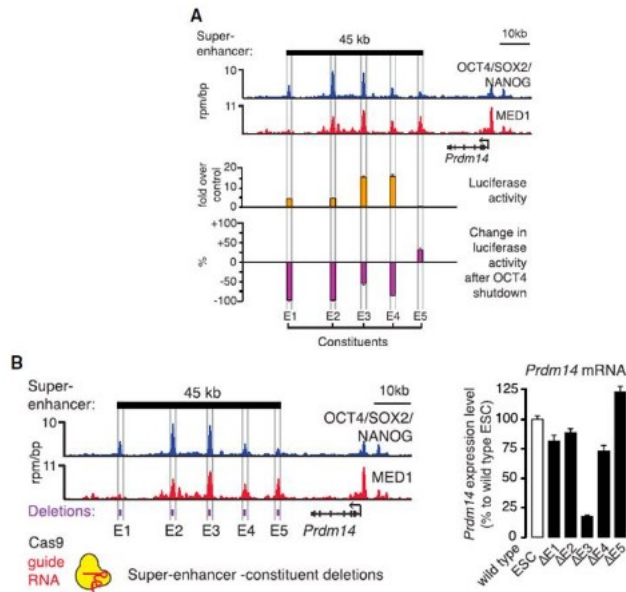


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- a. OCT4 is bound to constituents enhancers and the OCT4 silencing is used to demonstrate the role of OCT4 in these specific genomic regulatory regions
- b. OCT4 is bound to constituents enhancers and the OCT4 silencing is used to demonstrate the role of OCT4 to induce Prdm14 expression ✗
- c. to demonstrate that OCT4 didn't involve in the activation of transcription
- d. to demonstrate that OCT4 wasn't necessary to induce luciferase expression



What is the meaning to apply two techniques in the SE study?



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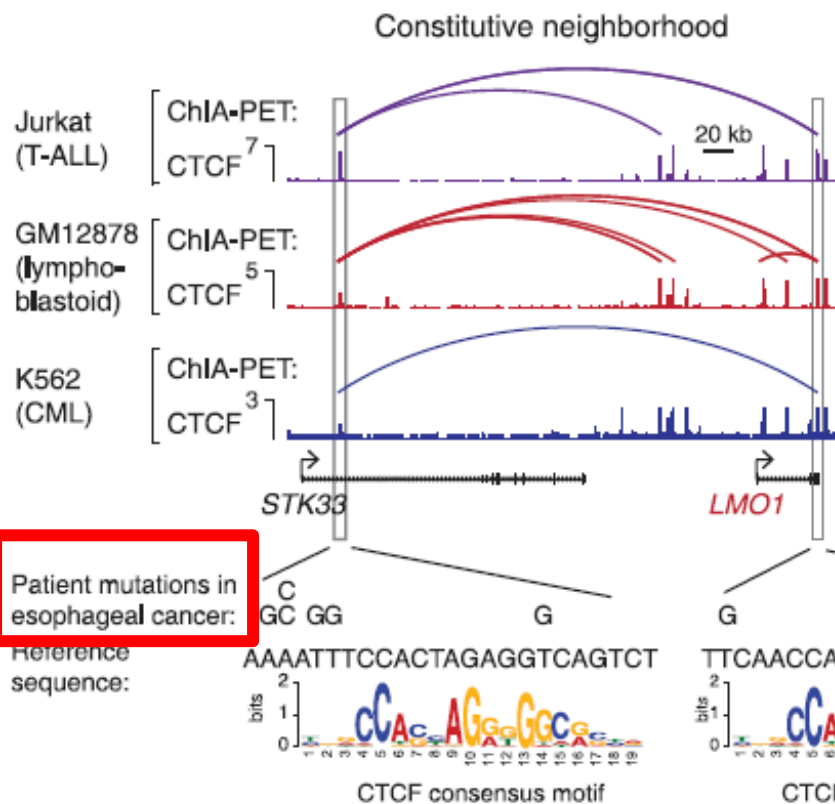
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- b. E1 is the enhancer that play a crucial role in the regulation of gene expression because it has high level of Luciferase activity and low level of Prdm14 expression using CRISPR-Cas9 systems
- c. E3 is the enhancer that play a crucial role in the regulation of gene expression because it has high level of Luciferase activity and low level of Prdm14 expression using CRISPR-Cas9 systems ✓
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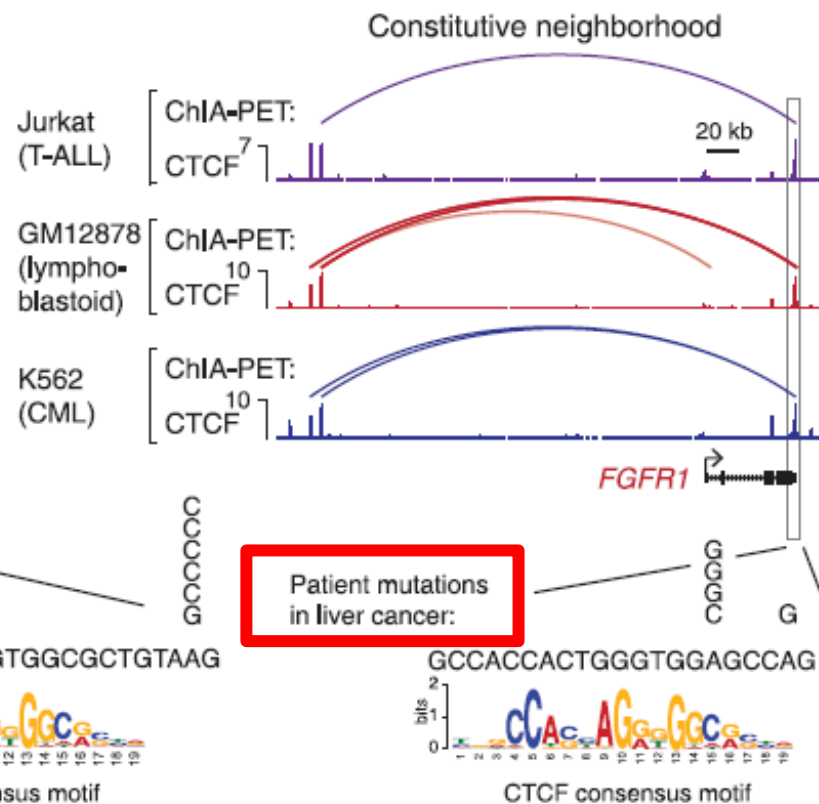
**Somatic mutations of neighborhood boundaries
occur in many cancers.**

Mutations in the boundary sites In cancers

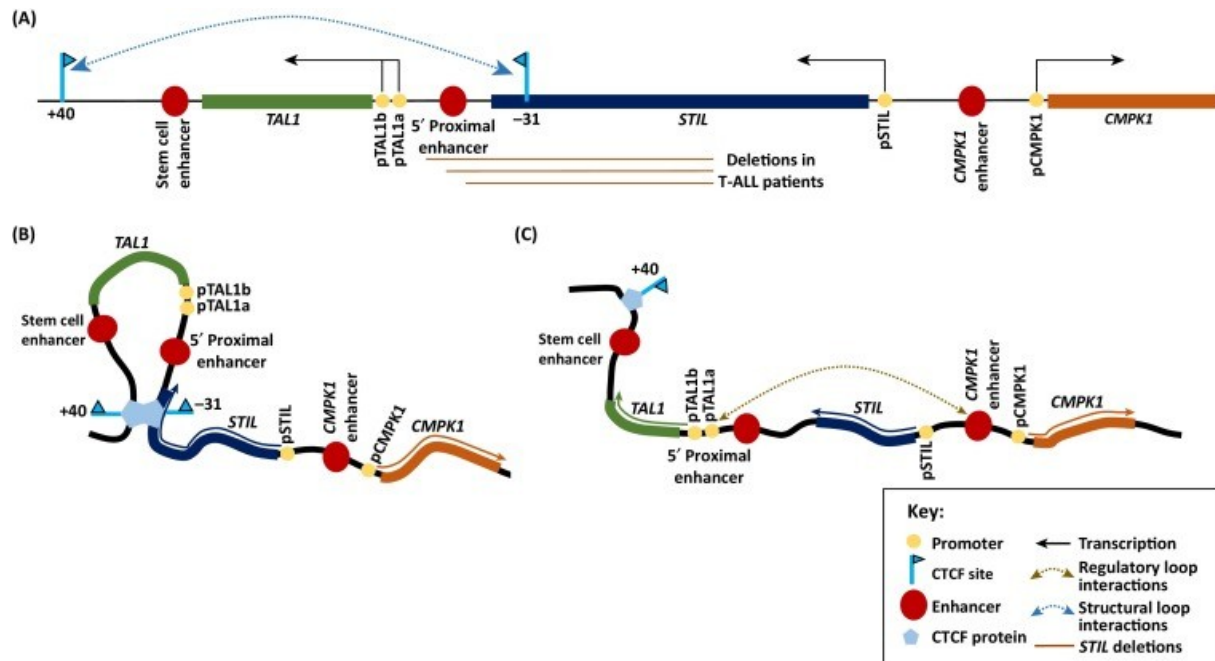
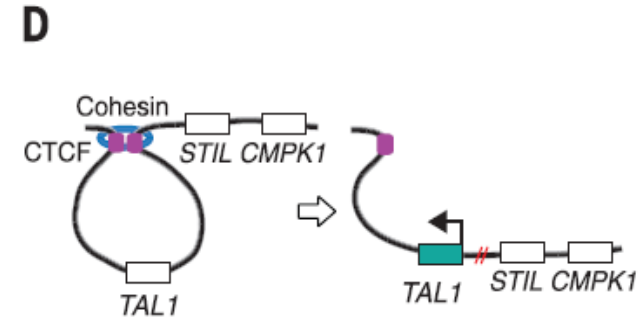
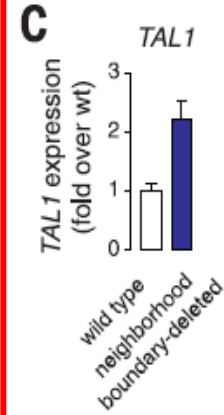
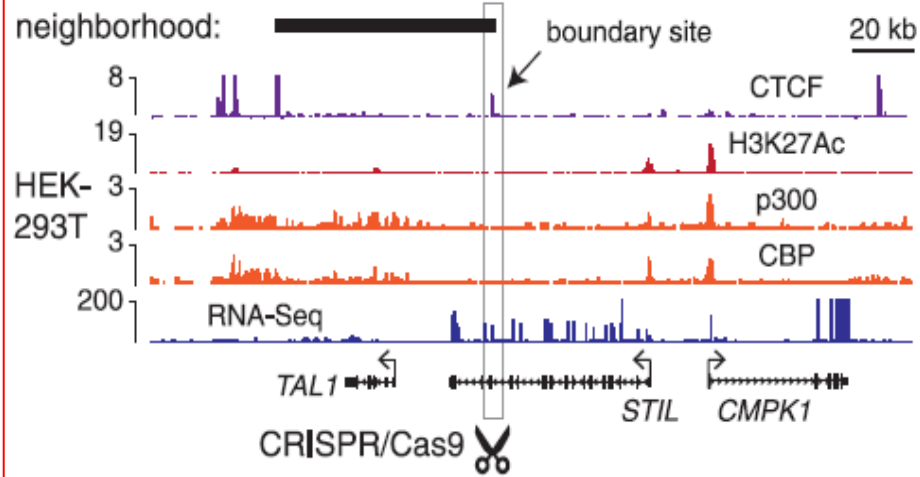
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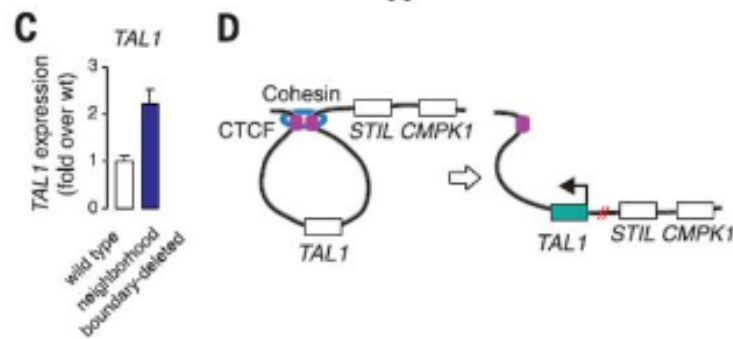
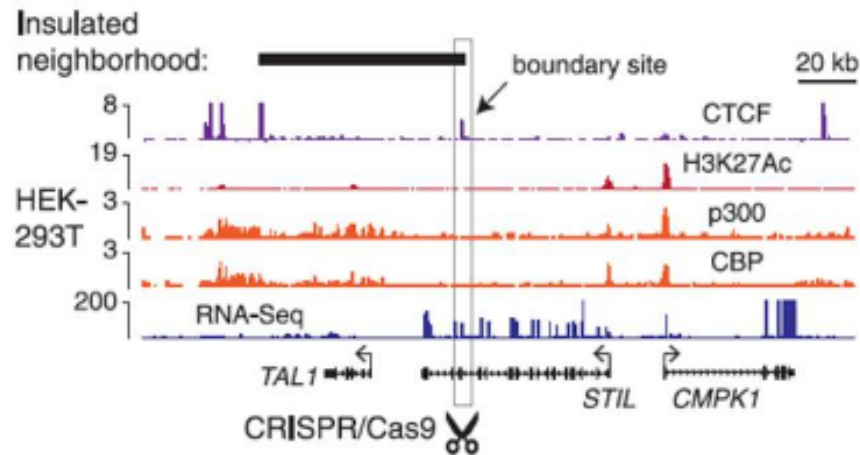


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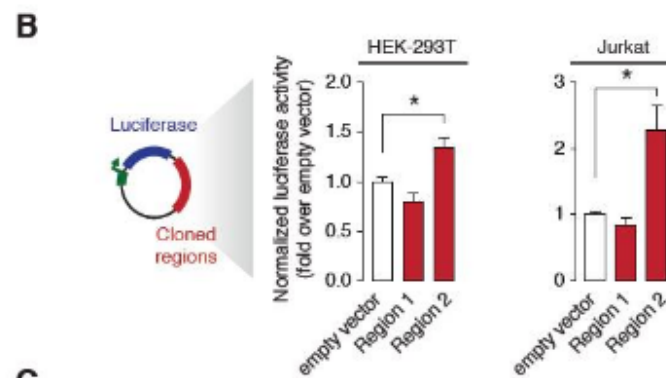
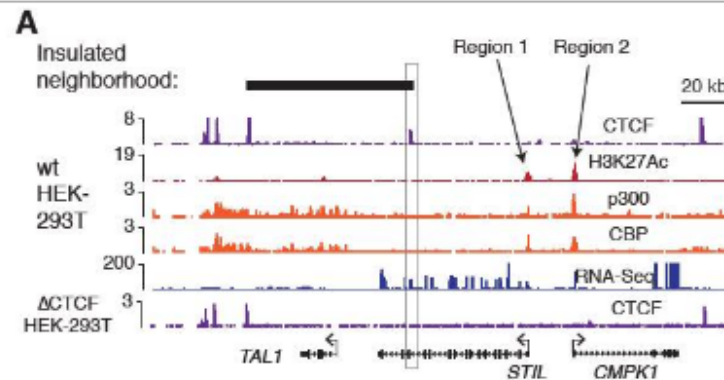


Insulated neighborhood:





The CRISPR-Cas9 cleavage of CTCF regions gives an increase in the expression of TAL1 probably under the action of STIL and CMPK1 promoters which will act as Enhancers on TAL1. H3K27Ac is a marker of active enhancer and might be involved in TAL1 expression.



They test these two regions to see if they are responsible for the activation of TAL1. These regions are active as is possible to see from Chip seq analysis for H3k27ac, p300 and CBP and to verify if they are responsible for the proto oncogene activation they clone these regions in a vector carrying the luciferase reporter. From these analysis they see that only the region 2 leads to an increase in luciferase expression indicating that this region is the responsible for tal1 expression.

Insulated Neighborhoods: Structural and Functional Units of Mammalian Gene Control

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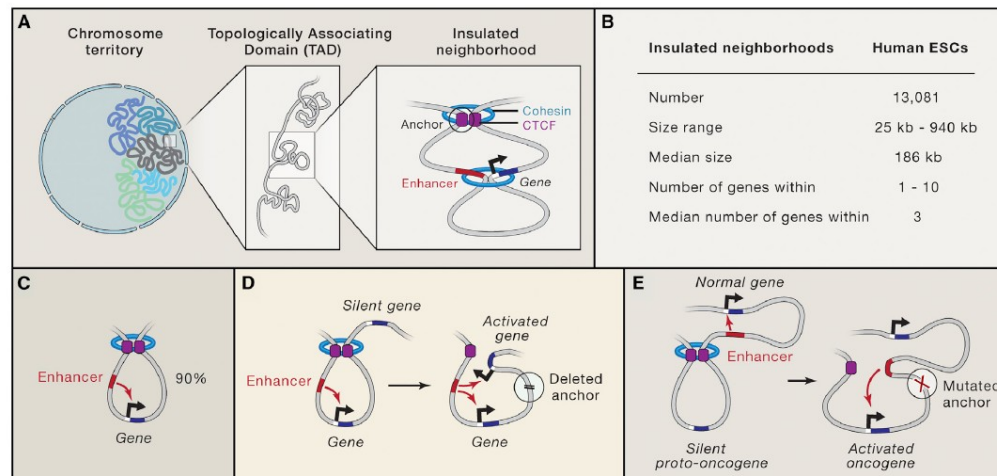
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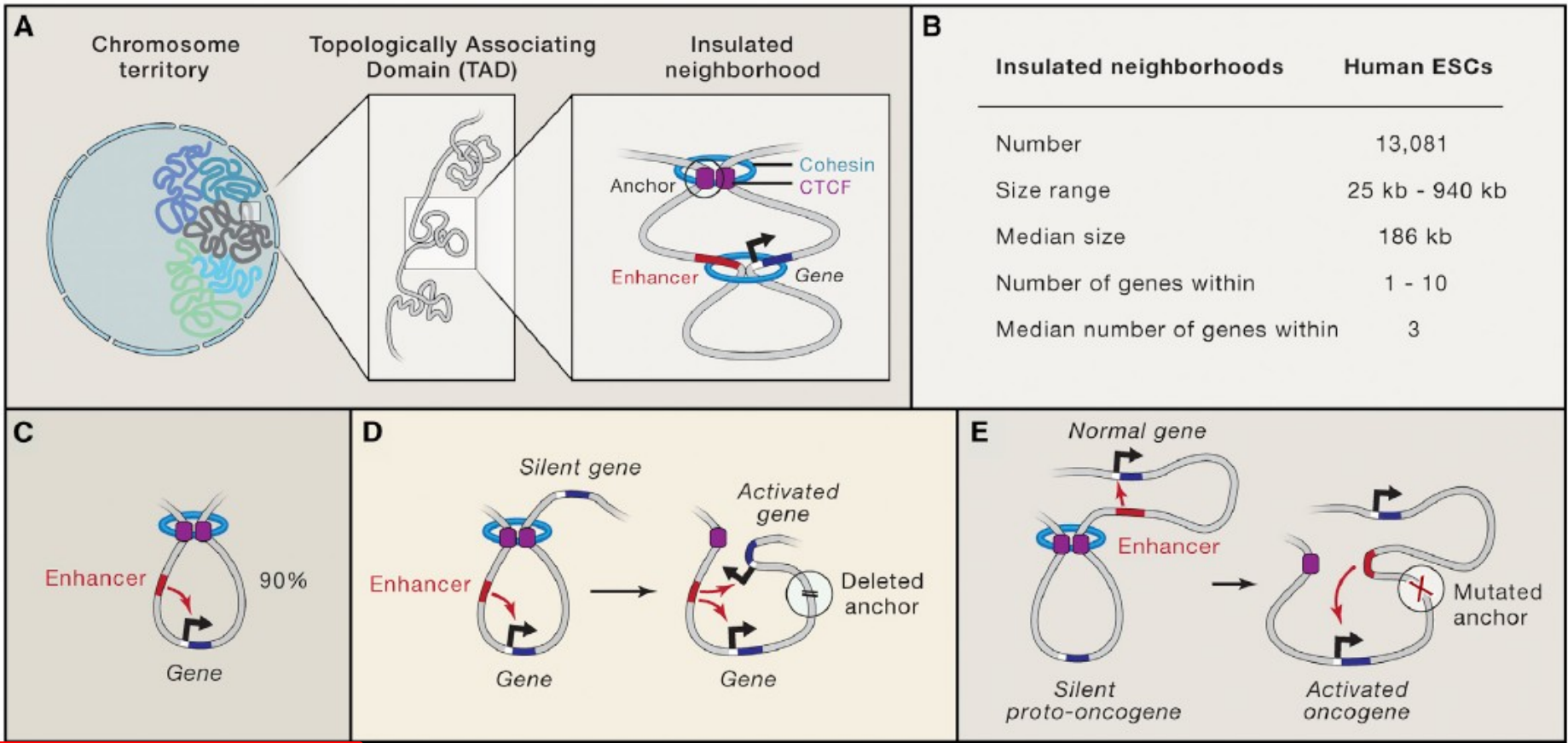
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Understanding how transcriptional enhancers control over 20,000 protein-coding genes to maintain cell-type-specific gene expression programs in all human cells is a fundamental challenge in regulatory biology. Recent studies suggest that gene regulatory elements and their target genes generally occur within insulated neighborhoods, which are chromosomal loop structures formed by the interaction of two DNA sites bound by the CTCF protein and occupied by the cohesin complex. Here, we review evidence that insulated neighborhoods provide for specific enhancer-gene interactions, are essential for both normal gene activation and repression, form a chromosome scaffold that is largely preserved throughout development, and are perturbed by genetic and epigenetic factors in disease. Insulated neighborhoods are a powerful paradigm for gene control that provides new insights into development and disease.



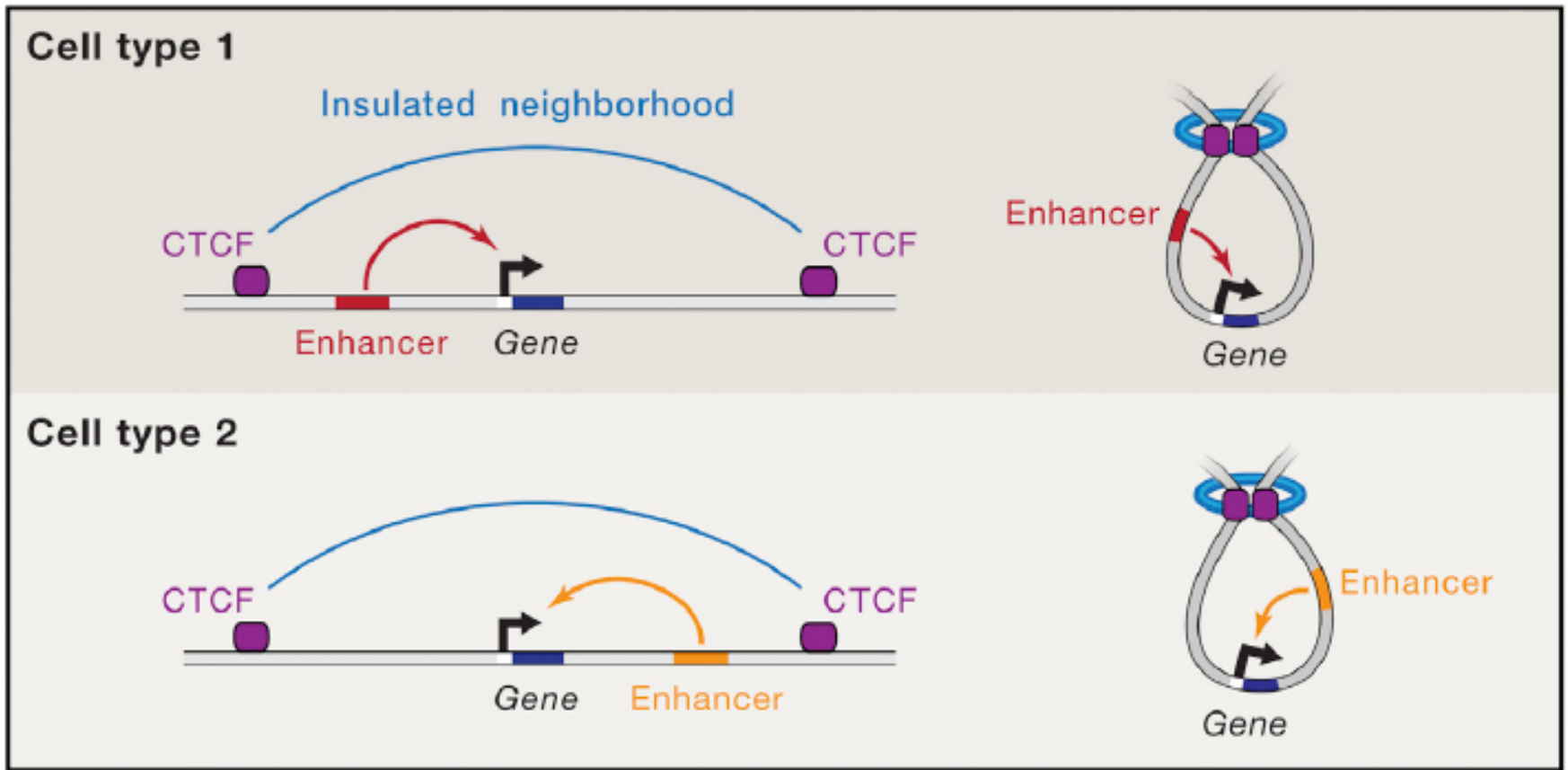


90% of enhancer-gene interactions occur within insulated neighborhoods in human ESCs

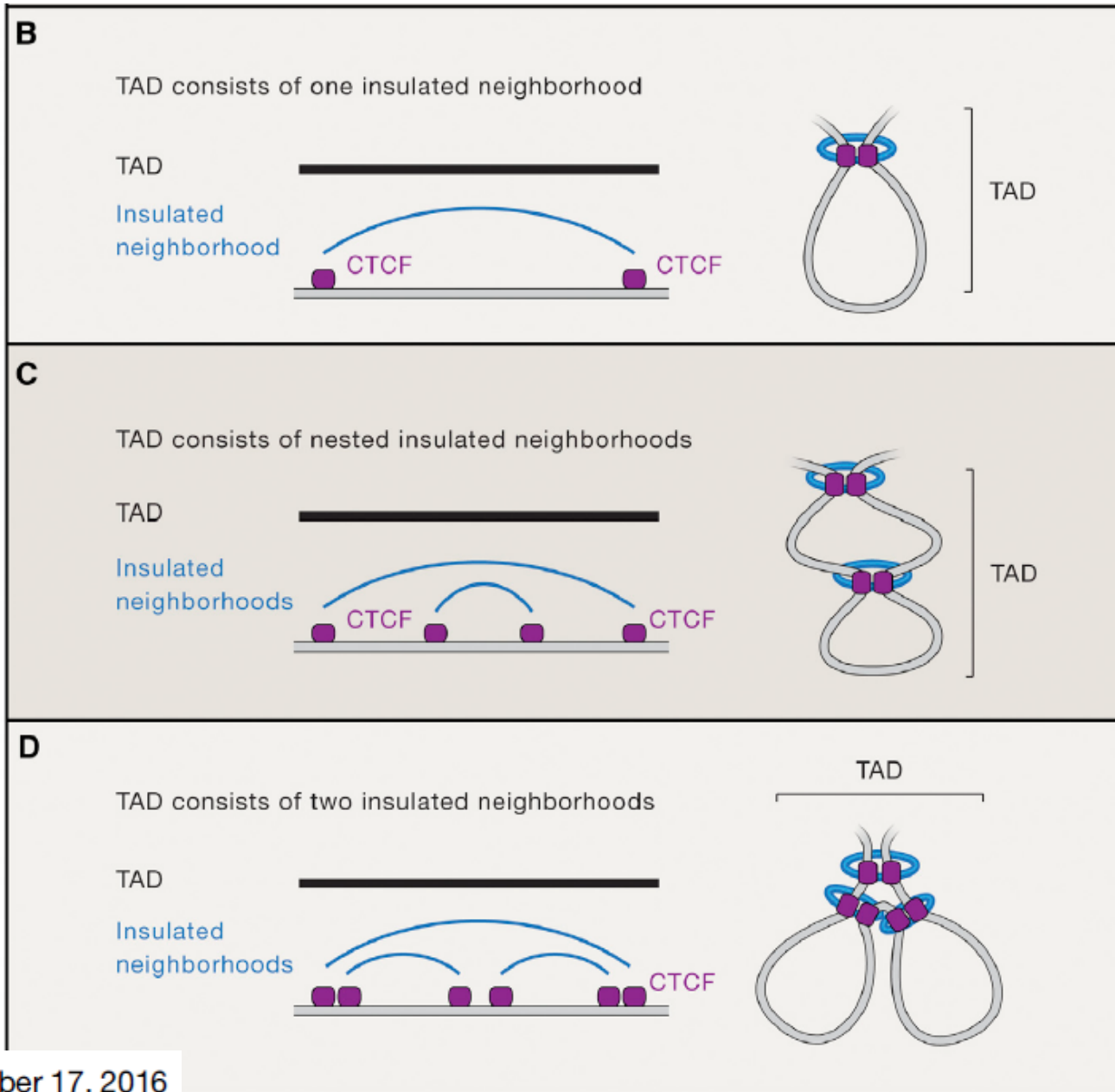
deletion of insulated neighborhood anchors leads to gene misregulation

mutations of insulated neighborhood anchors in tumor cells lead to oncogene activation

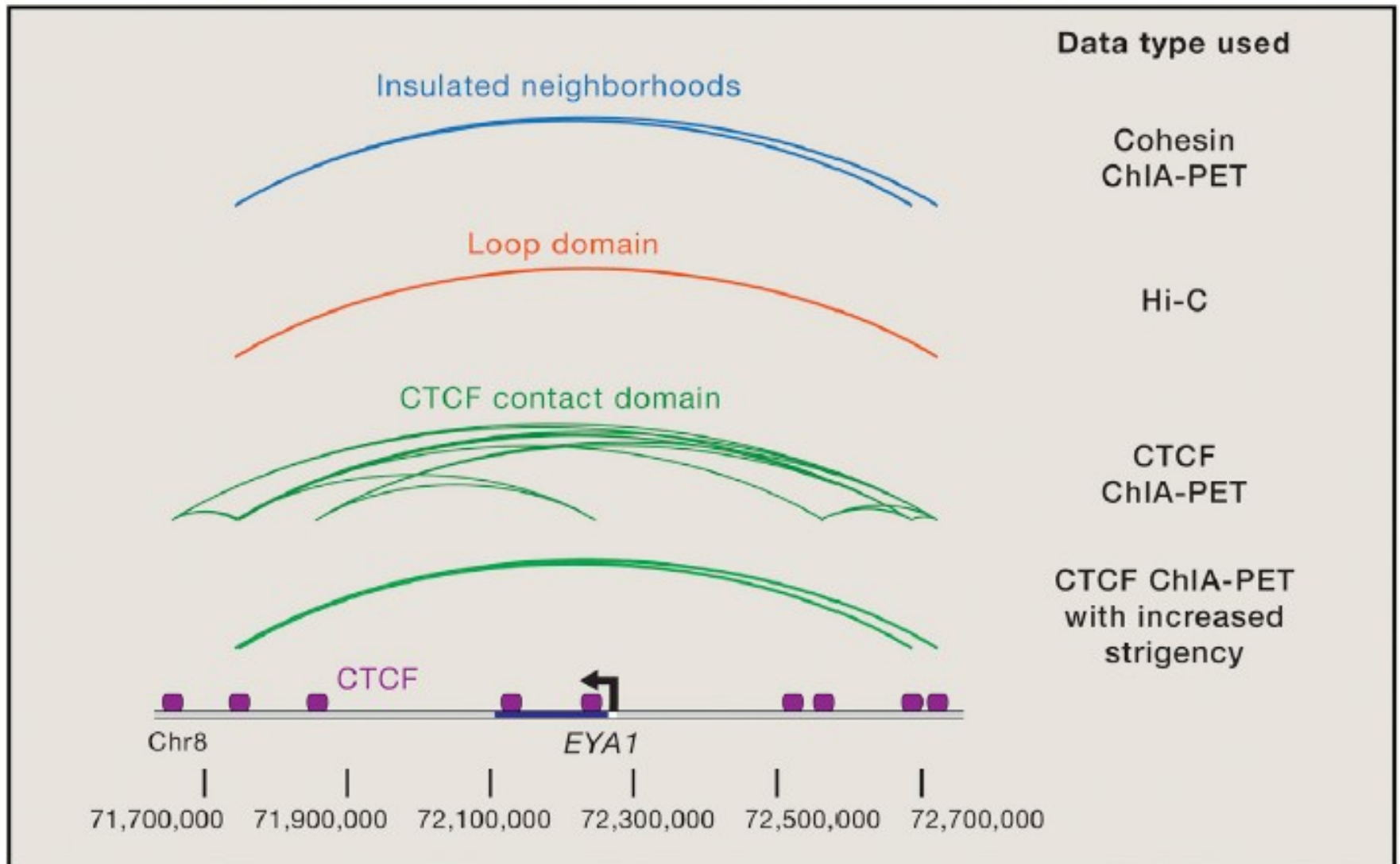
Cell-type specific enhancers –gene interactions occur within the boundaries



Insulated neighborhoods are a major structuring component of TADs.



Comparison between several techniques for identification of long range interaction



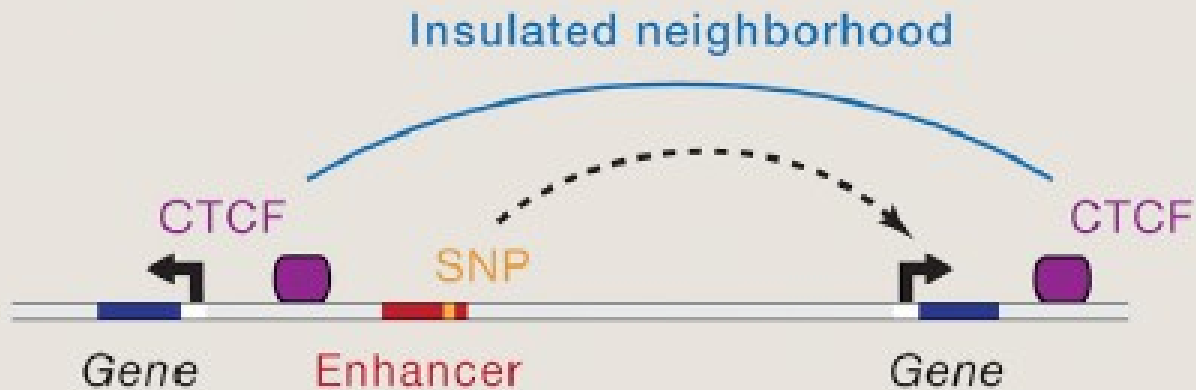
How SNPs affect long range interactions of the chromatin

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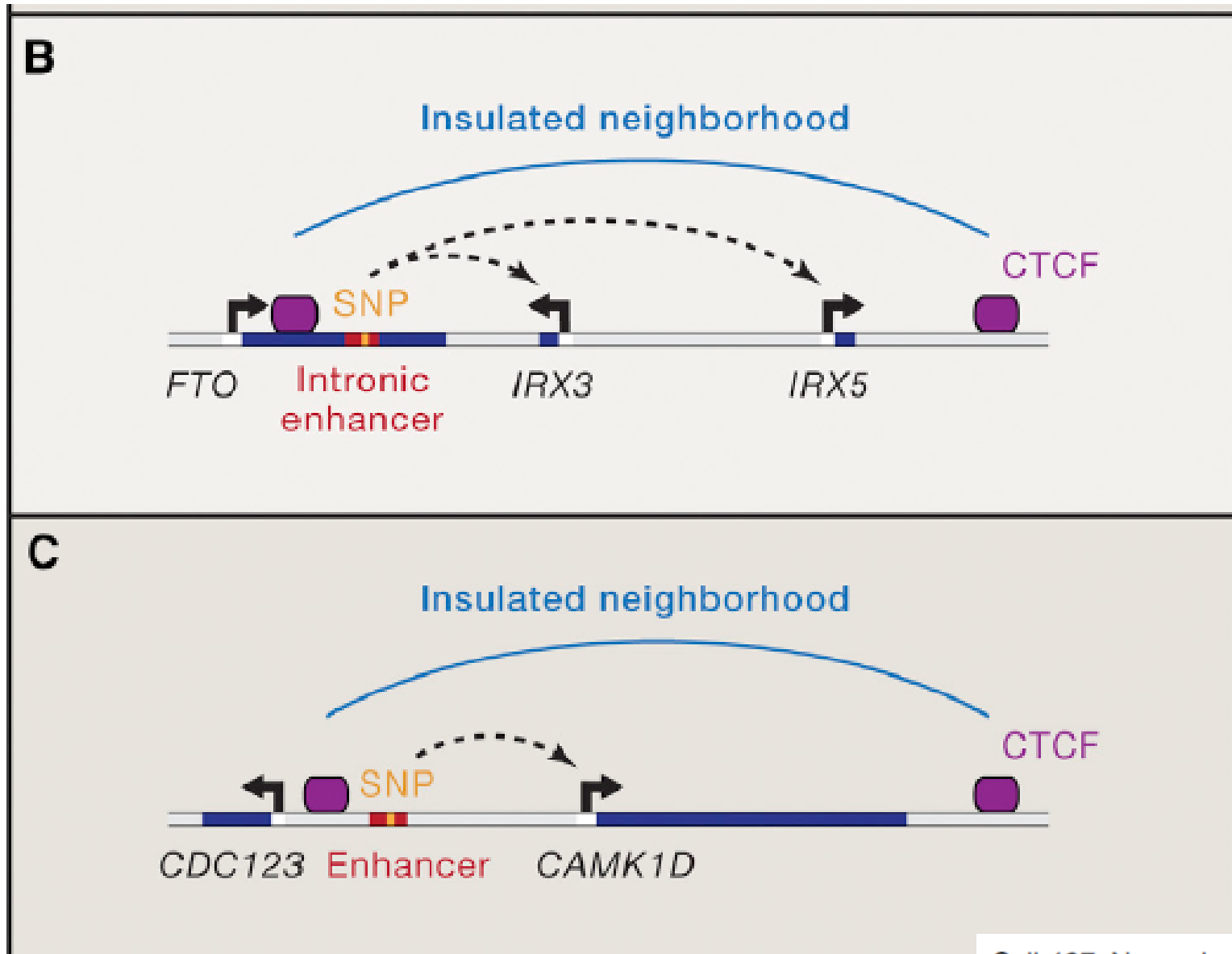
Assigning SNP to gene based on proximity



Assigning SNP to gene using insulated neighborhoods



How SNPs affect long range interactions of the chromatin



Insulated neighborhoods:

are structural and functional units of gene control

are used during development to control the diverse cell identities that contribute to complex animals

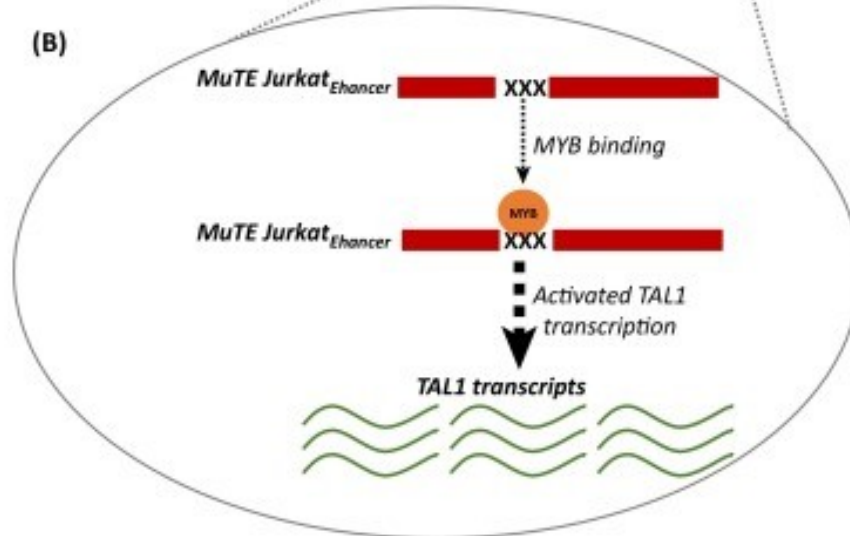
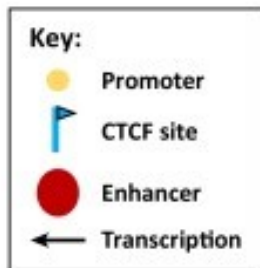
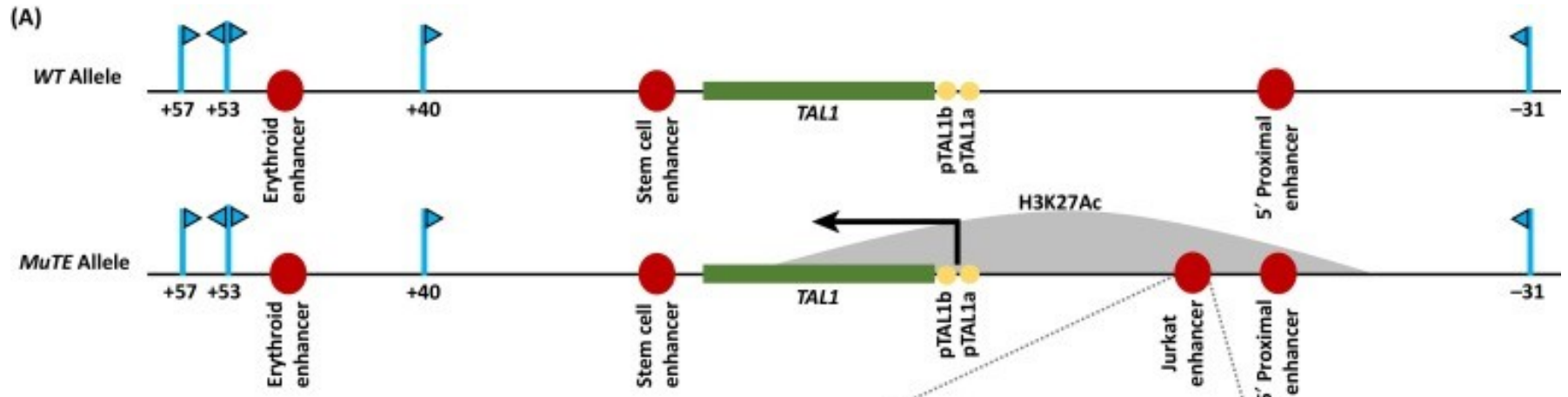
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genetic and epigenetic perturbations of neighborhood boundaries contribute to disease.

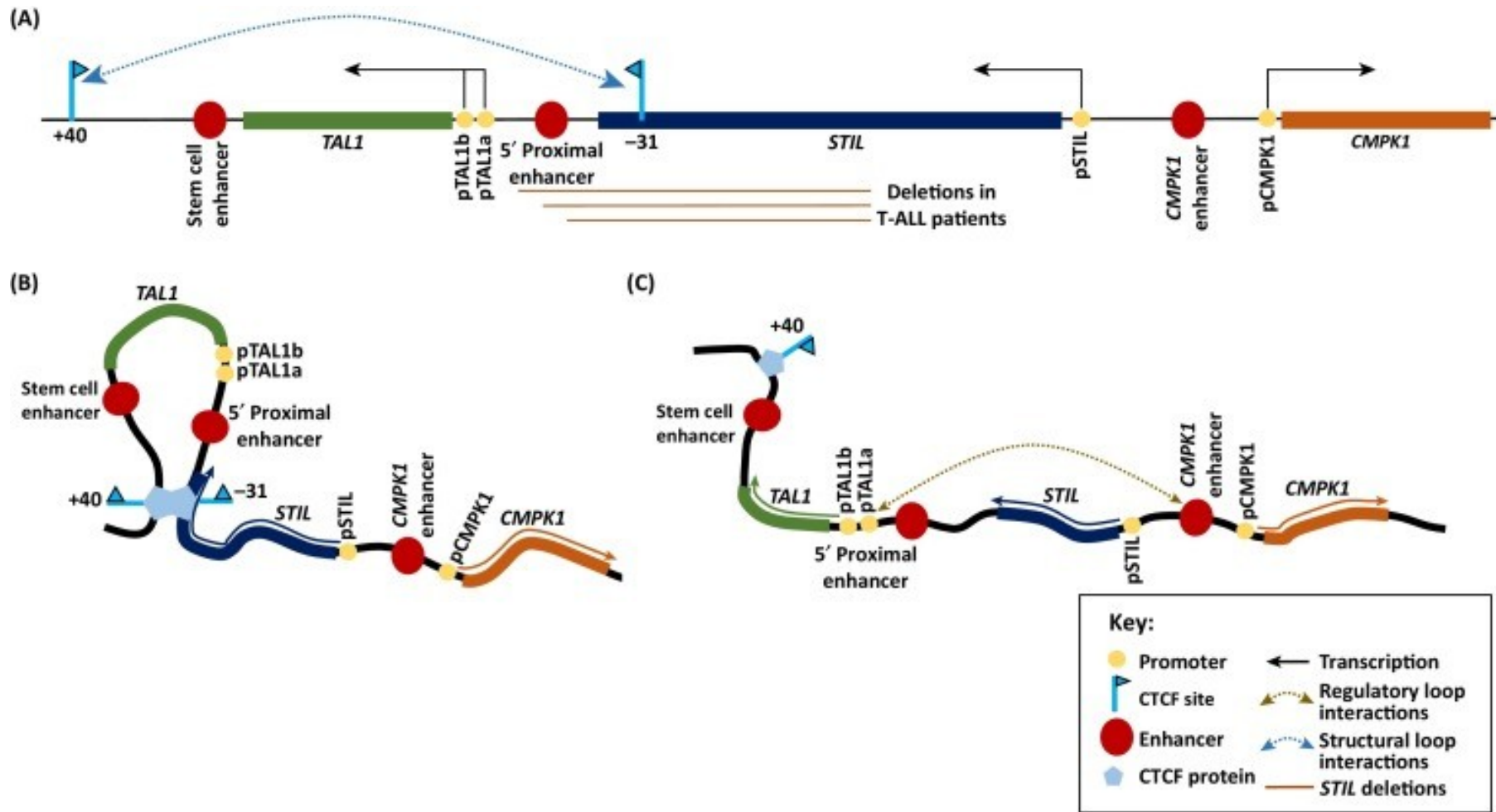
LESSON 5

- **An Acquired Super-Enhancer Activates Monoallelic *TAL1* Transcription in T-ALL (T cell acute lymphoblastic leukemia) Cells**
- **Disruption of the TAL1 Insulated Neighborhood Border Activates TAL1 Transcription in T-ALL Cells.**

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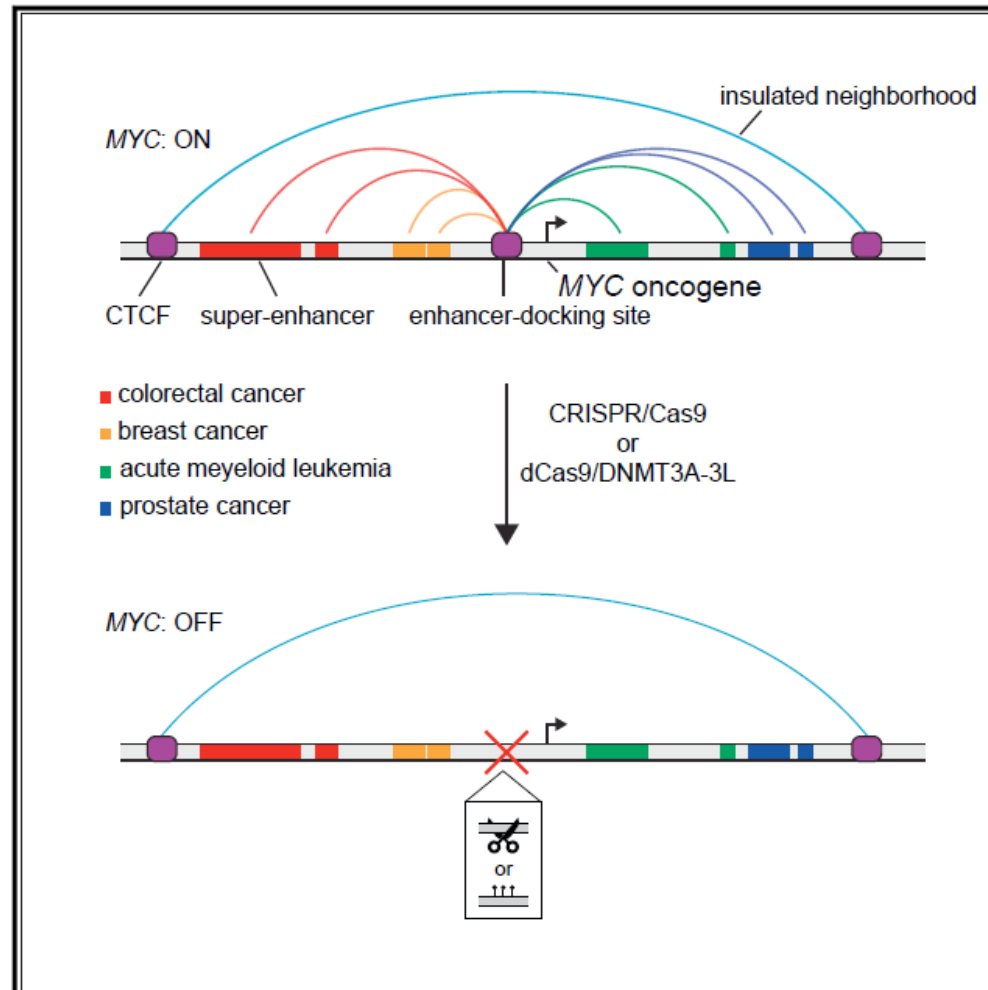


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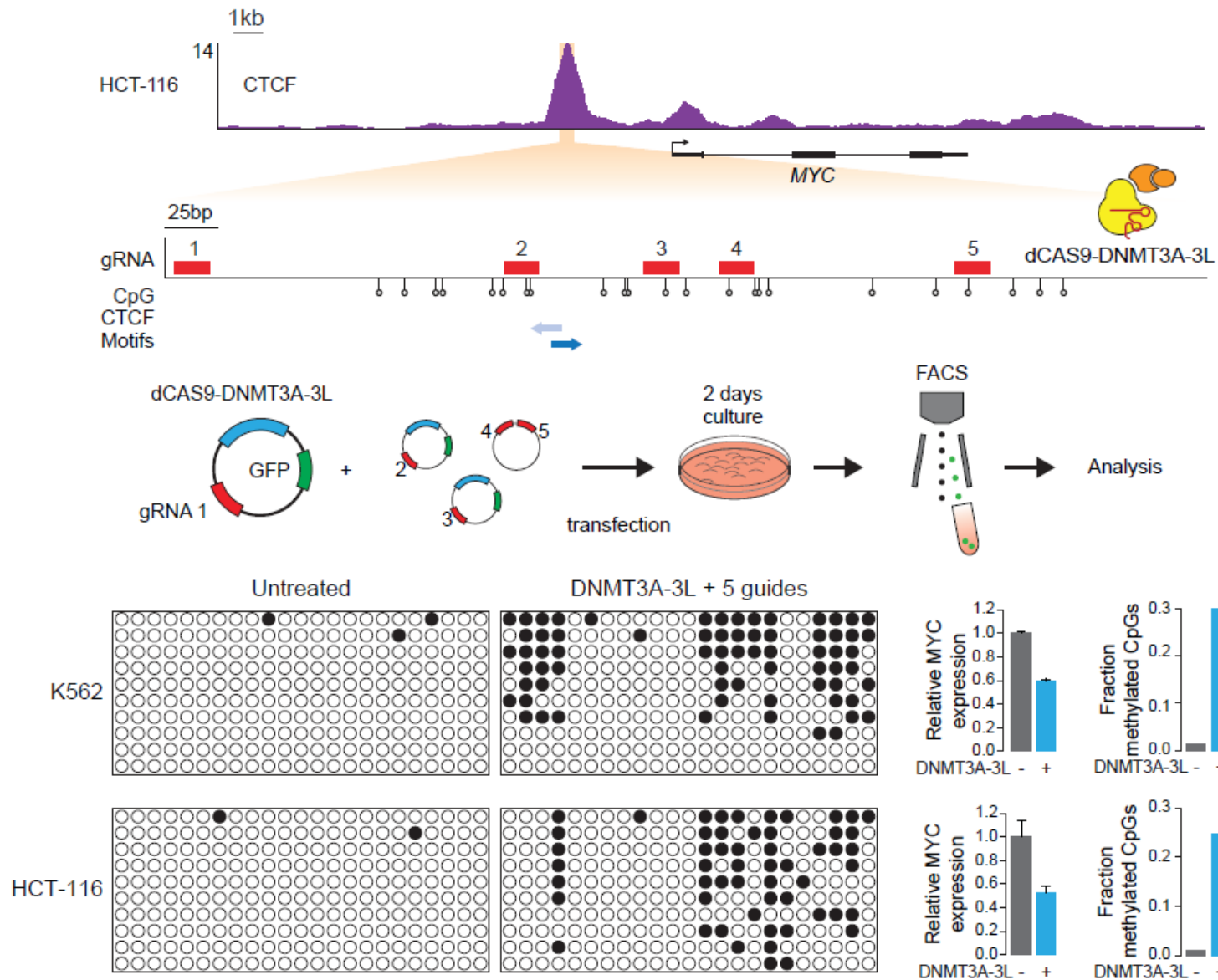


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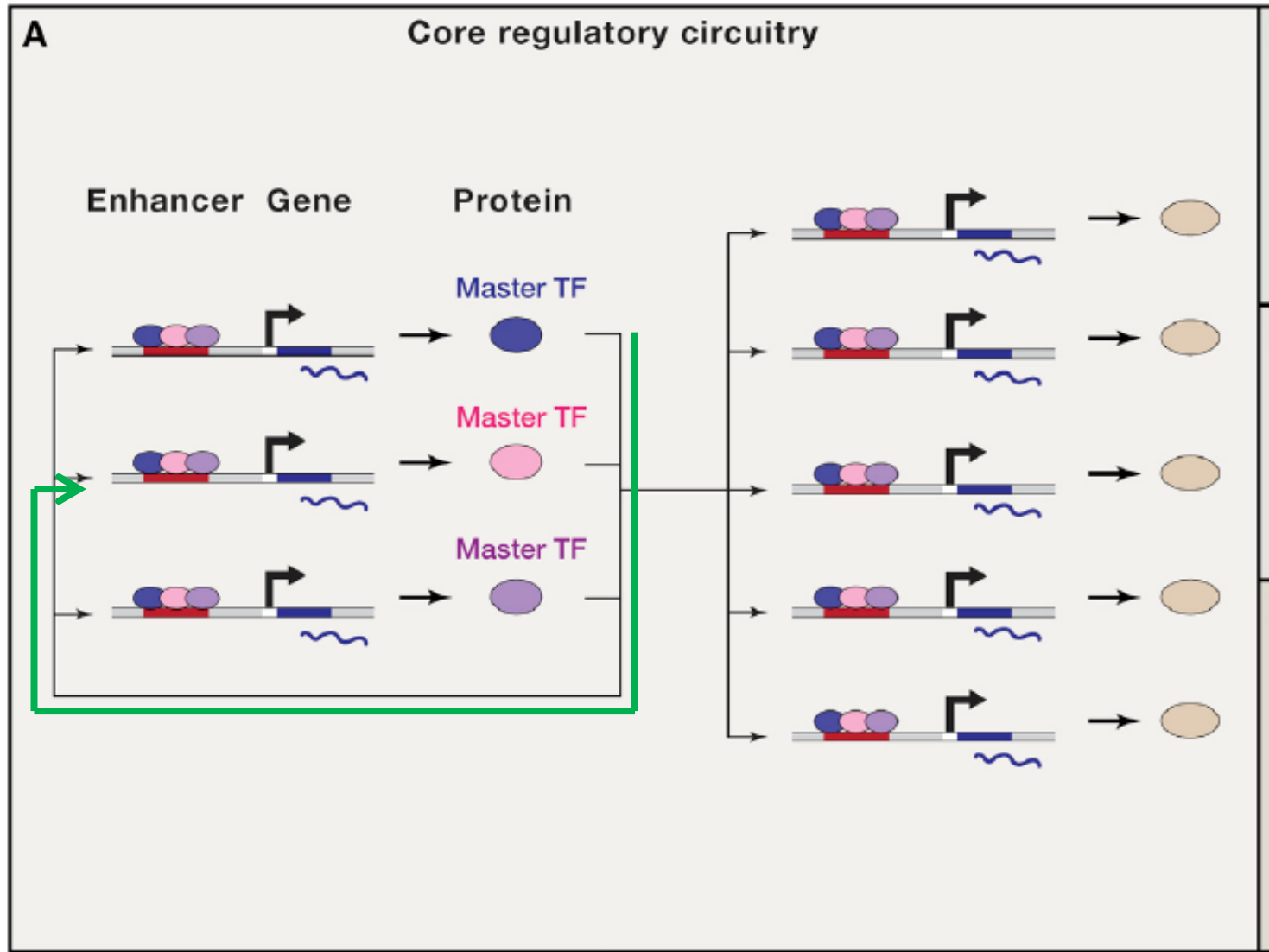
Transcriptional Dysregulation of *MYC* Reveals Common Enhancer-Docking Mechanism



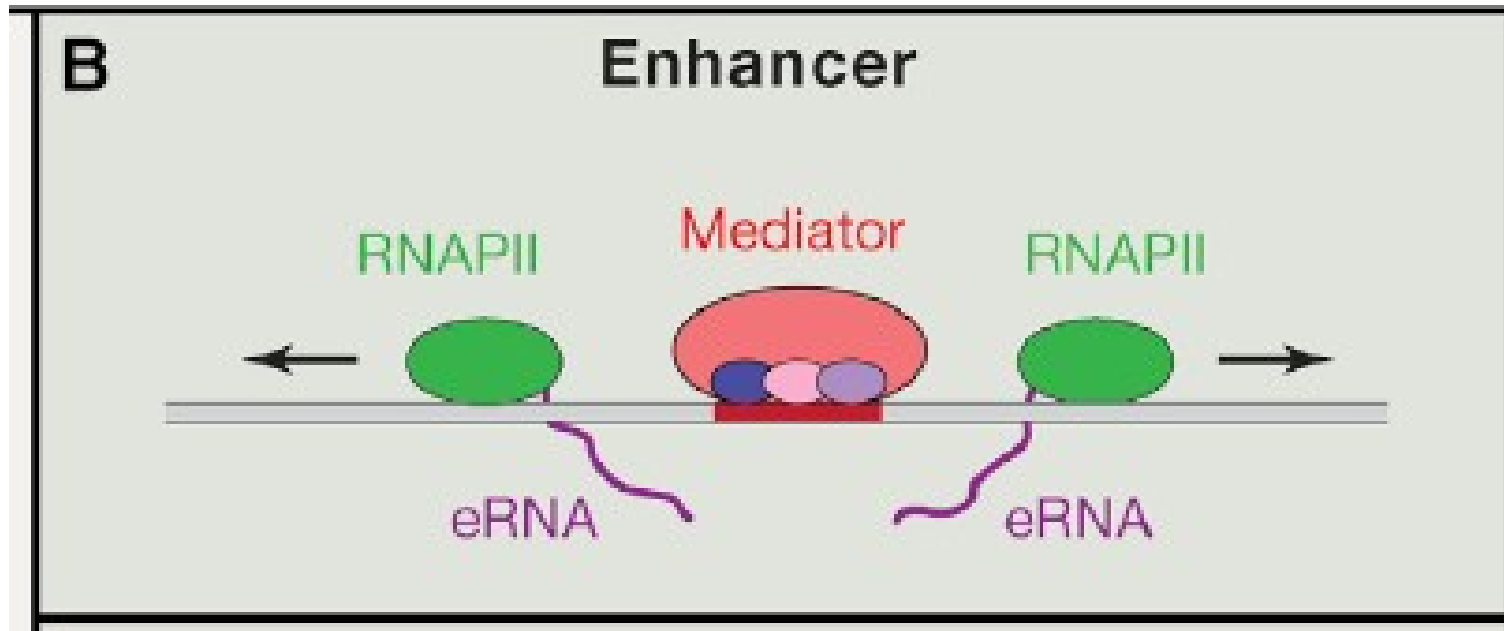
dCas9-Mediated Methylation of the CTCF Loop-Ancor Site Reduces MYC Expression in Tumor Cells



In normal differentiated cells,
lineage determining TFs cooperate to regulate gene expression
and **autoregulate own genes** forming CORE REGULATORY CIRCUITRY

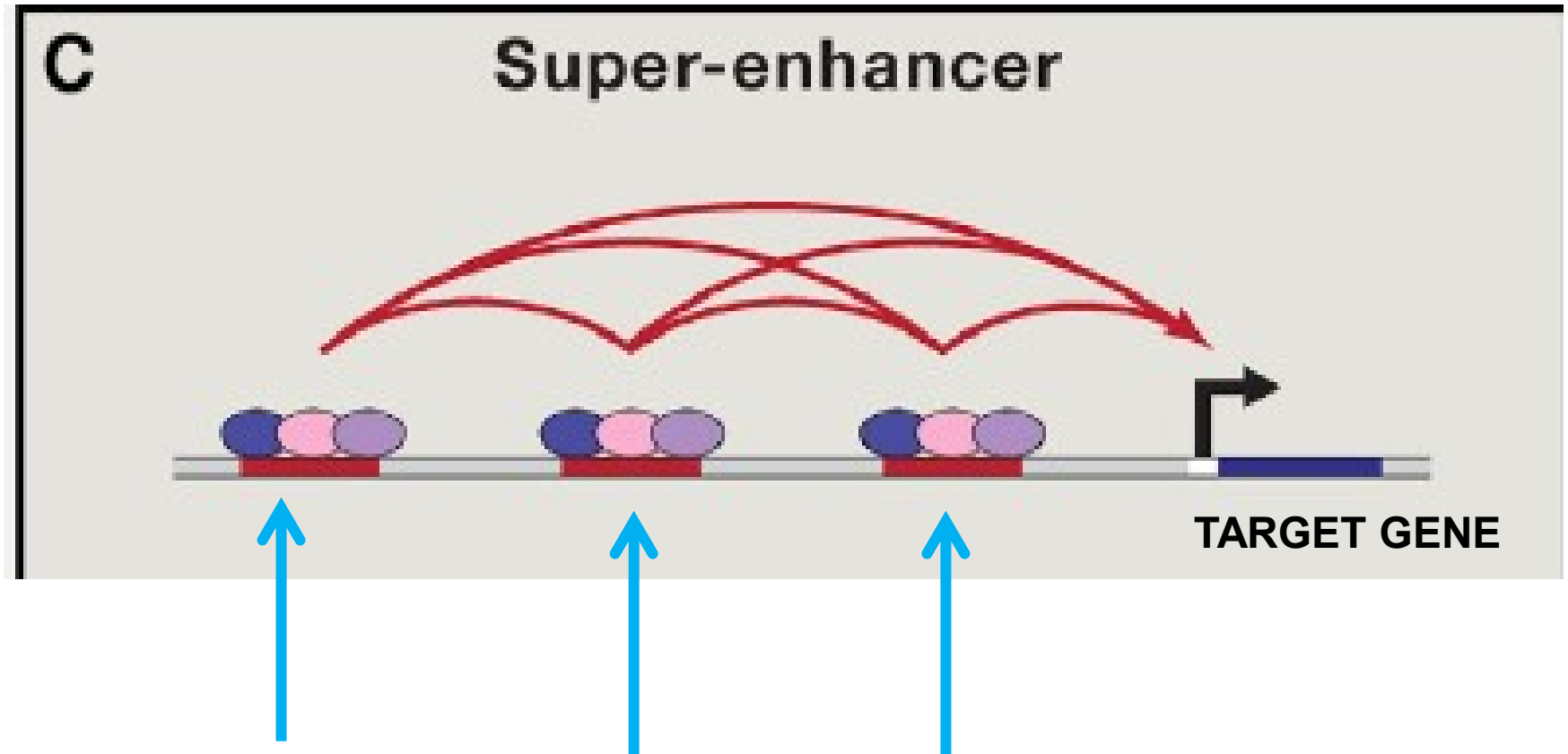


The master TFs bind cooperatively to enhancer DNA elements and **recruit coactivators and the transcription apparatus.**



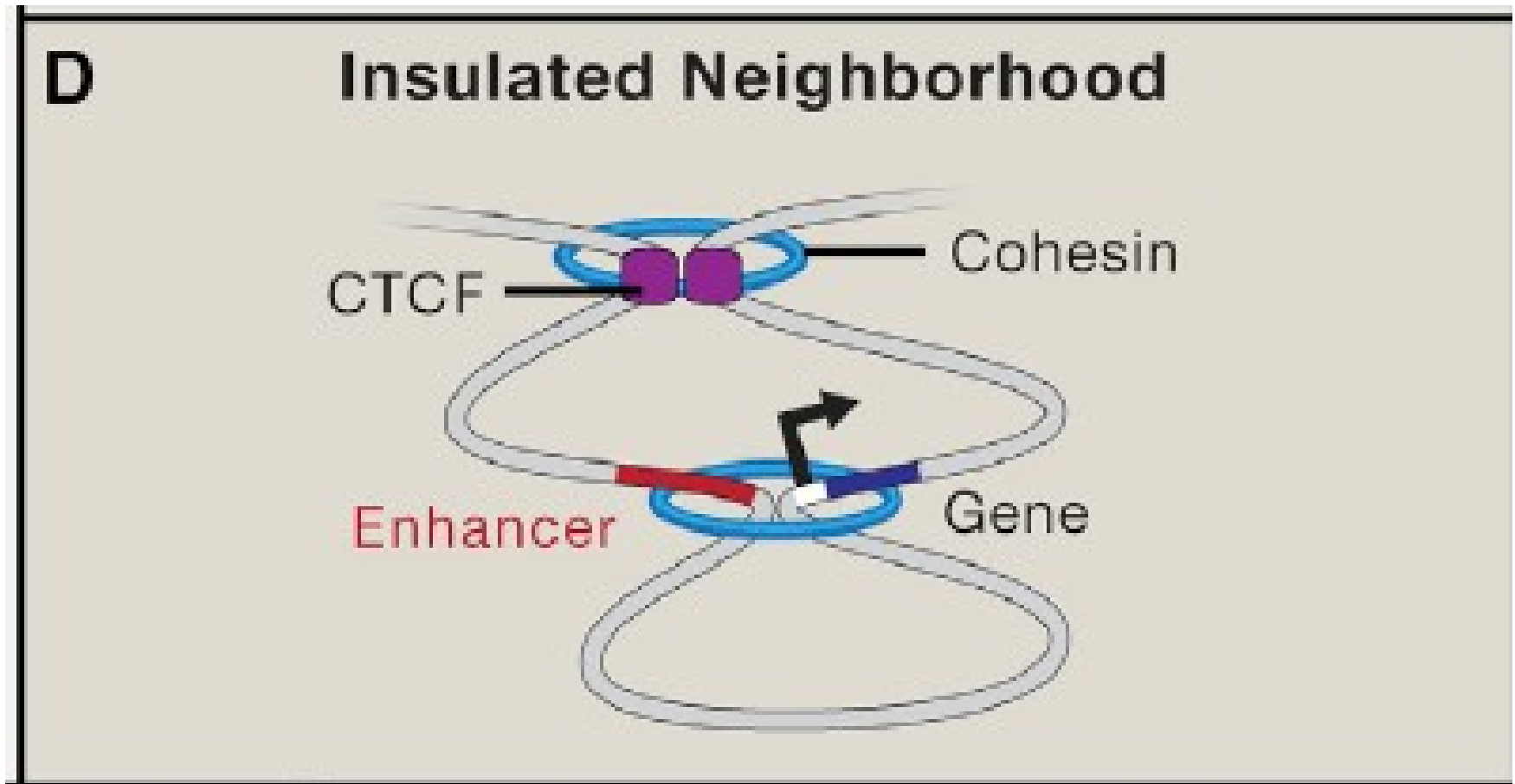
These **TFs can activate transcription from the enhancer elements** themselves, producing **enhancer RNAs (eRNAs)** that bind certain TFs and cofactors and contribute to enhancer maintenance and dynamics

The **constituent enhancers of SEs** physically associate with one another and can function as **independent** or **interdependent components** of these large transcription-regulating complexes to drive high-level expression of their associated genes.



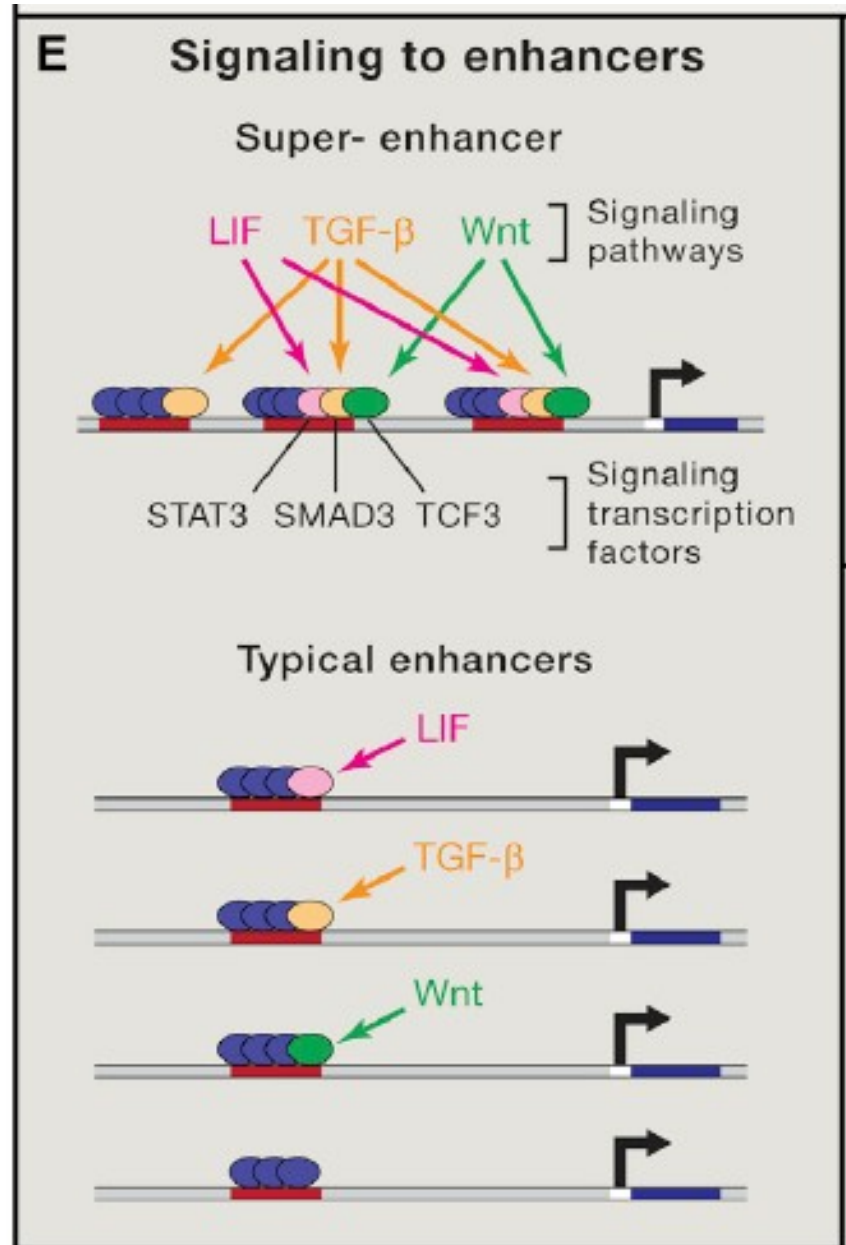
Constituent enhancers of SUPER-ENHANCERS

Insulated neighborhoods are **chromosomal loop structures** formed by the **interaction of two DNA sites bound by the CTCF protein and occupied by the cohesin complex**

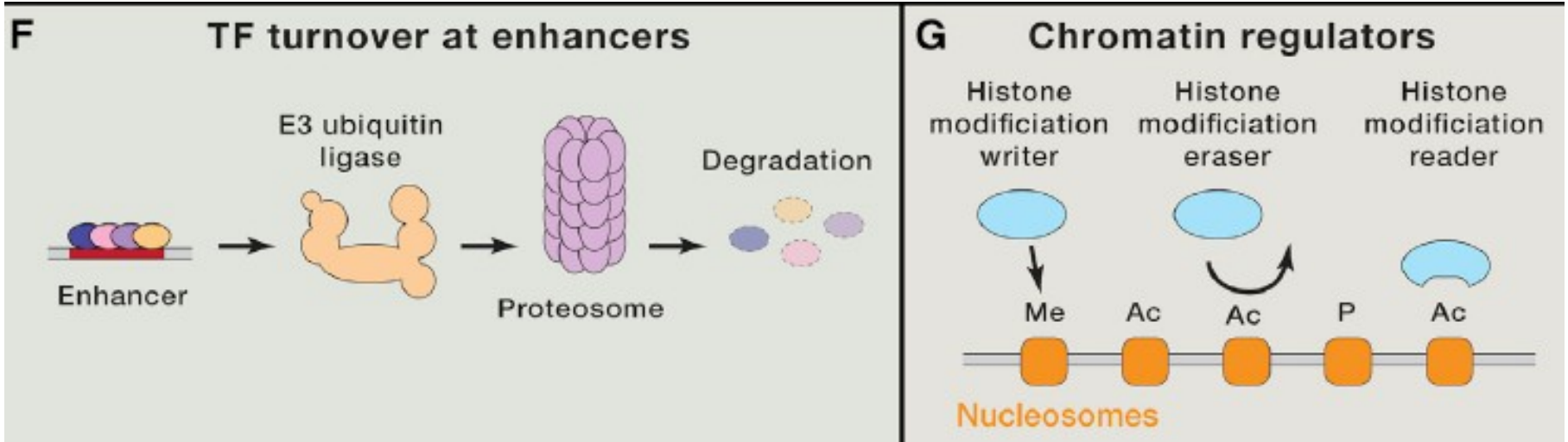


These chromosomal neighborhoods engender specific enhancer-gene interactions and are essential for **normal gene activation and repression**

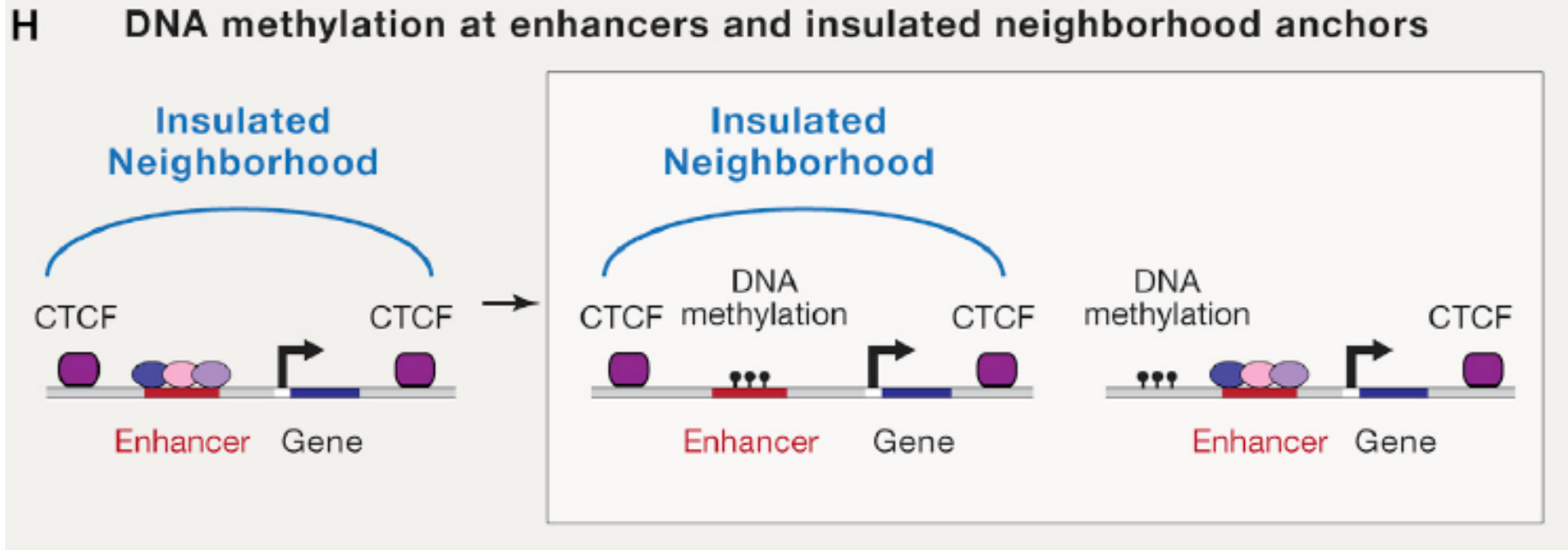
Signals derived from cell environment activate TFs bound at SE for gene expression regulation.



Chromatin dynamics



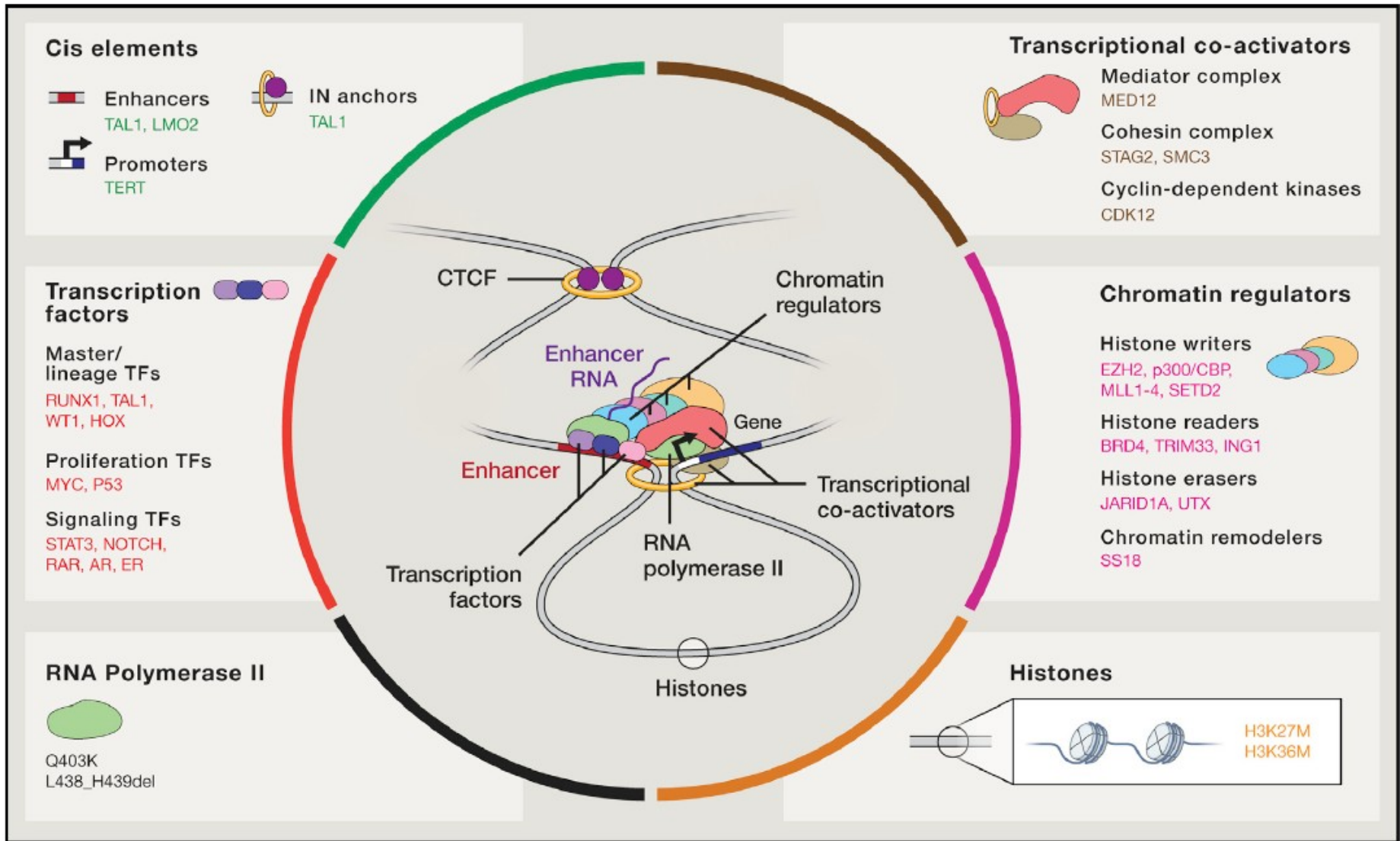
Role of DNA methylation in the gene regulation



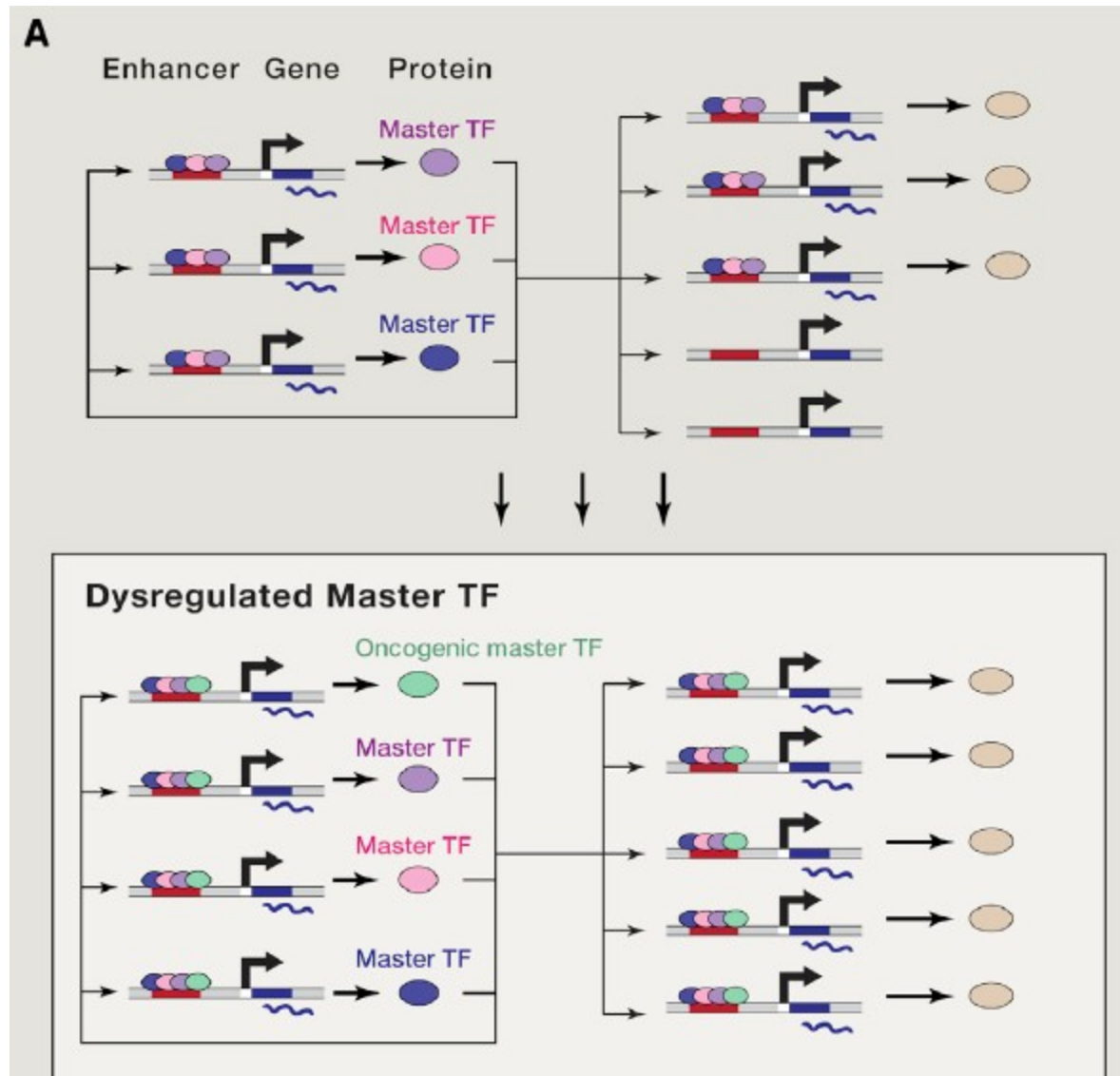
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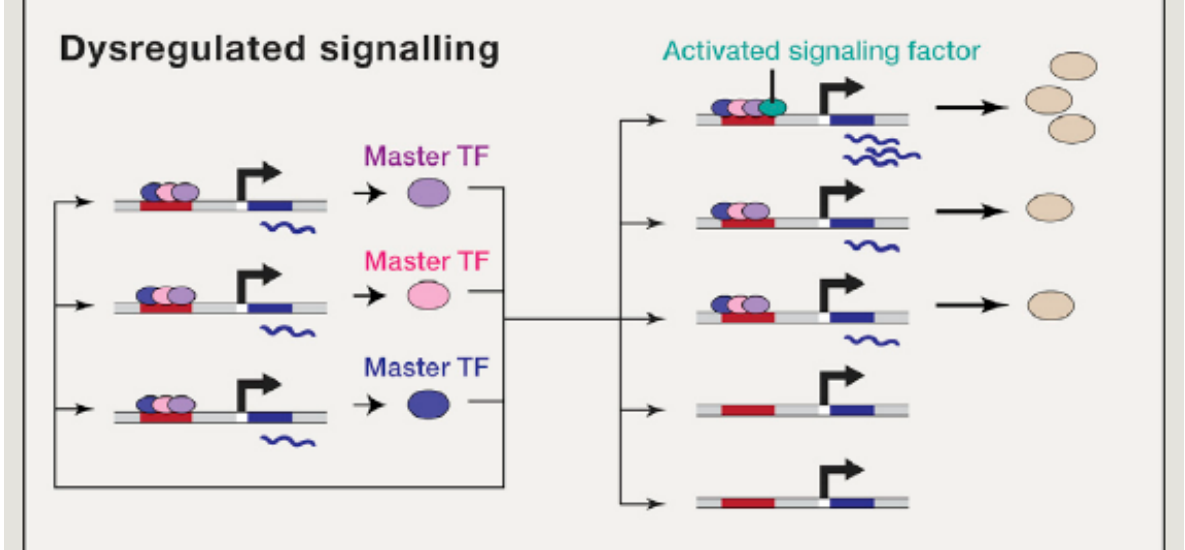
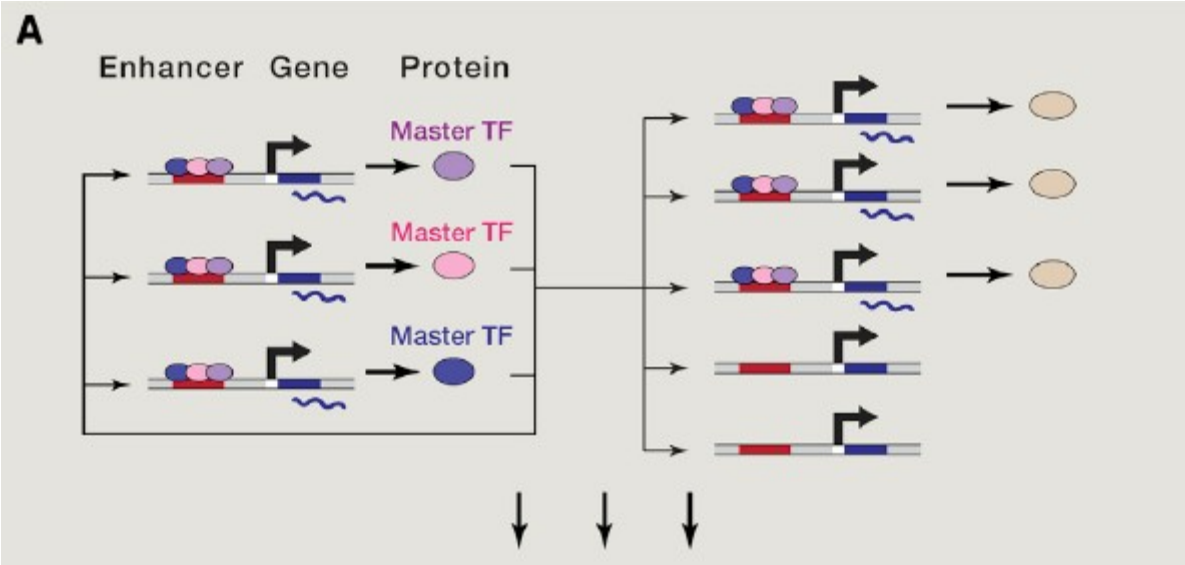
ALTERATIONS OF TRANSCRIPTIONAL REGULATION IN CANCER



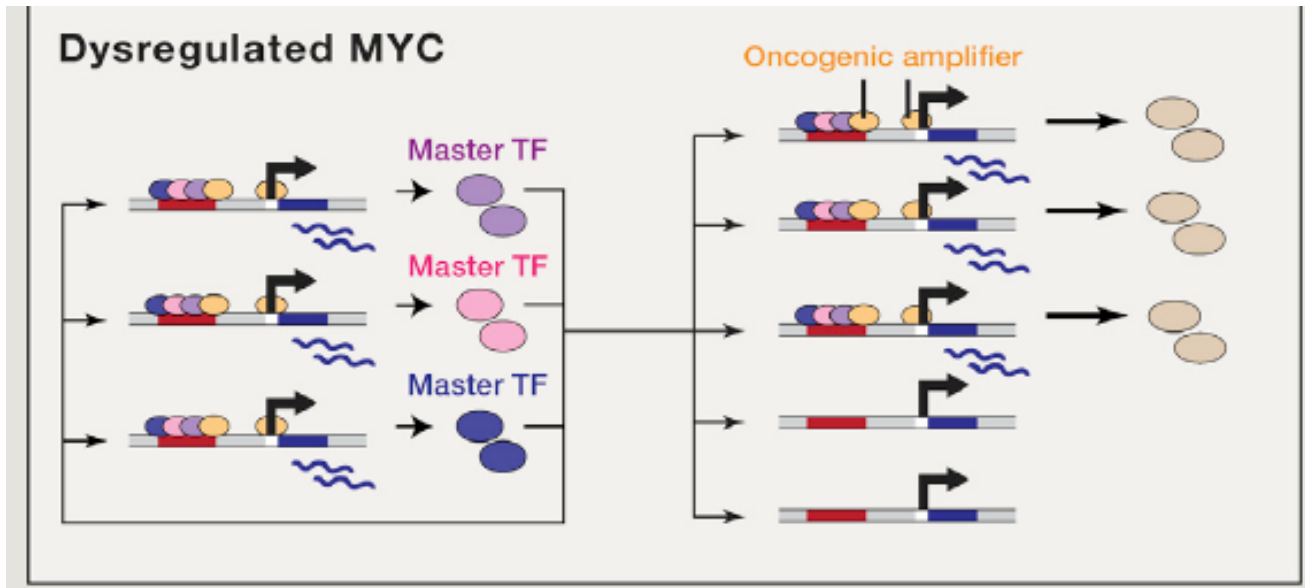
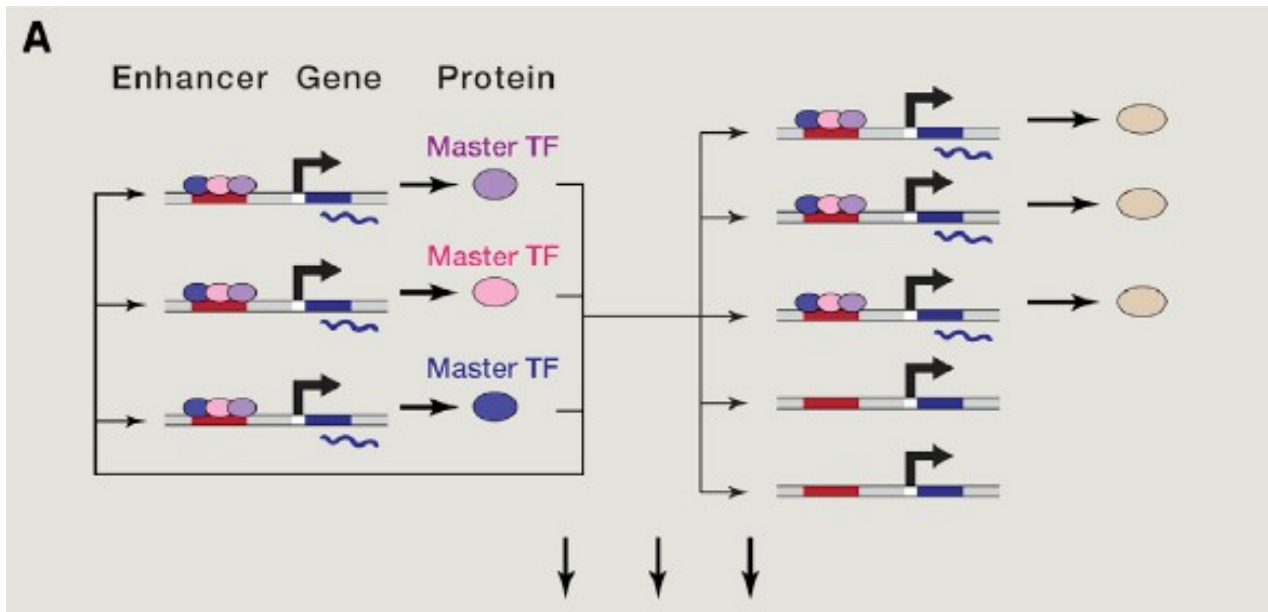
DYSREGULATION OF MASTER TRANSCRIPTION FACTOR



DYSREGULATION OF ACTIVATED SIGNALLING TRANSCRIPTION FACTOR



DYSREGULATION OF ONCOGENIC TRANSCRIPTION FACTOR

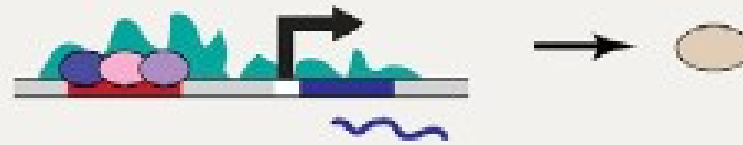


Chromatin remodelling plays a role in disease: transcription activation

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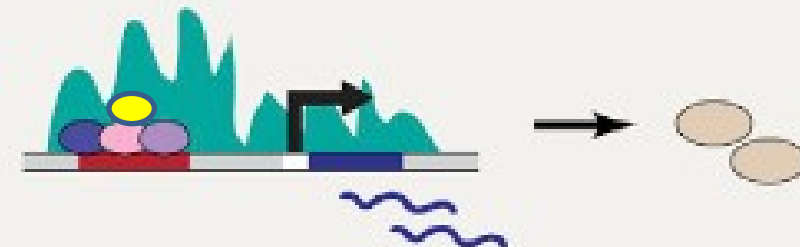
Normal chromatin

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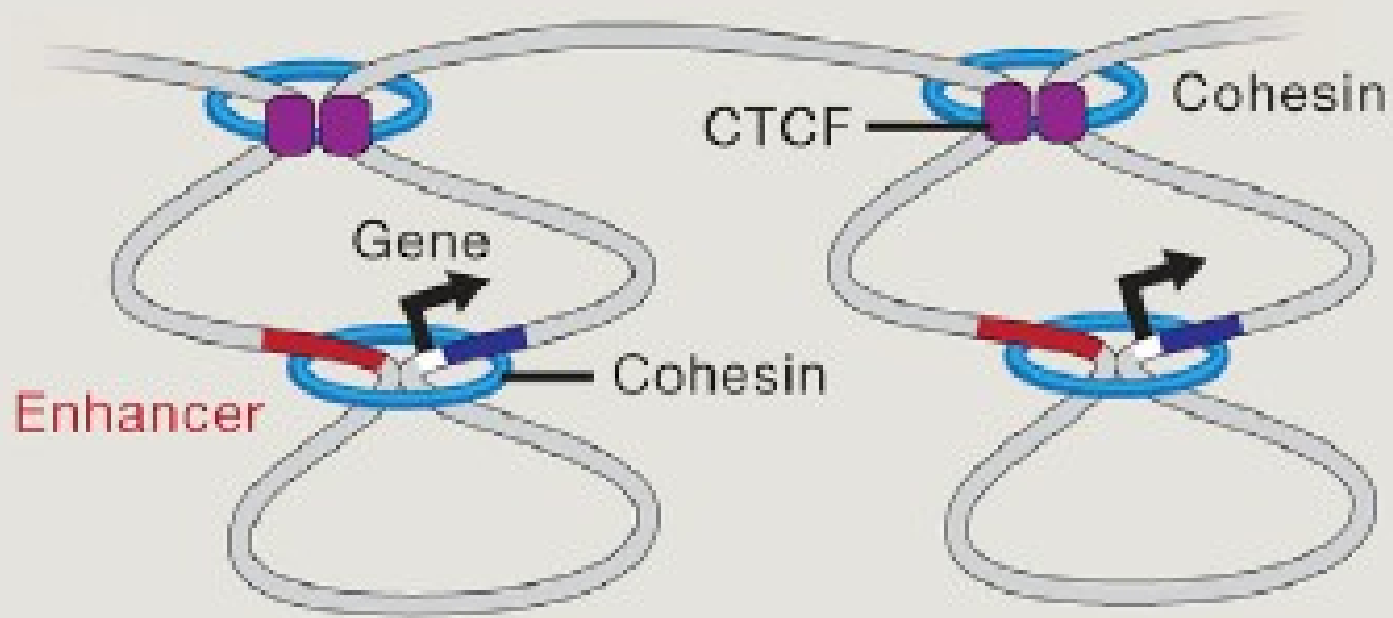
Aberrant chromatin

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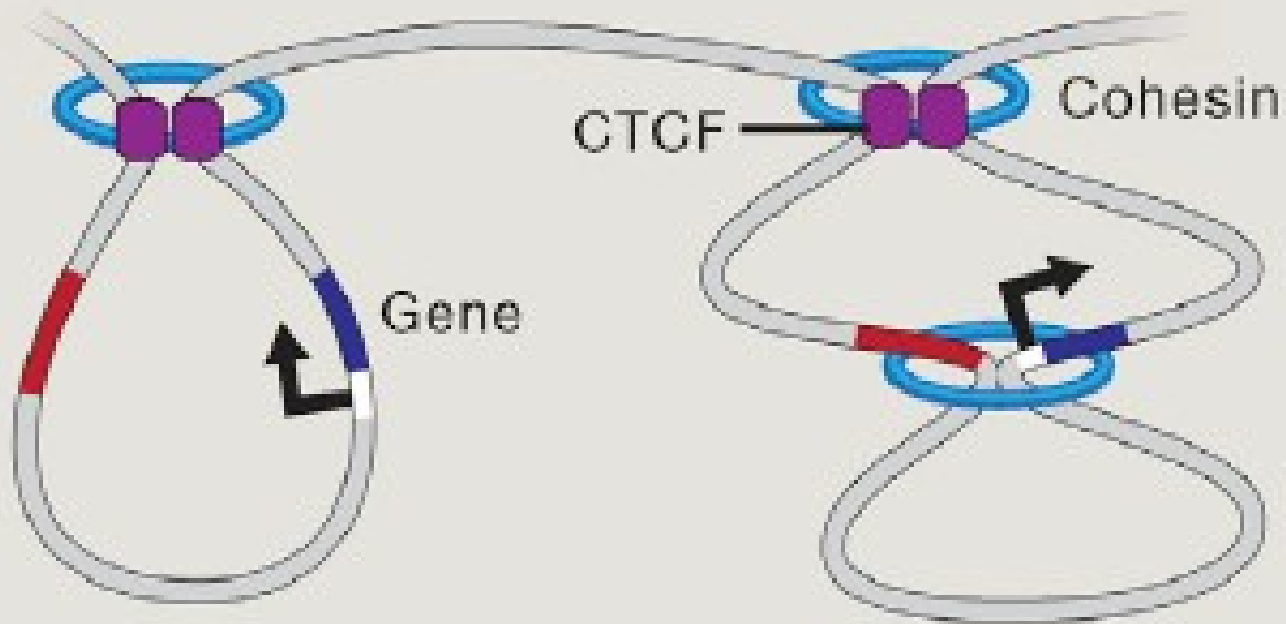
Long range interactions are mediated by CTCF and cohesin and define specific regulatory domain

Insulated neighborhoods



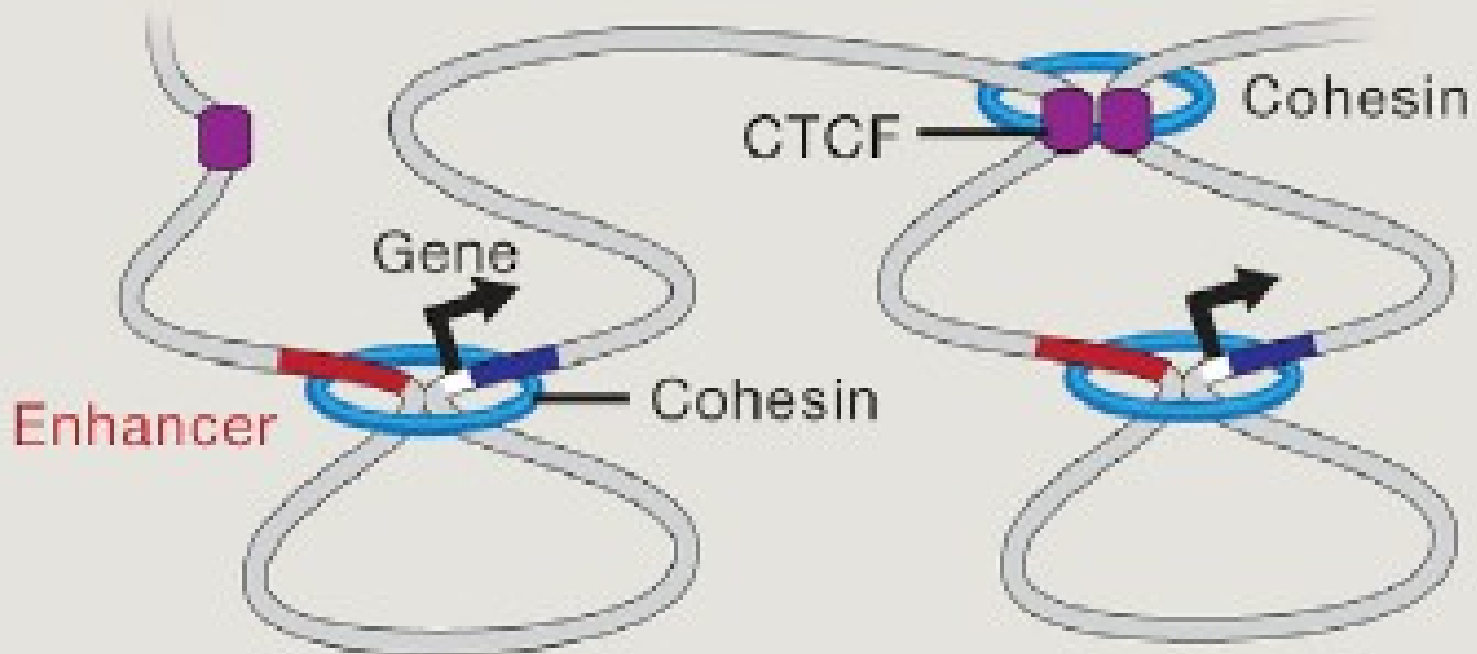
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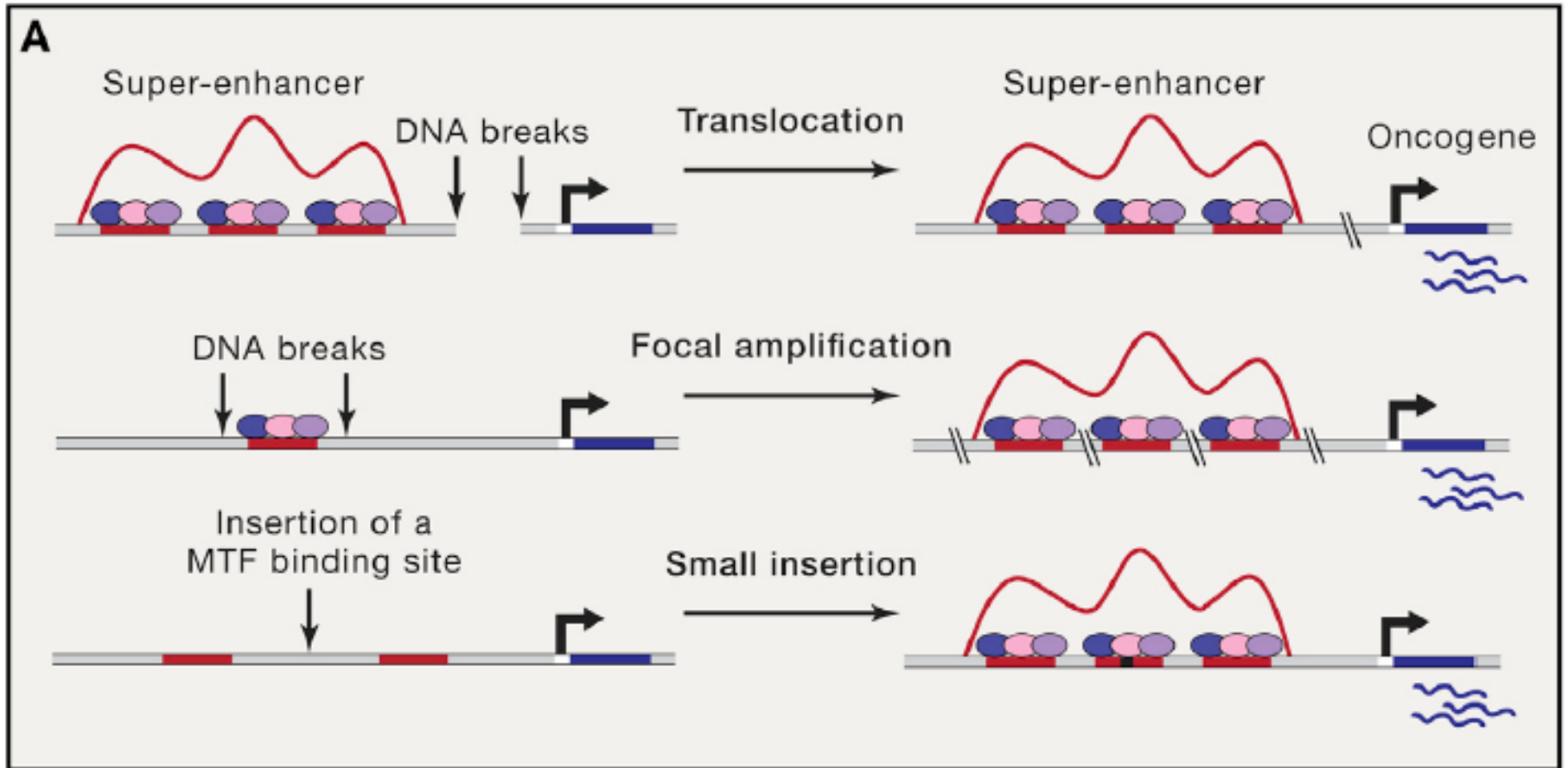


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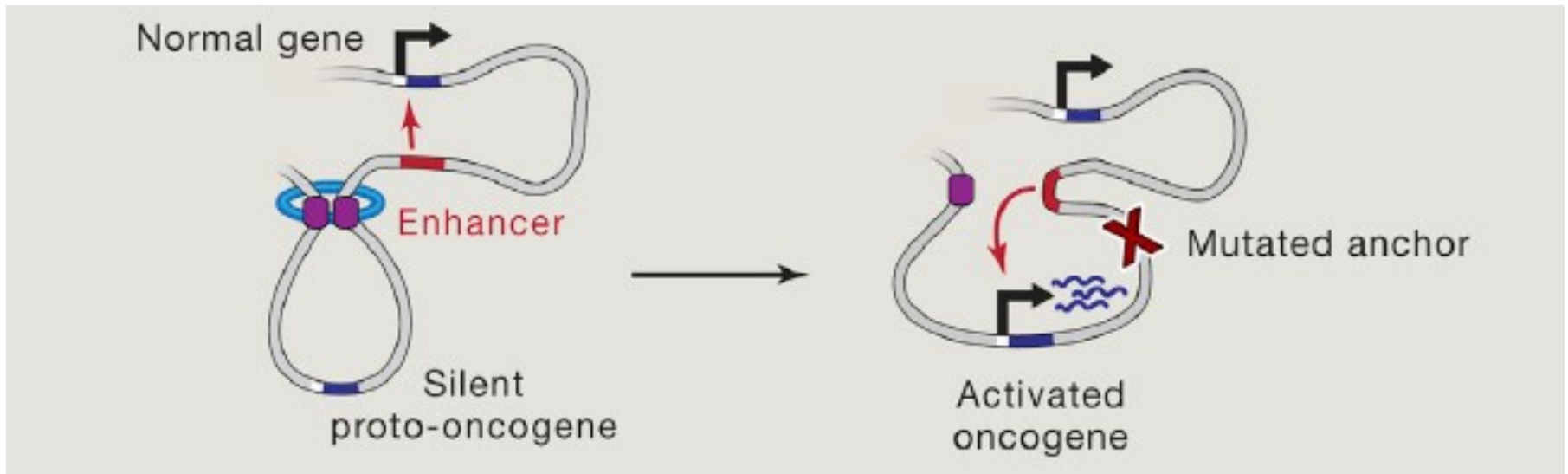
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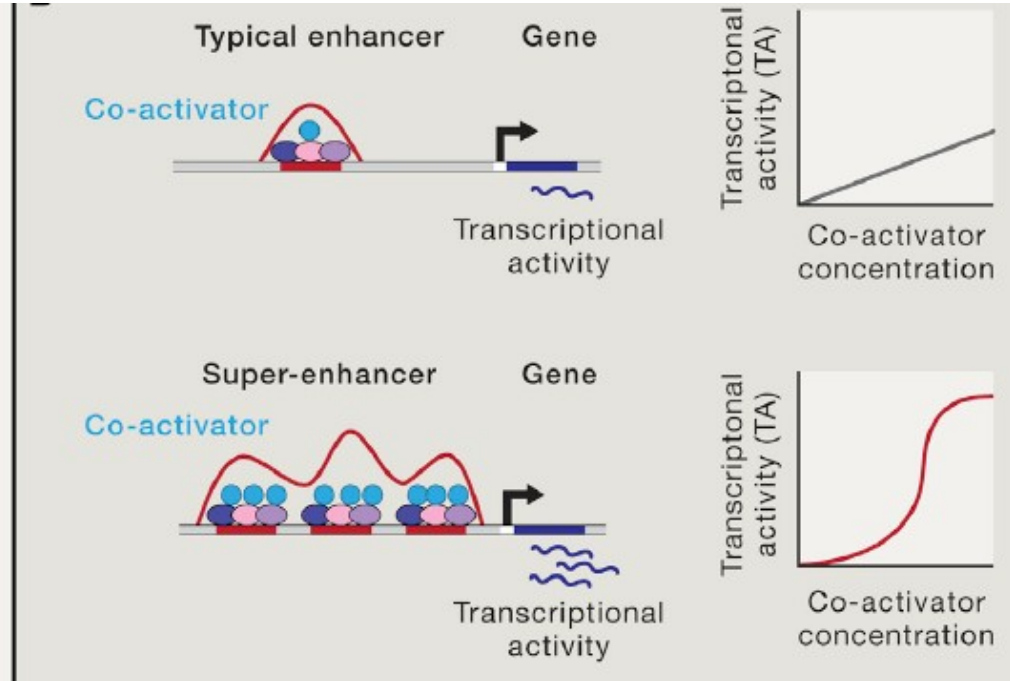
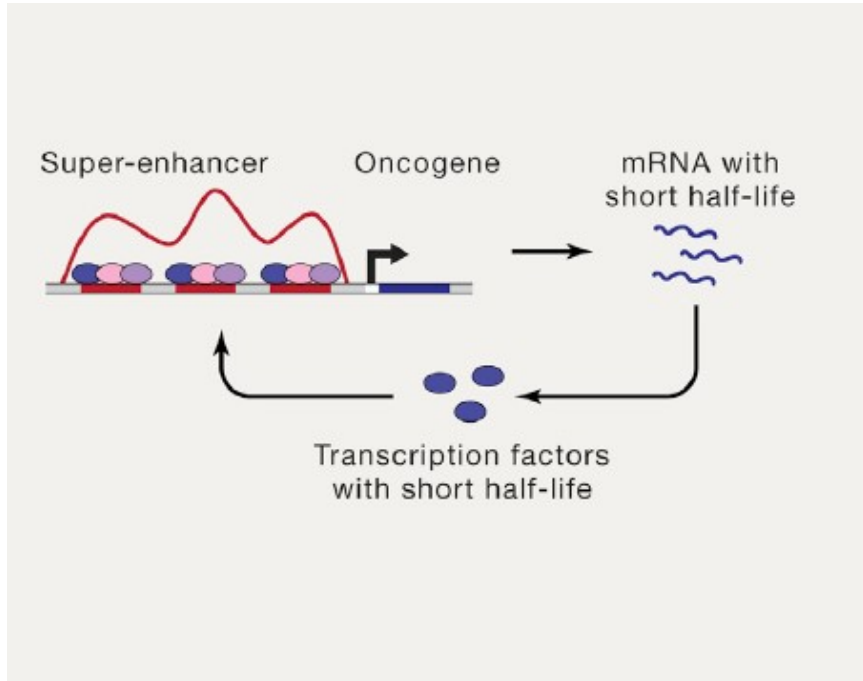
Mechanisms that lead SE formation



Activation of silent proto-oncogenes by somatic mutations that disrupt insulated neighborhood anchor sites



Molecular mechanisms that may be used for drug discovery

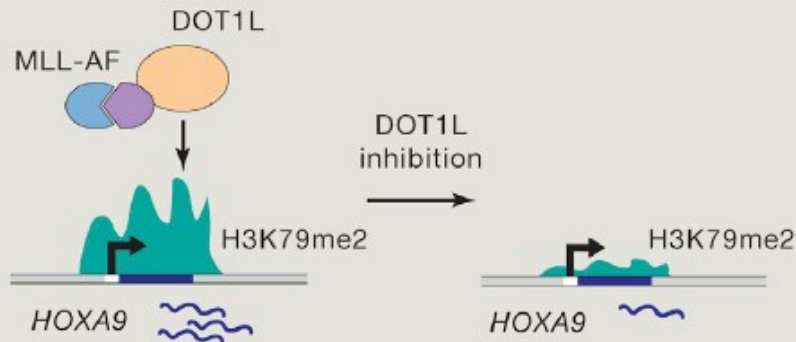


Increased the turnover of TFs

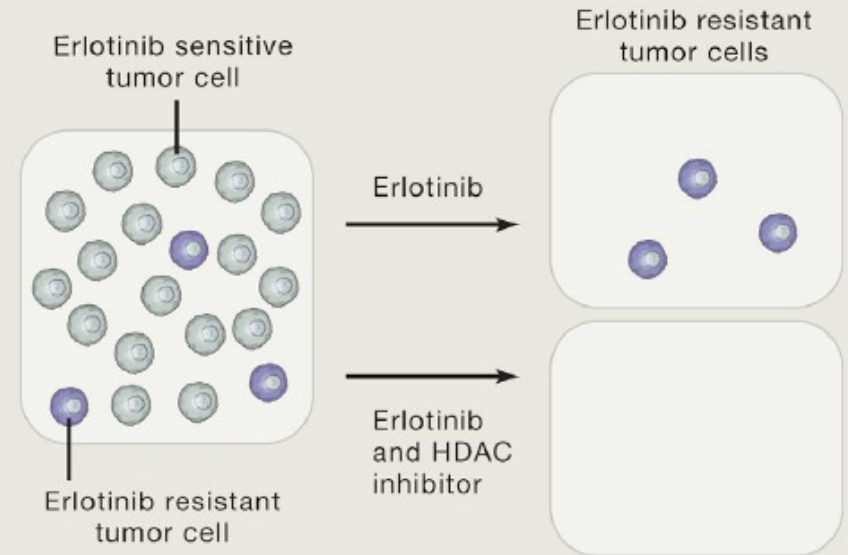
Cooperative Cofactors function about TFs

The drug-tolerant tumor cells can, in turn, be ablated with histone deacetylase inhibitors, establishing a paradigm of **combination therapy** using inhibitors of chromatin regulators against drug resistance

DOT1L histone methyltransferase



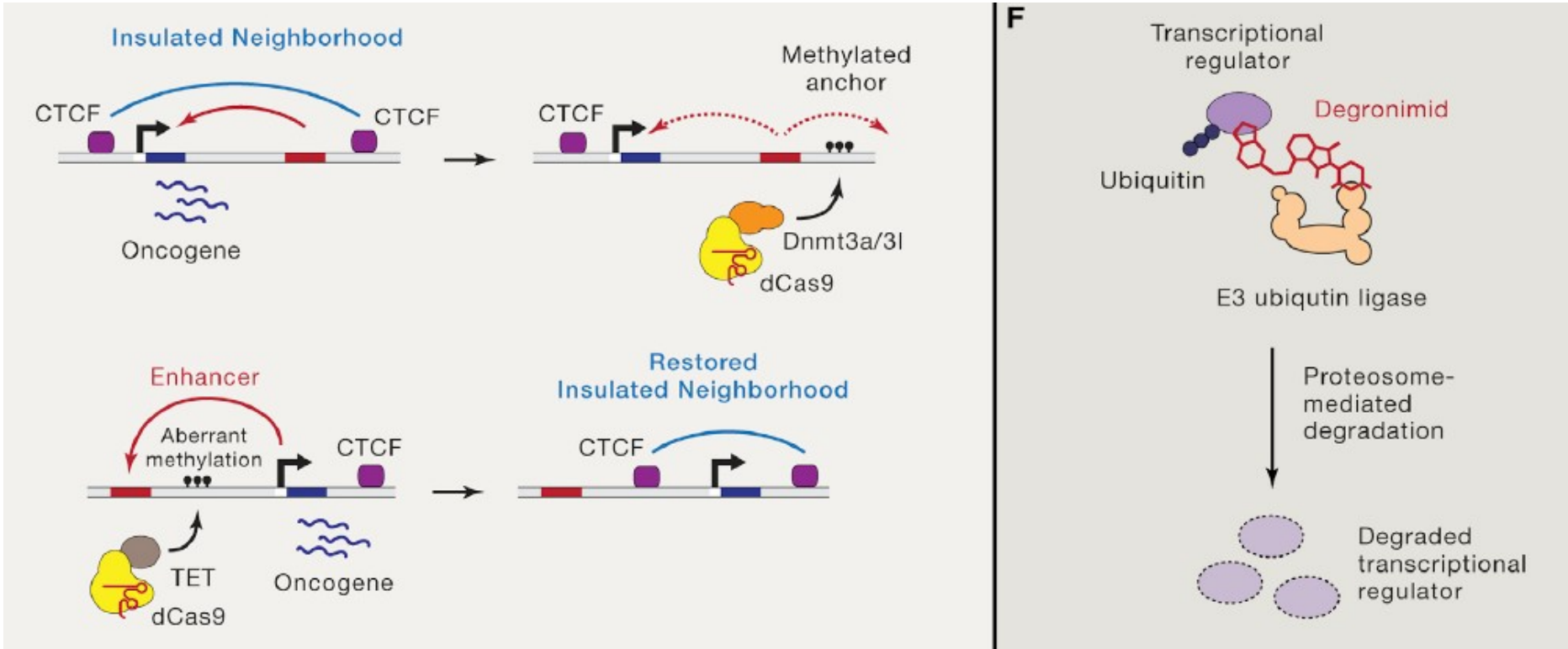
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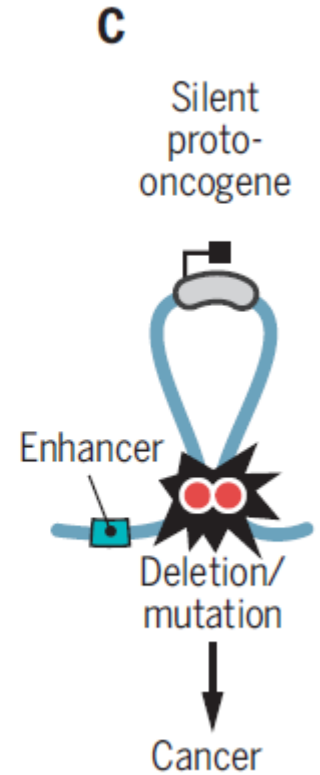
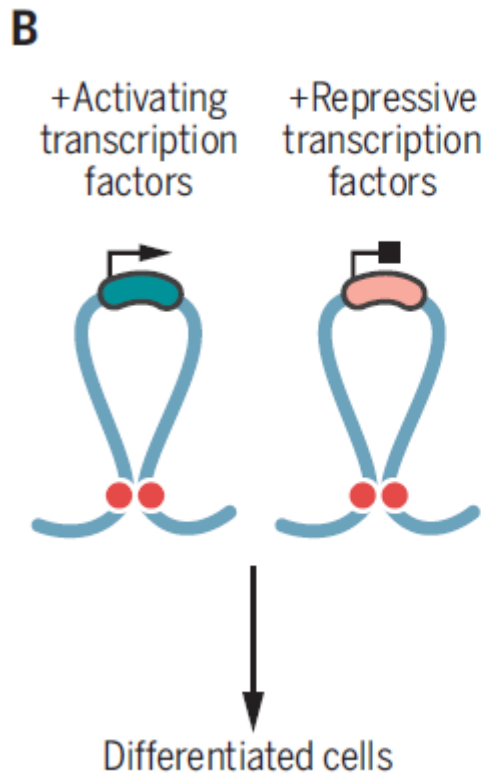
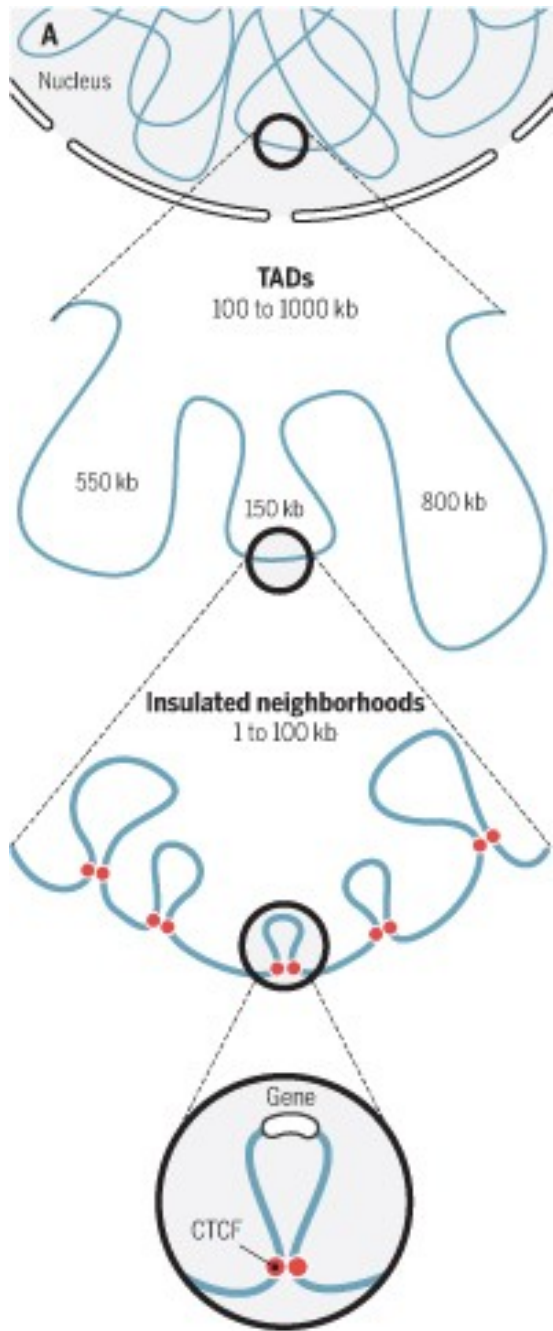


DOT1L histone methyltransferase

Somatic Mutations and aberrant DNA methylation drive oncogenesis

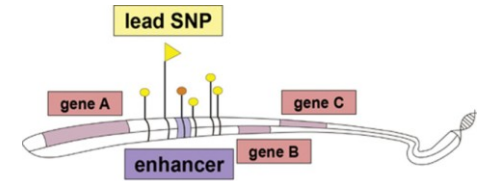
- Genome editing may represent a promise technology to reverse disease mechanisms
 - Activation of degradation pathway of TFs



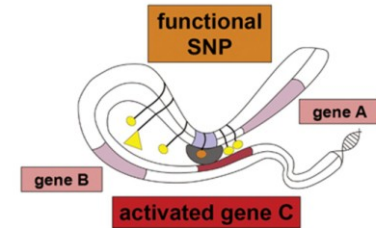


IDENTIFICATION AND CHARACTERIZATION

GENOMIC REGULATORY REGIONS

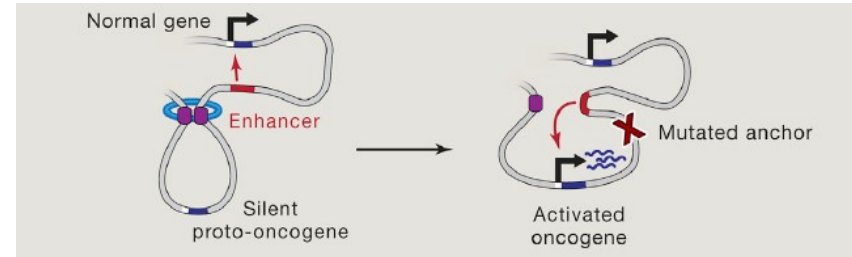


GENE EXPRESSION REGULATION



CELL IDENTITY

BIOLOGICAL FUNCTIONS



TO UNDERSTAND DISEASES

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In summary:

-Oncogenesis is based on growth tumors and one molecular mechanism is the transcription activation

- Aberrant transcription activation depends on:

- super-enhancers formation**
- transcription factors and cofactors**
- Long range interactions dynamic**

In summary II:

Dysregulated transcriptional programs may be target for drug discovery:

- Increased turnover of oncogenes
- Interfering with cooperation between TFs and cofactors
- Targeting chromatin remodeling enzymes
- Genome editing of specific regulatory regions
- Activation of proteasome degradation machinery

