RNA Transcriptional activity Promoter-associated RNA is required for RNAin the promoter region directed transcriptional gene silencing of a target gene is in human cells PNAS 2007 required for siRNA-Jiang Han*, Daniel Kim[†], and Kevin V. Morris*[‡] induced transcriptional silencing miR-10a inhibits hoxd4 transcription Transfection studies 1.5 Relative *hoxd*4 Cont expression 0.9 2 Hoxd4 expression is inhibited by miR-10a _ Mock Anti-miR-10a increases hoxd4 expression 🔳 miR-10a Inhibition not mediated by the 3'UTR 0.3 O MCF7 MDA-MB-231 Nuclear run-on assay confirms • 3.0 E transcriptional inhibition Relative *hoxd4* expression 1.8 1.2 □ N.C. 2.4 Relative luciferase^o Anti-miR-196a 1.5 Mock Anti-miR-10a 1.2 ■ miR-10a activity □ Cont ■ Mock 1.5 0.9 Relative hoxd4 ⊡ miR-10a u 1.2 0.9 0.6 0.3 ∎ sid4 0.6 0.6 0.3 MCF7 MDA-MB-231 0 hoxd10 hoxd4 3'UTR 3'UTR 0.3 Transcriptional inhibiton of Hoxd4 expression by miRNA-10a in 0 cytoplasm nucleus human breast cancer cells BMC Molecular Biology 2009, 10:12

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Switching from Repression to Activation: MicroRNAs Can Up-Regulate Translation.

Vasudevan S, Tong Y, Steitz J A. *Science*, 2007, 318(5858): 1931—1934.

AU-rich elements (AREs) and microRNA target sites are conserved sequences in messenger RNA (mRNA) 3' untranslated regions (3'UTRs) that control gene expression posttranscriptionally. Upon cell cycle arrest, the ARE in tumor necrosis factor—a (TNFa) mRNA is transformed into a translation activation signal, recruiting Argonaute (AGO) and fragile X mental retardation—related protein 1 (FXR1), factors associated with micro-ribonucleoproteins (microRNPs). We show that human microRNA miR369-3 directs association of these proteins with the AREs to activate translation. Furthermore, we document that two well-studied microRNAs—Let-7 and the synthetic microRNA miR2xcr4—likewise induce translation upregulation of target mRNAs on cell cycle arrest, yet they repress translation in proliferating cells. Thus, activation is a common function of microRNPs oscillates between repression and activation during the cell cycle.





miR-328 Functions as an RNA Decoy to Modulate hnRNP E2 Regulation of mRNA Translation in Leukemic Blasts.

Cell, Volume 140, 652-665, 5 March 2010



四、NcRNA Mutation can also lead to Disease



Examples of IncRNAs correlated with diseases/disorders (Kannanganattu V. Prasanth and David L. Spector, Genes Dev. 2007 21: 11-42)

NcRNAs	Disease/disorder	Reference	
NcRNAs with altered express	ion levels in cancer		
Antisense intronic	Prostate cancer	Reis et al. 2004	
ncRNAs			
BC1	Overexpressed in several cancers	Chen et al. 1997b	
BC200	Overexpressed in breast, cervix, esophagus, lung,	Chen et al. 1997a; Iacoangeli et al. 2004	
	ovary, parotid, and tongue cancer(乳腺、宫颈、食道、肺、卵巢、腮腺、舌癌)		
BCMS	B-cell neoplasia (B-细胞瘤)	Wolf et al. 2001	
CMPD	Campomyelic displasia (短指發育不良)	Ninomiya et al. 1996	
DD3	Overexpressed in prostate cancer	Bussemakers et al. 1999	
H19	Overexpressed in liver and breast cancer	Looijenga et al. 1997; Lottin et al. 2002	
HIS-1	Overexpressed in myeloid leukemia	Askew et al. 1994	
HOST2	Expressed in ovarian cancer cells	Rangel et al. 2003	
MALAT-1	NSCLC, endometrial sarcoma, and hepatocellular	Ji et al. 2003; Lin et al. 2006; Yamada et al.	
	carcinoma(子宫内膜肉瘤、肝细胞癌)	2006	
NC612	Prostate cancer	A.P. Silva et al. 2003	
NCRMS	Elevated expression in alveolar rhabdomyosarcoma	(横纹肌肉瘤) Chan et al. 2002	
OCC1	Overexpressed in colon carcinoma	Pibouin et al. 2002	
PCGEM1	Overexpressed in prostate cancer	Srikantan et al. 2000	
PEG8/IGF2AS	Fetal tumors	Okutsu et al. 2000	
SRA	Steroid receptor activated RNA isoform expressed	Lanz et al. 1999	
	in breast cancer		
TRNG10	Various cancers	Roberts et al. 1998	
U50HG	snoRNA host gene; located at the chromosomal	Tanaka et al. 2000	
	breakpoint involved in human B-cell lymphoma		
NcRNAs correlated with neur	ological diseases/disorders		
BC200	Alzheimer's	Lukiw et al. 1992	
DISC2	Schizophrenia and bipolar affective disorder	Millar et al. 2000, 2004; Blackwood et al.2001	
IPW	Prader-Willi syndrome	Wevrick et al. 1994	
Prion-associated RNAs	Prion pathologies	Deleault et al. 2003; Supattapone 2004	
PSZA11q14	Reduced expression in brains of patients with	Polesskaya et al. 2003	
	schizophrenia (精神分裂症)		
RAY1/ST7	Autistic disorder	Vincent et al. 2002	
SCA8 (KLHL1 antisense)	Spinocerebellar ataxia type 8	Nemes et al. 2000; Mutsuddi et al. 2004	
UBE3A-AS	Angelman syndrome	Chamberlain and Brannan 2001	
ZNF127AS	Prader-Willi syndrome	Jong et al. 1999	





NcRNAs correlated with other diseases/disorders			
22k48	HIRA intronic transcript deleted in DiGeorge syndrome	Pizzuti et al. 1999	
C6orf37OS	Antisense transcript from C6orf37 locus within	Matsuzaka et al. 2002	
	diffuse panbronchiolitis critical region		
COPG2IT1	Russell-Silver syndrome	Yamasaki et al. 2000	
DGCR5	Disrupted in DiGeorge syndrome	Sutherland et al. 1996	
H19	Beckwith-Wiedemann syndrome	Sparago et al. 2004	
LIT1	Beckwith-Wiedemann syndrome	Niemitz et al. 2004	
LIT1	Romano-Ward, Jervell and Lange-Nielsen	Horike et al.2000	
	syndromes		
MESTIT 1	Russell-Silver syndrome	T. Li et al. 2002; Nakabayashi et al. 2002	
PRINS	Psoriasis	Sonkoly et al. 2005	

此外:

一种名为HOTAIR的lincRNA在原发乳腺癌和其迁移过程中表达量上升。HOTAIR表达水平可以作为最终迁移和死亡预测指标。上皮细胞癌中HOTAIR表达上升,导致PRC2重新定位且类似于胚胎成纤维细胞,致使组蛋白H3的27位赖氨酸甲基化、基因表达改变,癌症的侵入和迁移增加。相反,HOTAIR缺失可以抑制癌症的迁移,特别是在有过量PRC2的细胞中。这些发现表明lincRNA在调控癌症表观组时有积极作用,可能作为癌症诊断和治疗的重要靶点。(Chang, Howard Y. Nature Volume 464 April 2010)

Cancer-Associated Long Non-Coding RNA Regulates Pre-mRNA Splicing

ScienceDaily (Sep. 27, 2010) — Researchers report this month that MALAT1, a long non-coding RNA that is implicated in certain cancers, regulates pre-mRNA splicing -- a critical step in the earliest stage of protein production. Their study appears in the journal *Molecular Cell*.



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Difficulty of RNA Research



1、Big dataVolumeVarietyVelocityValue

genome Transcriptome proteinome





2、Small samples




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3、Low frequence of effective events

different tissue period state



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4、Complex network













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Bioinformatics in noncoding RNA Research





Predict: noncoding gene regulatory element of gene expression target of noncoding RNA interaction between noncoding **RNA** and another macromolecule **3D-structure of noncoding RNA**





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NONCODE v4: exploring the world of long noncoding RNA

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An overview of updates in NONCODE v4.0



* represents that this process is specified to IncRNAs in human and mouse. 國科学院全物物理研究所

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The number of ncRNAs in 4 version of NONCODE

Version	Publication	Total ncRNA number	lncRNA number	Functional annotation, etc	Services
1.0	2005- NAR	5,339	1,557	Process, function, class	Browse, Search, Download
2.0	2008- NAR	206,226	35,805	Process, function, class	Browse, Search, Download, Blast, Genome Browser
3.0	2012- NAR	411,552	73,370	Process ,function, class Expression profile, predicted functions	Browse, Search, Download, Blast, Genome Browser, Soap API, DAS, On-line Submission
4.0	2014- NAR	523,976	14,744	IncRNA Gene, Expression profile, predicted functions	Browse, Search, Download, Blast, Genome Browser, On- line Submission, iLncRNA, ID conversion.





NETWATCH

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IMAGES

Sketching Out Past Worlds

For more than 200 years, drawings of fossils and extinct plants and animals have helped paleontologists share their findings with other scientists and

the public. A new site from illustrator Mary Parrish of the Smithsonian Institution's National Museum of Natural History in Washington, D.C., explores this corner of paleobiology. An online gallery displays examples, such as this *Triceratops* from the dinosaur collection of late 19th-century paleontologist Othniel Charles Marsh. The site's primer on techniques describes how drawings provide what photos can't: reconstructing a jumble of fossilized bones, putting fiesh on a skeleton, or illustrating an ancient landscape. A third section discusses the museum's efforts to preserve its 3500 illustrations, launched in 1995 after staffers discovered a crumbling cache of irk drawings.

www.nmnh.si.edu/paleo/PaleoArt

DATA BASES

Decoding the Noncode

Researchers once paid little attention to RNA that doesn't code for or help manufacture proteins, but they now realize that strands of untranslated RNA perform all kinds of tasks that keep a cell humming. A new database called NO NCO DE, ' from the Chinese Academy of Sciences, documents more than 5000 noncoding RNA sequences from hundreds of organisms. Curators pull sequences from GenBank and other sources, then annotate them by consulting the literature. Categories include disease and function, such as DNA repair or protein transport. NONCODE debuted this month in the annual database issue of open-access *Nucleic Acids Research*, twhich lists 719 databases of note on everything from immune system genes to the silkworm genome.

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TOOLS

Map-o-Matic

Earth's lithospheric plates (black) meet at geologically active zones in this strain rate map of the world. Red and magerta mark regions with the highest deformation rate, such as south of Sumatra, where a magnitude 9.0 eruption spawned the 26 December tsunami. The image was created with a handy mapping tool from UNAVCO Inc., a nonprofit earth science organization in Boulder, Colorado. After developing the tool 5 years ago for geophysicists, software developer Lou Estey realized it would be a snap to pull in public data sets on the planets, Earth's vegetation,

and much more. Users can zoom in, pan out, or download high-resolution maps for printing. A junior version now used by some teachers makes it even easier to create a map of active volcances, say, or the world lit up at night. "I've sat down and showed 8-year-olds, and in 5 minutes they're having a blast," says Estey.

jules.unavco.org

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RESOURCES

Growth Spurt at Tree of Life

The Tree of Life made a big splash when it debuted in 1994 in the Web's early days. But like many sites, it soon entered a dormant phase. Now the online phylogeny project has gotten new funding and a new educational mission and is seeking more contributors.

The revamped site retains the core of the original tree—now some 3000 pages on beetles, cephalopods, fish, flatworms, and other organisms—but it's now database-driven. That allows visitors to create custom pages on the fity that include, say,

> an online glossary or more images, notes co-creator David Maddison of the University of Arizona in Tucson. And the tree now invites visi tors of all stripes to contribute material linked to the core scientific pages. This supplemental information might include a fruit fly geneticist's data, shots from a professional photographer, or "treehouses" created by children.

children. The tree's species pages have been sprouting new shoots, too, on

groups such as angiosperms and fungi (above, a bioluminescent mushroom, Panellus stypticus). Other sections—such as those on mammals and birds—are still mostly blank. But with revisions to the site's architecture and tools now complete, says managing editor Katja Schulz, "this is the year we hope the content takes off."

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NPInter: a database of ncRNA interactions

http://www.bioinfo.org/NPInter/



Application of NPInter v1.0

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The data in NPInter are novel, in the sense that no earlier database has ... Therefore, NPInter sets up a bridge between the coding and the noncoding realms.

Predicting protein associations with long noncoding RNAs

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NPInter Class	# Interactions
The ncRNA binds the protein	239
The protein as a factor affects the ncRNA's function	88
The ncRNA is regulated by the protein	22
Special linkages between the ncRNA and the Protein	8
Genetic interaction between the ncRNA gene and the protein	13
The ncRNA regulates the mRNA	24
The ncRNA indirectly regulates a gene (DNA)	9
The ncRNA as a factor affects the protein's function	2





Performance (dp) on NPInter dataset. The long noncoding database contains 405 interactions from 6 model organisms. Only for a subset of the NPInter database direct physical evidence for protein-RNA interactions is reported.



 $P \le 0.001$

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Data Collection for NPInter v2.



Detecting chips



Expression profiling array for noncoding RNA



Data collection of long noncoding RNA

IncRNA source	V1.0	V2.0	V3.0
GENCODE/ENSEMBL	· /	12754	22444
Human LincRNA Catalog		8195	14353
RefSeq	4765	4765	4814
UCSC gene	13521	13521	5596
NRED	1289	1289	13701
H-InvDB	17203	17203	1038
Enhancer-like IncRNA	2975	2975	3019
RNAdb			1599
Antisense ncRNA pipeline	1053	1053	1053
ncRNAs from IBP	848	848	848
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total	42283	63639	70856
After reduced redundancy	30,622	35,024	37,491



Flowsheet

GENCODE、RefSeq、 UCSC gene、Human lincRNA catalog、 IncRNAdb等13个主流 IncRNA数据库及相关文献 报道的序列。

陈润生院士实验室发现的未 发生的848名IncRNA

总计73,370条序列

Agilent Human 8x60K V2









Algorithm



Spectrum Analysis algorithm



The physical interactions are transformed into a graph, where each node represents a protein and each edge an interaction between two proteins. We apply the graph theory to analyze the complex protein-protein interaction network. A bi-directed graph G(V,E):

vertex set $V = \{P_1, P_2 \dots P_n\}$

edge set $E = \{(P_i, P_j) \mid \text{ there exists interaction between } protein P_i \text{ and } P_i.$

The symmetric $n \times n$ adjacent matrix is defined as $A = (a_{ij})$, where $a_{ij} = 1$, if $(P_i, P_j) \in E$, and $a_{ij} = 0$, if $(P_i, P_j) \notin E$.



Supposed there exists such a property X. A real number Xi would be used to measure the ith protein's intensity of property X, and Xi would be larger if the protein is intensive. If a protein has an intensive property, the neighbors interacting with it would also have the property through the interaction.

$$\Delta X_i = c \times \sum_{j=1}^n a_{ij} \times X_j$$
, where c is a positive constant.

we could not compute out the real number Xi directly for its cyclic definition. The iteration method has been used to deal with such a cycle. It's interesting that Xi would converge to a fixed point, which is only concerned with the interaction network and independent of the original assignment.



Procedure

GetScore for $(A_{n \times n})$; Initialize the score vector $X^{(0)}$ ($X = \{X_1, X_2...X_n\}$) with random assignment;

Repeat /* Iteration procedure */ for i = 1 to n do $X_{j}^{(k+1)} = \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{ij} * X_{j}^{(k)}$ $X^{(k+1)} = \frac{X^{(k+1)}}{\|X^{(k+1)}\|}; k++;$ Until $X^{(k)}$ is stable;



We could prove that the X would converge to a fixed point, which is one eigenvetor of the matrix. For matrix $A_{n \times n}$ is symmetrix, all of its eigenvectors constructs a spectrum.



Theorem 1. With arbitrary initial assignment to $X^{(0)}$, the iteration procedure would converge to an engienvector of the symmetric matrix A.

Proof: Assume matrix A's rank is r, and its eigenvectors are given by $\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots, \xi_r$ with corresponding eigenvalue $\lambda_1 \ge \lambda_2 \ge \dots \ge \lambda_r$. For A is symmetric, so all the eigenvectors all mutually orthogonal and form a basis in r-dimensional space. So we have

 $X^{(0)} = c_1 * \xi_1 + c_2 * \xi_2 + \dots + c_r * \xi_r$



After a pass of iteration, we would get:

$$W^{(k+1)} = (A_{n \times n})^T \times W^{(k)}$$

$$= A * (c_{1} * \chi_{1} * \eta_{1} + c_{2} * \chi_{2} * \eta_{2} + \dots c_{m} * \chi_{m} * \eta_{m})$$

$$= c_{1} * \chi_{1}^{2} * \eta_{1} + c_{2} * \chi_{2}^{2} * \eta_{2} + \dots c_{m} * \chi_{m}^{2} * \eta_{m}$$

As $\left(\frac{\lambda_{2}}{\lambda_{1}}\right) < 1, \left(\frac{\lambda_{3}}{\lambda_{1}}\right) < 1 \dots \left(\frac{\lambda_{m}}{\lambda_{1}}\right) < 1$ we would get $W^{(k)} \approx c_{1} * \chi_{1}^{k} * \xi_{1}^{k}$

when k tends to infinite large. So X would converge to a fixed point independent of the original assignment.



The protein-protein interaction network: before and after spectral analysis




The topological structure in protein-protein interaction network In clique, proteins connect quite tightly, almost interacting with each other. However, in each bipartite, proteins were divided into two parts, proteins seldom connect in same parts but connect tightly with proteins in counter part.





The percentage of function classes in every clique





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