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Software and code

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Data collection

No software was used for data collection.

Data analysis

No custom software or algorithm was used in this study. All software used in this study for data analysis are either commercially available or open source.

- Microsoft Excel (professional Plus2013) for basic statistical analysis
- Proteome Discoverer 2.3 for AP-MS analysis (https://www.thermofisher.com/hk/en/home/industrial/mass-spectrometry/liquid-chromatography-mass-spectrometry-lc-ms/ap-ms-software/multi-omics-data-analysis/proteome-discoverer-software.html)
- Image J (v.1.8.0) for quantification of western blot images. https://image.jxsoftonic.com/
- ZEN 2.1(ZEN Imaging Software for microscope. https://www.leica.com/macroscope/products/microscope-software/zen.html#impagetabs-5)
- prism8 for graphs (https://www.graphpad.com/scientific-software/prism/
- SRA toolkit [v.2.9.2](https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/sra/docs/toolkitsoft/)
- Fastqc [v.0.11.9](http://www.bioinformatics.babraham.ac.uk/projects/fastqc/)
- Trim Galore [v.2.11](https://github.com/FelixKrueger/TrimGalore)
- Bowtie2 [v.2.1.0](https://www.ueo.no/english/services-it/research/hpc/abel/help/software/bowtie2.html)
- Samtools [v.1.11](https://github.com/samtools/samtools)
- R [v.3.1.0](https://www.r-project.org/)
- EdgeR [v.3.24](https://bioconductor.org/packages/release/bioc/html/edgeR.html)
- MACS2 [v.2.1.1](https://github.com/macs3-project/MACS)
- deepTools2 [v.2.0](https://deepTools.readthedocs.io/en/develop/content/installation.html)
- IGV software [v.2.0](http://software.broadinstitute.org/software/igv/download)

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Data

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- Accession codes, unique identifiers, or web links for publicly available datasets
- A description of any restrictions on data availability
- For clinical datasets or third party data, please ensure that the statement adheres to our policy

All data supporting the findings of this study are included in the manuscript and its supplementary files are available. The RNA-seq data for WT and Jhd2-S321A, S340A generated in this study have been deposited in the GEO database under accession number GSE175870 [https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/query/acc.cgi?acc=GSE175870]. The ChIP-seq data for Jhd2, H3K4me3 and Rpd3 generated in this study have been deposited in the GEO database under accession number GSE175868 [https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/query/acc.cgi?acc=GSE175868]. The RNA-seq data for rpd3 delta, jhd2 delta, and tpk2 delta are available in the GEO database under accession number GSE67149 [https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/query/acc.cgi?acc=GSE67149], GSE73407 [https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/query/acc.cgi?acc=GSE73407], and GSE28213 [https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/query/acc.cgi?acc=GSE28213], respectively. The mass spectrometry proteomics data have been deposited to the ProteomeXchange Consortium via the PRIDE partner repository with the dataset identifier PXD030815 [http://proteomecentral.proteomexchange.org/cgi/GetDatasetID?ID=PX030815]. The protein structure data for molecular docking used in this study is available on PDB database with identifier 13tp [https://www.rcsb.org/structure/1A1P]. The data that support the findings of this study are available from the corresponding authors upon reasonable request. Source data are provided with this paper.

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Life sciences study design

All studies must disclose on these points even when the disclosure is negative.

Sample size
Sample sizes were determined based on previous experience or similar published studies. To determine whether the outcome is statistically significant, at least three biological independent replicates were performed for each experiment. For other experiments, to determine the outcome is reproducible, at least 2-3 biological replicates were performed for each experiment. Related reference: Molecular Cell, 2015, 60:408-421; Nature Communications, 2021, 12: S94.

Data exclusions
No data were excluded from this study.

Replication
We confirmed that all attempts to replicate experiments were successful. All experiments were performed for at least 2-3 biological replicates, which were specified in the figure legends. To determine statistical significance, at least three biological replicates were used.

Randomization
Samples were allocated into groups by random.

Blinding
The investigators were blinded in design experiments and data analysis.

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Materials & experimental systems

n/a
- Involved in the study
- Antibodies
- Eukaryotic cell lines
- Palaeontology and archaeology
- Animals and other organisms
- Human research participants
- Clinical data
- Dual use research of concern

Methods

n/a
- Involved in the study
- ChIP-seq
- Flow cytometry
- MRI-based neuroimaging
## Antibodies

| Antibodies used | Description |
|----------------|-------------|
| Anti-H3 (9715S; Cell Signaling Technology) |  |
| Anti-H3 (1: 5000; ab1791; Abcam) |  |
| Anti-H4 (ab10158; Abcam) |  |
| Anti-H3K14ac (ab52946; Abcam) |  |
| Anti-H3K4me3 (A2357; Abclonal) |  |
| Anti-H3K4me2 (A2356; Abclonal) |  |
| Anti-H3K4me1 (A2355; Abclonal) |  |
| Anti-H3K36me3 (A2366; Abclonal) |  |
| Anti-H3K79me3 (A2369; Abclonal) |  |
| Alexa Fluor 488-conjugated Goat Anti-Mouse IgG (H+L) (A5037; Abclonal) |  |
| Alexa Fluor 594-conjugated Goat Anti-Rabbit IgG (H+L) (A5039; Abclonal) |  |
| Anti-Rps3 (sc-314160; Santa Cruz Biotechnology) |  |
| Anti-Set1 (sc-101858; Santa Cruz Biotechnology) |  |
| Anti-GAPDH (10494-1-AP; proteintech) |  |
| Anti-GFP (66002-1-ig; proteintech) |  |
| Anti-Myc (60003-2-ig; proteintech) |  |
| goat polyclonal anti-mouse IgG (SA00001-1; proteintech) |  |
| goat polyclonal anti-rabbit IgG (SA00001-2; proteintech) |  |
| Anti-H3K9ac (9645S; Cell Signaling Technology) |  |
| Anti-H2B (12364S; Cell Signaling Technology) |  |
| Anti-H2Bub (5346S; Cell Signaling Technology) |  |
| Anti-phospho-PKA substrate (RRXS*/T*) (10067E; Cell Signaling Technology) |  |
| Anti-FLAG M2 (F1804-1MG; Sigma-Aldrich) |  |
| Anti-FK2 (S1200; Sigma-Aldrich) |  |
| Anti-CBP (Abs130593; Absin Bioscienc Inc) |  |
| Anti-Jhd2 (1:500); Jhd2 S321p (1:500) and Jhd2 S340p (1:500) were custom-made in Abclonal |  |
| Anti-Sam1 was custom-made in Covance. |  |

### Validation

All antibodies have been validated for the application and species.

- Anti-Histone H3 (9715S; Cell Signaling Technology) has been validated for Western blots and ChIP in yeast (PMID: 35880182).
- Anti-H3 (1: 5000; ab1791; Abcam) has been validated for Western blots and ChIP in yeast (PMID: 33472063).
- Anti-Histone H4 (ab10158; Abcam) has been validated for Western blots and ChIP in yeast (PMID: 27151365).
- Anti-H3K14ac (ab52946; Abcam) has been validated for Western blots (PMID: 3229790).
- Anti-H3K4me3 (A2357; Abclonal) has been validated for Western blots and ChIP in yeast (PMID: 31485071).
- Anti-H3K4me2 (A2356; Abclonal) has been validated for Western blots (PMID: 31830251).
- Anti-H3K4me1 (A2355; Abclonal) has been validated for Western blots (PMID: 31485071).
- Anti-H3K36me3 (2366; Abclonal) has been validated for Western blots and ChIP in yeast (PMID: 32619236).
- Anti-H3K79me3 (A2359; Abclonal) has been validated for Western blots (PMID: 34824542).
- Anti-Rps3 (sc-314160; Santa Cruz Biotechnology) has been validated for Western blots (PMID: 326653628).
- Anti-Set1 (sc-101858; Santa Cruz Biotechnology) has been validated for Western blots in yeast (PMID: 32358498).
- Anti-GAPDH (10494-1-AP; proteintech) has been validated for Western blots (PMID: 30759223).
- Anti-GFP (66002-1-ig; proteintech) has been validated for Western blots of recombinant protein and GFP-tagged proteins (PMID: 30699354).
- Anti-Myc (60003-2-ig; proteintech) has been validated for Western blots of recombinant protein and myc-tagged proteins (PMID: 30869196).
- goat polyclonal anti-mouse IgG (SA00001-1; proteintech) has been validated for Western blots (PMID: 29801402).
- goat polyclonal anti-rabbit IgG (SA00001-2; proteintech) has been validated for Western blots (PMID: 30483785).
- Anti-H3K9ac (9645S; Cell Signaling Technology) has been validated for Western blots in yeast (PMID: 33154378).
- Anti-H2B (12364S; Cell Signaling Technology) has been validated for Western blots (PMID: 33257658).
- Anti-H2Bub (5346S; Cell Signaling Technology) has been validated for Western blots (PMID: 34473698).
- Anti-phospho-PKA substrate (RRXS*/T*) (10067E; Cell Signaling Technology) has been validated for Western blots (PMID: 33175901).
- Anti-FLAG M2 (F1804-1MG; Sigma-Aldrich) has been validated for Western blots and ChIP in yeast (PMID: 30759223).
- Anti-FK2 (S1200; Sigma-Aldrich) has been validated for Western blots (PMID: 26949039).
- Anti-CBP (Abs130593; Absin Bioscience Inc) has been validated for Western blots (PMID: 34183849).
- Anti-Sam1 has been validated for Western blots (PMID: 26527276).

### ChIP-seq

#### Data deposition

- Confirm that both raw and final processed data have been deposited in a public database such as GEO.
- Confirm that you have deposited or provided access to graph files (e.g. BED files) for the called peaks.

#### Data access links

May remain private before publication.

The accession code for ChIP-seq of Jhd2, Rpd3 and H3K4me3 is GSE175868 (https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/query/acc.cgi?acc=GSE175868). The accession number for WT Jhd2, Jhd2 S2A RNA-seq dataset is GSE175870 (https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/geo/query/acc.cgi?acc=GSE175870).
### Methodology

| Description                        | Details                                                                 |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| **Replicates**                     | One biological replicate for each ChIP-seq.                            |
| **Sequencing depth**               | 15M reads                                                              |
| **Antibodies**                     | Rabbit anti-H3 (ab17911; Abcam)                                        |
|                                    | Rabbit anti-H3K4me3 (A2357; Abclonal)                                  |
|                                    | Rabbit anti-FLAG M2 (1804-1MG; Sigma-Aldrich)                          |
|                                    | anti-Rpd3 (sc-514160; Santa Cruz Biotechnology)                        |
| **Peak calling parameters**        | Data analysis and peak calling parameters are provided in the methods. |
|                                    | macs2 callpeak -t treatment.bam -c control.bam -g 1.2e7 -n B -q 0.01  |
|                                    | --nomodel                                                              |
| **Data quality**                   | All raw data used for analysis with Per base sequence quality greater |
|                                    | than 30 (Q30 cutoff). All assigned peaks were identified based on an  |
|                                    | FDR < 0.001.                                                            |
| **Software**                       | All ChIP-seq data analysis software and methodology are described in   |
|                                    | the methods.                                                            |
|                                    | SRA toolkit (v.2.9.2)                                                  |
|                                    | Fastqc (v.0.11.9)                                                      |
|                                    | Trim Galore (v.0.3.1)                                                  |
|                                    | Bowtie3 (v.2.1.0)                                                      |
|                                    | Samtools (1.7-2)                                                       |
|                                    | MACS2 (v.2.1.1)                                                        |
|                                    | Bedtools (v.2.19.0)                                                    |
|                                    | R (v.3.1)                                                              |
|                                    | IGV                                                                    |
|                                    | deeptools 2.0                                                          |
|                                    | hisat2 (v.2.1.0)                                                       |
|                                    | EdgeR (v.3.24)                                                         |
|                                    | ggplot2 (v.3.3.3)                                                      |