

# Epigenetic regulation of adipogenesis by MLL3/MLL4 complex

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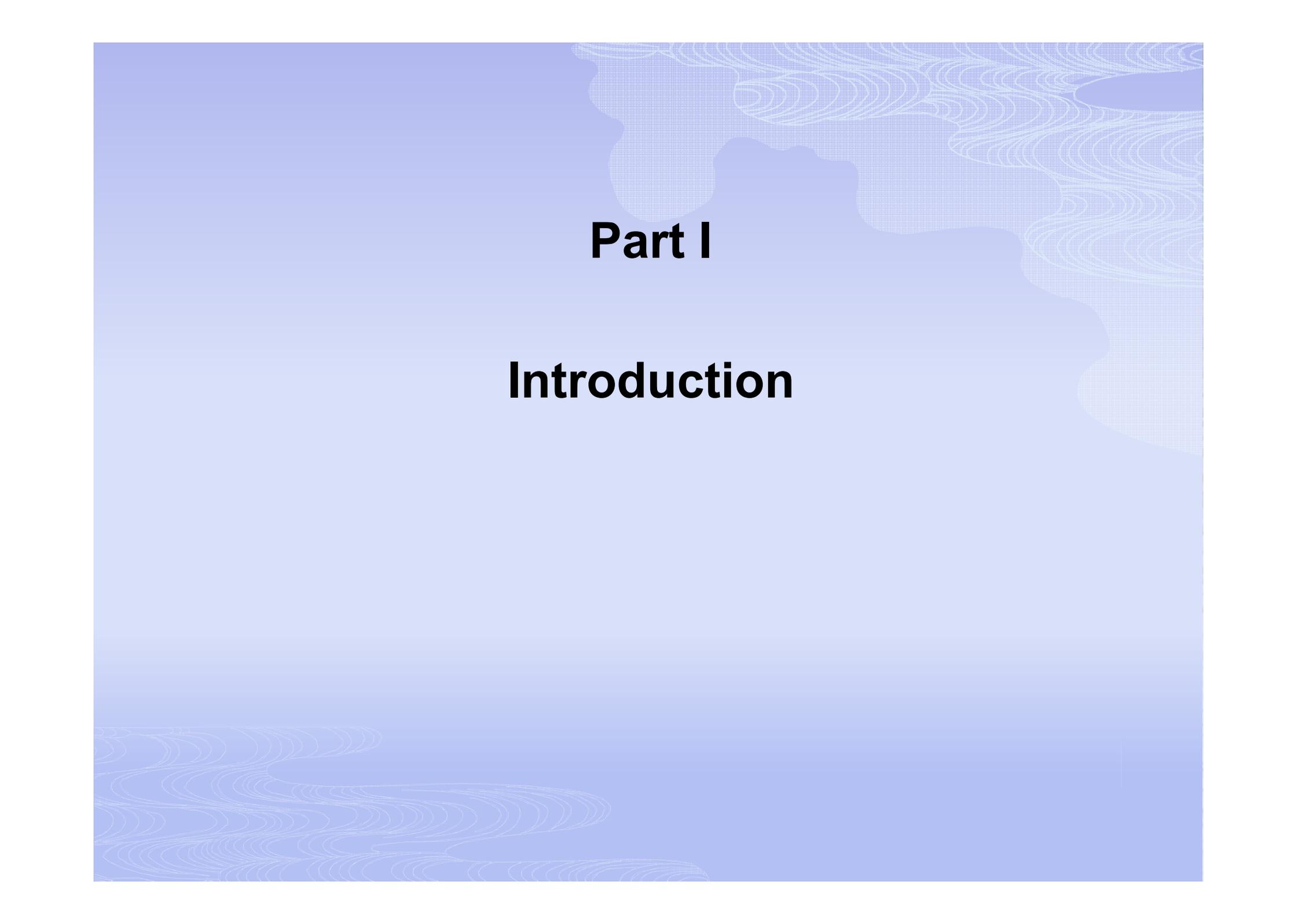
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## **I. Introduction**

**Obesity and PPAR $\gamma$**

## **II. MLL3/MLL4 complex has both histone H3K4 methyltransferase activity and histone H3K27 demethylase activity**

## **III. MLL3/MLL4 complex is required for adipogenesis**

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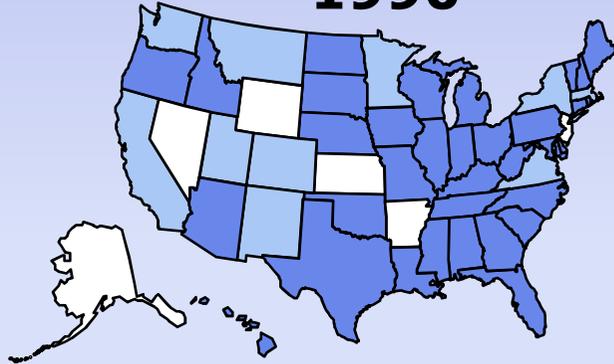
# **Part I**

## **Introduction**

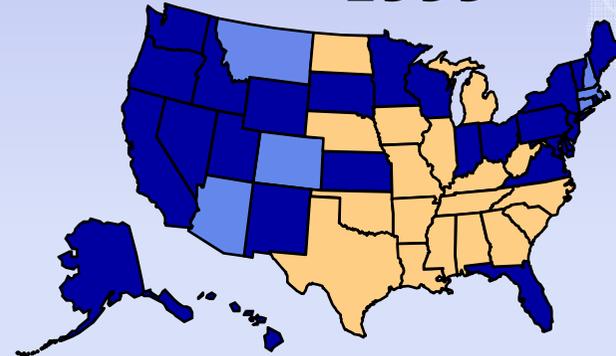
# Obesity Trends among U.S. Adults

(\*BMI  $\geq 30$ ; weight(kg)/height(m)<sup>2</sup>)

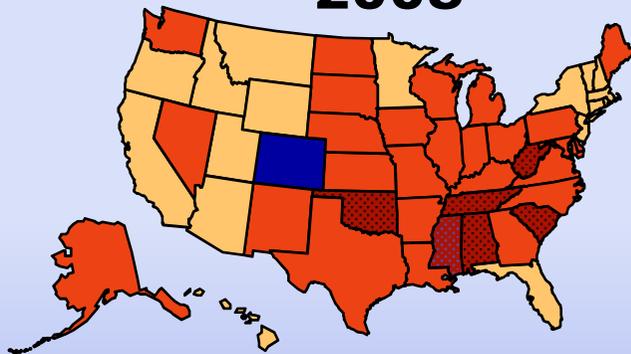
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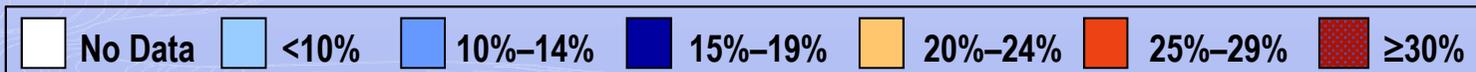
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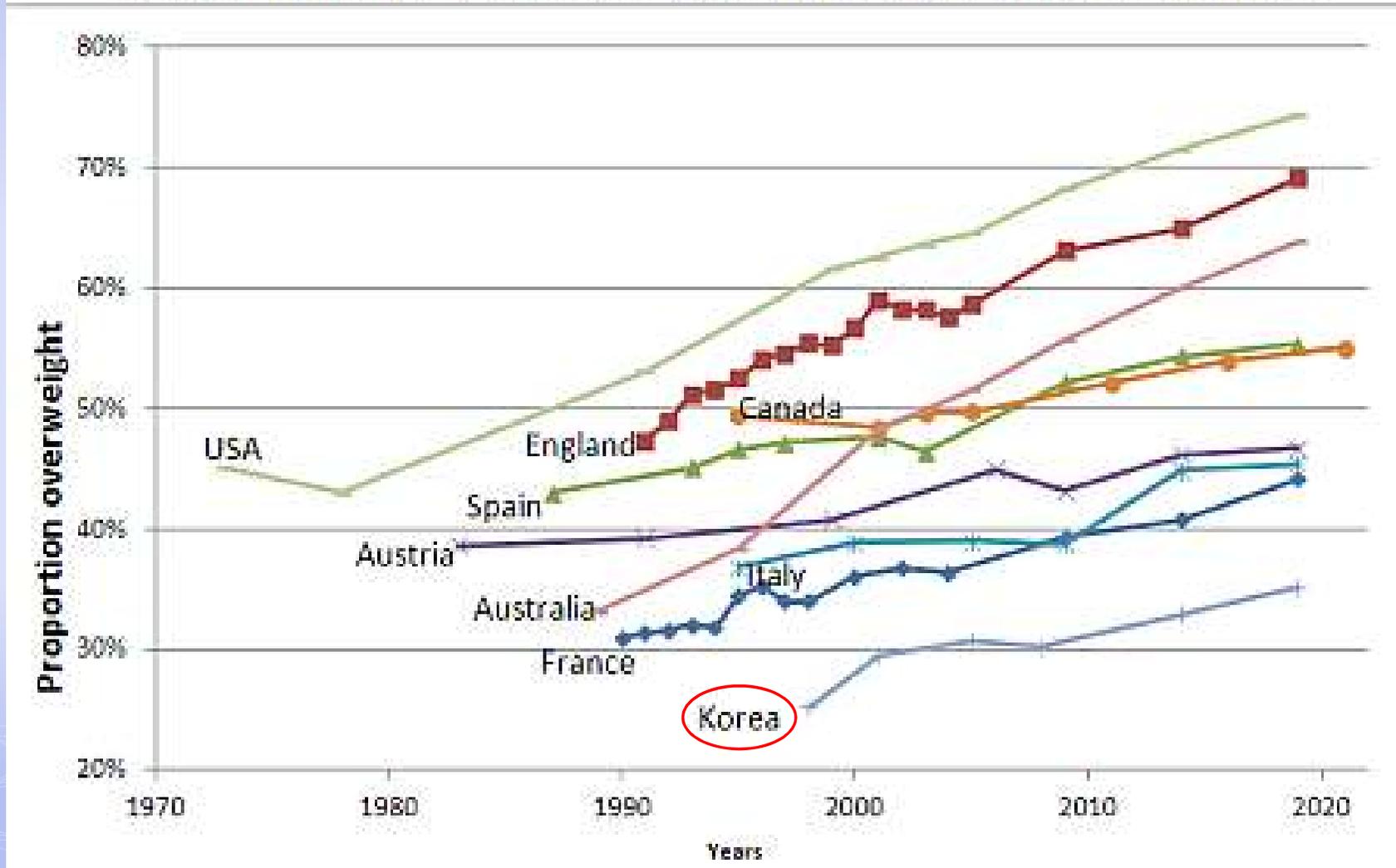


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# Global Obesity Epidemic

Past and projected future overweight rates in selected OECD countries



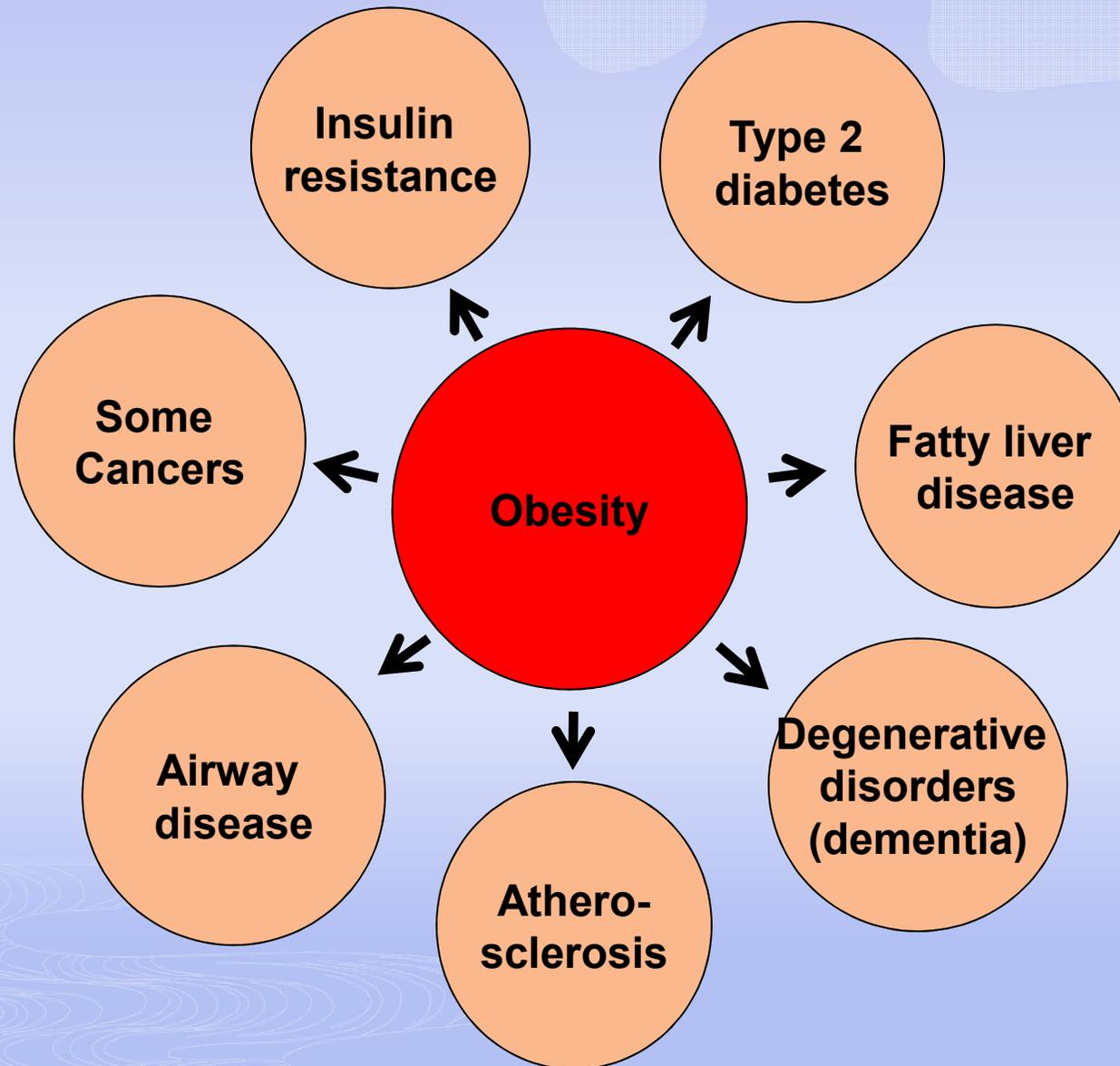
# What Cause Obesity?

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- ❖ Overeating
- ❖ Physical inactivity
- ❖ Slow metabolism
- ❖ Genetics - leptin deficiency
- ❖ Lack of Sleep
- ❖ Medications
- ❖ Psychological factors
- ❖ Diseases – Cushing's disease
- ❖ Gut microbes

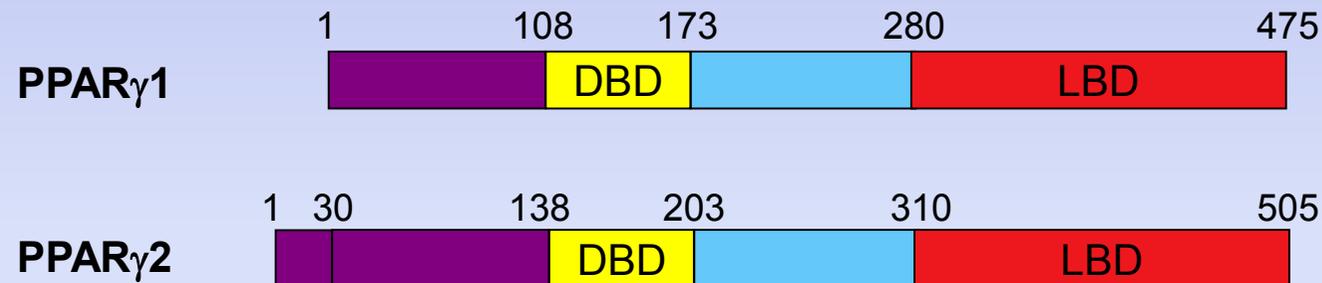
# Obesity-Related Health Problems

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# Peroxisome Proliferator-Activated Receptor $\gamma$ (PPAR $\gamma$ )

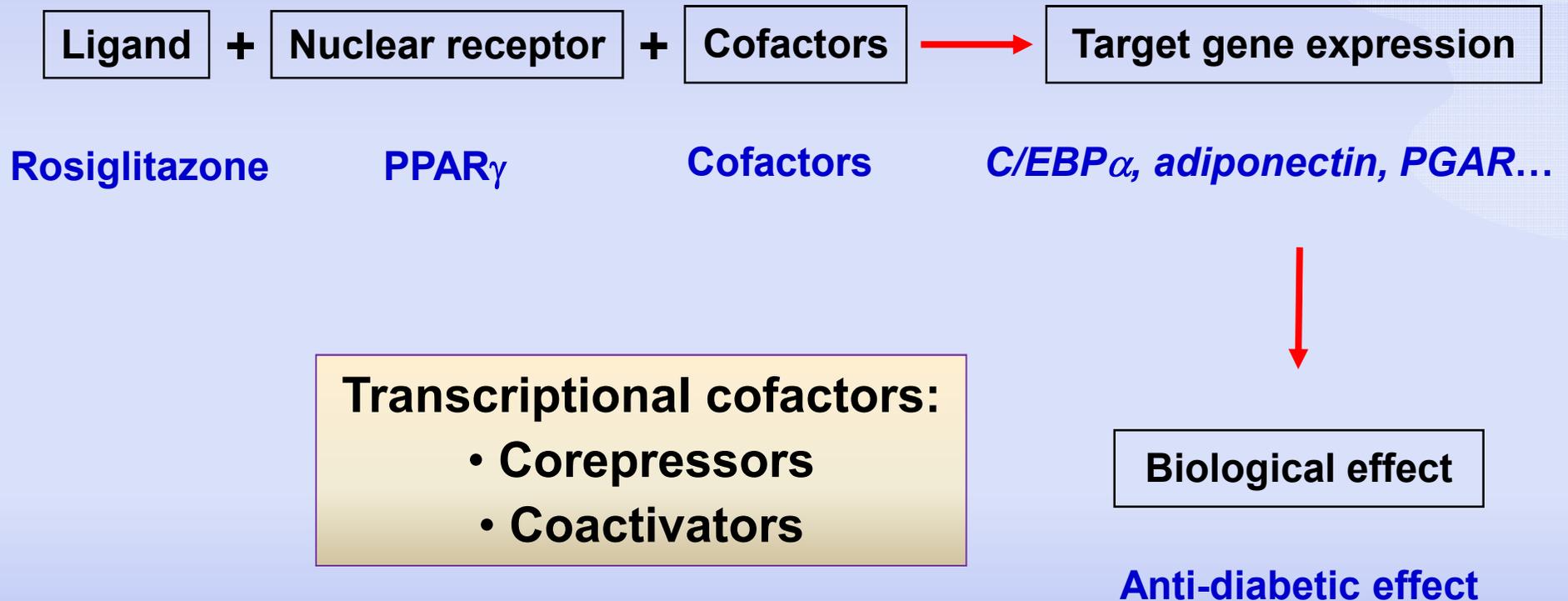
- Nuclear receptor family of ligand-binding transcription factor



- **Master regulator of adipogenesis**
  - Both  $\gamma$ 1 &  $\gamma$ 2 are highly expressed in adipocytes; both are important for adipogenesis
  - Non-adipogenic mouse embryonic fibroblasts  $\xrightarrow{\text{PPAR}\gamma}$  adipocytes
- **Drug target for type II diabetes**
  - Synthetic PPAR $\gamma$  ligands, e.g. Rosiglitazone, were used for millions of type II diabetic patients

# Molecular Mechanisms of Nuclear Receptor Biology

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# Transcriptional Cofactors

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## On naked DNA:

- **Mediator complex: binds RNA polymerase II and nuclear receptors**

## On chromatin (epigenetics):

- **ATP-dependent chromatin remodeling complexes**
- **Histone modifying complexes: acetylation, methylation...**

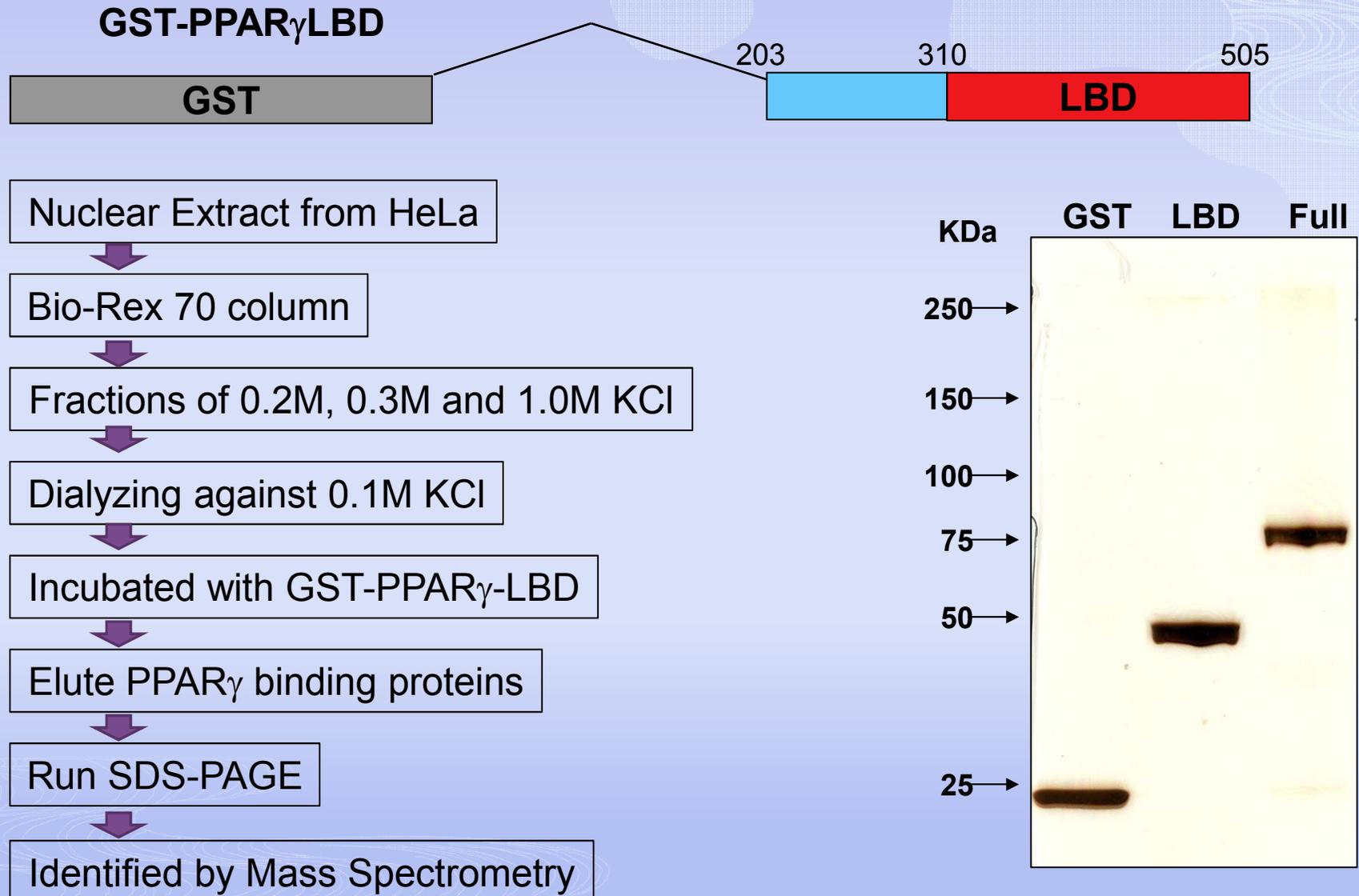
**Methylation on histone H3 lysine 4 (H3K4):**    **gene activation**

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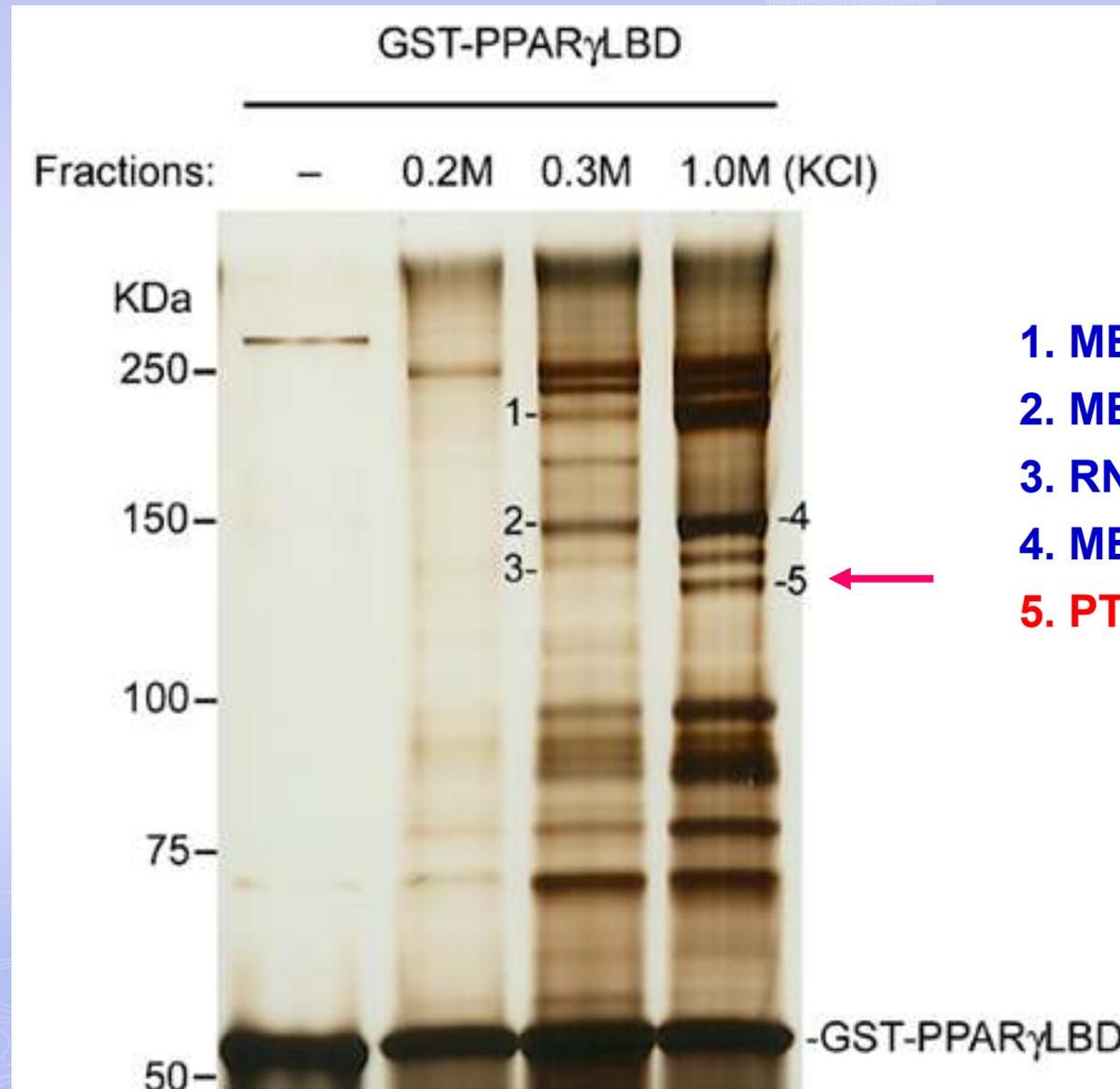
## **Part II**

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# GST-PPAR $\gamma$ LBD fusion protein



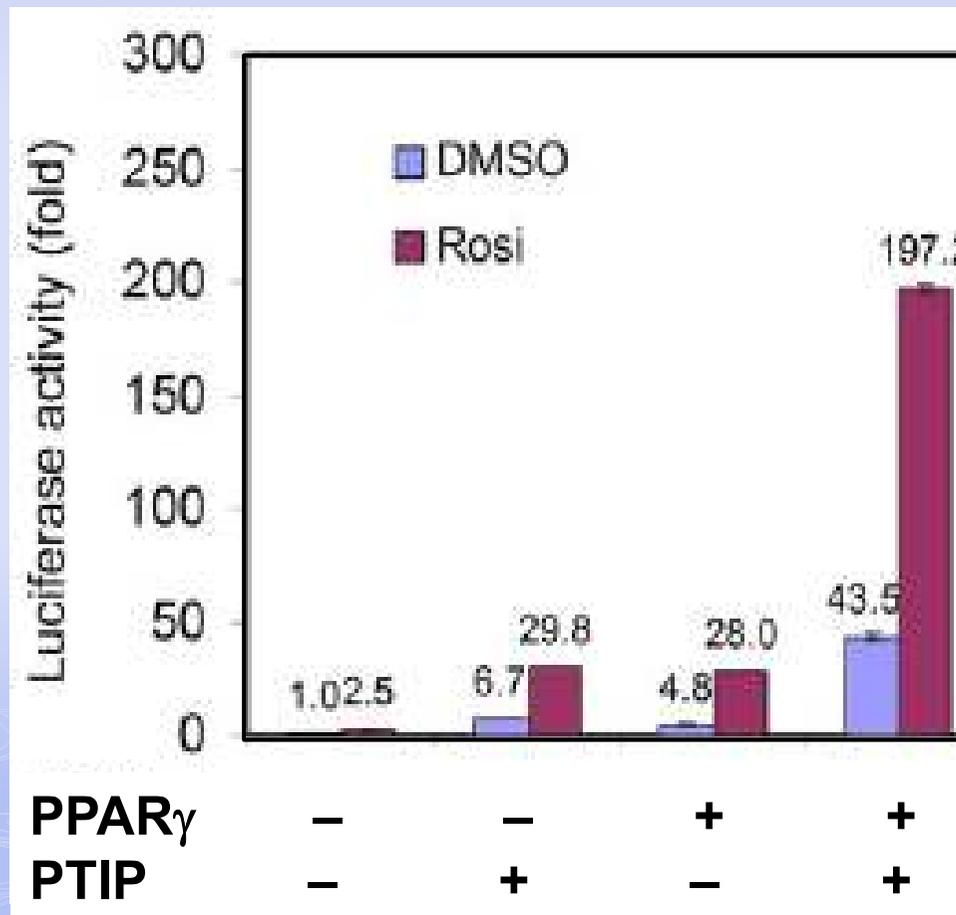
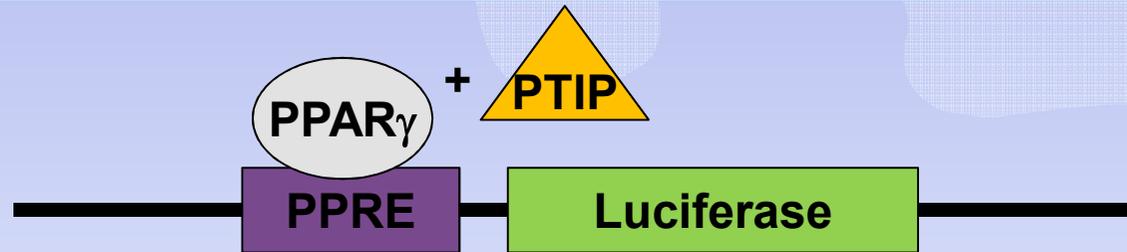
# PPAR $\gamma$ Binding Proteins



1. MED1 / TRAP220
2. MED23 / Sur2
3. RNA Pol II subunit 2
4. MED14 / TRAP170
5. **PTIP** (Pax transactivation domain-interacting protein)

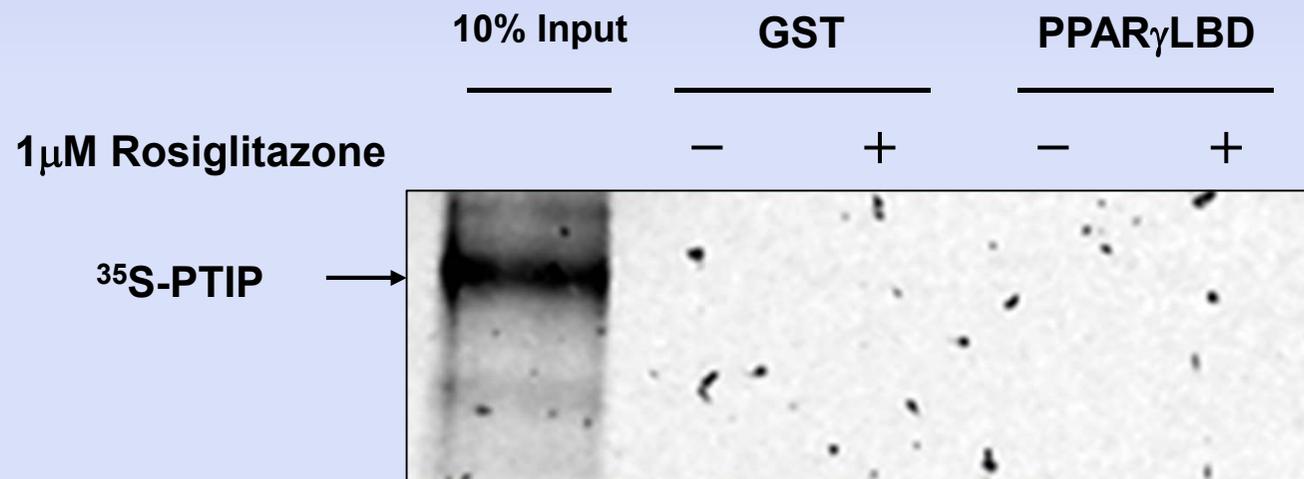
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# PTIP is a Novel Transcriptional Coactivator of PPAR $\gamma$



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# Lack of Interaction between PTIP & PPAR $\gamma$ *in vitro*



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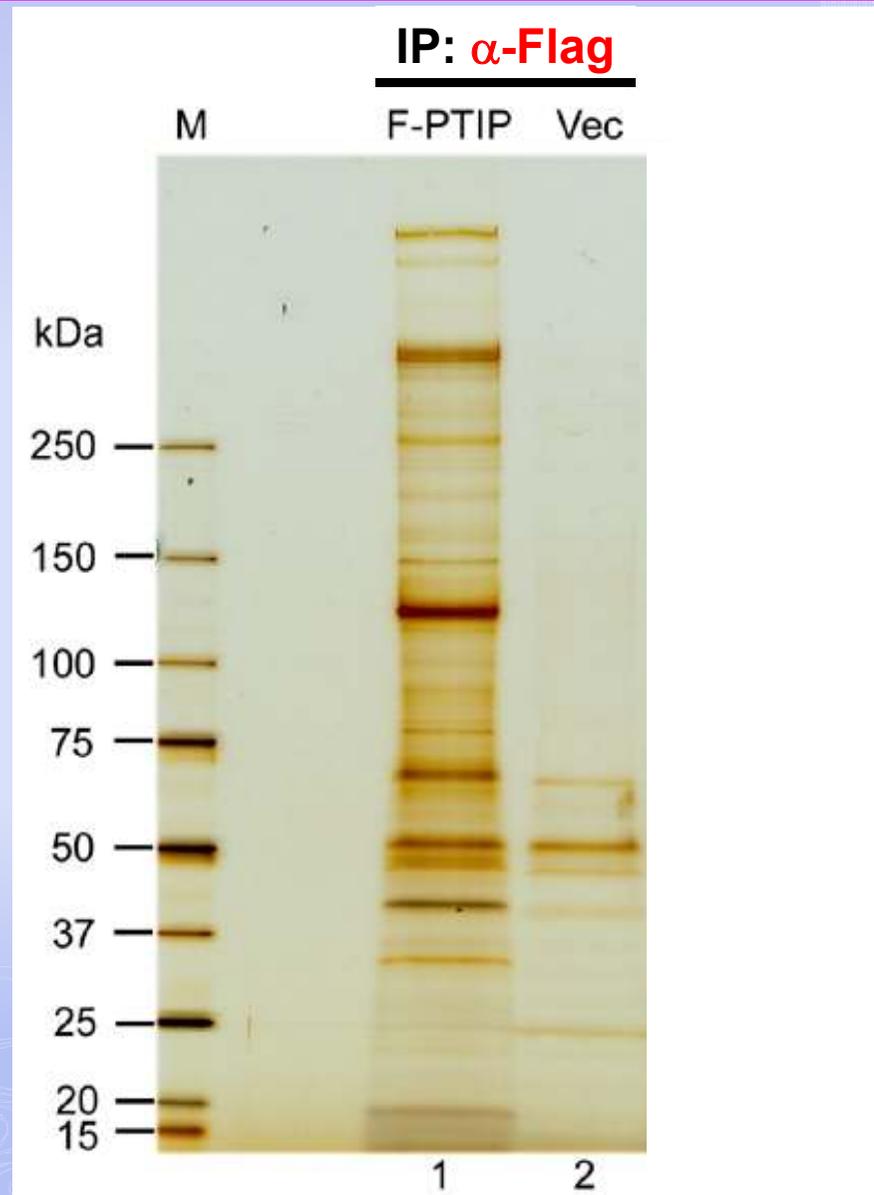
# Pax Transactivation domain-Interacting Protein (PTIP)

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- A ubiquitously expressed nuclear protein
- Carries 6 **BRCT** domains that are predominantly found in proteins involved in DNA damage response
- In response to ionizing radiation, ectopic PTIP binds 53BP1 and translocates to DNA damage-induced foci (*Science 2003*)
- **Normal cellular function of PTIP was unclear**
- PTIP is important for immunoglobulin class switch recombination(*Science 2010*)

# Immunoprecipitation of Flag-PTIP



- **Human Set1-like HMT complexes:**  
MLL4, MLL3, NCOA6, ASH2L,  
RBBP5, WDR5, hDPY-30
- **F-PTIP, PA1, UTX**
- **DNA damage response & repair:**  
53BP1, MRE11, RAD50, BLM

# Purification of MLL3/MLL4 Complex

HeLaS/**Flag-PTIP** nuclear extracts



1<sup>st</sup> IP: **α-Flag** antibody



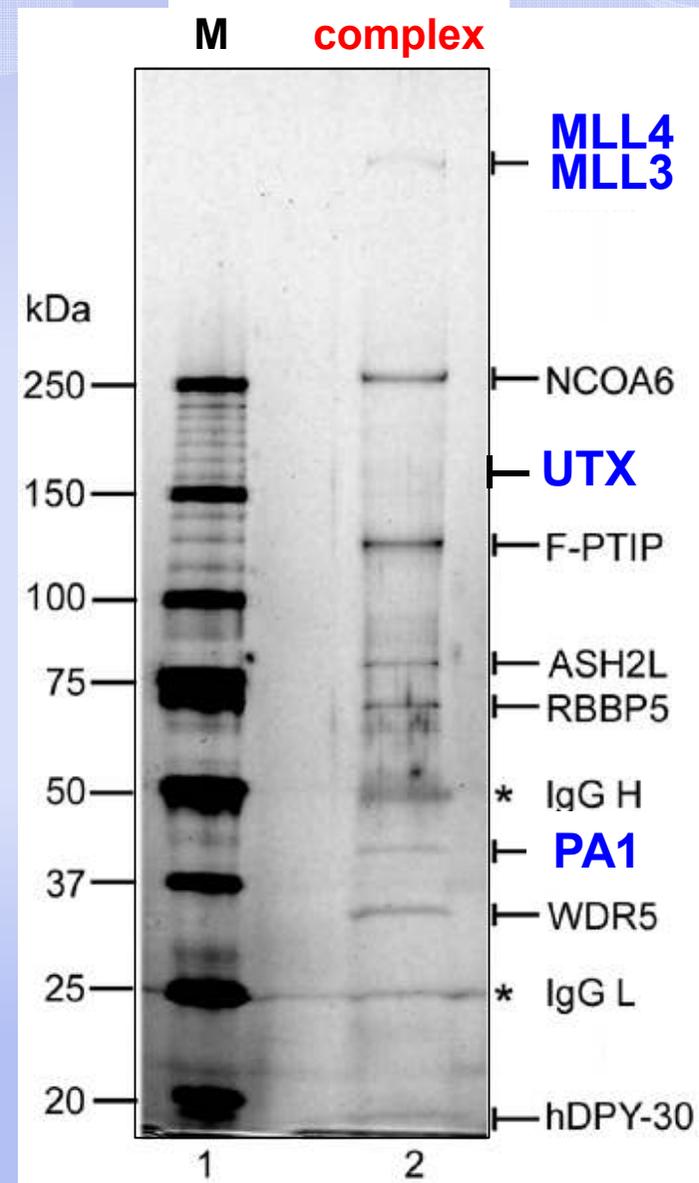
PTIP-associated proteins



2<sup>nd</sup> IP: **α-RbBP5**

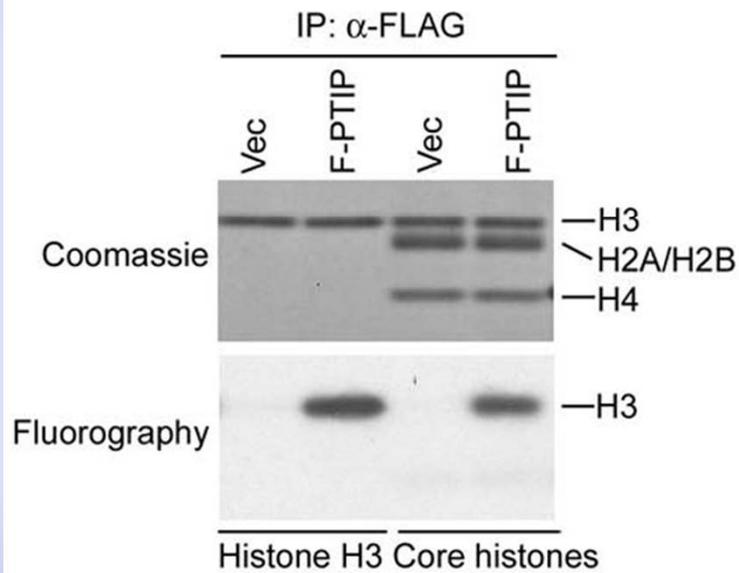


MLL3/MLL4 complex

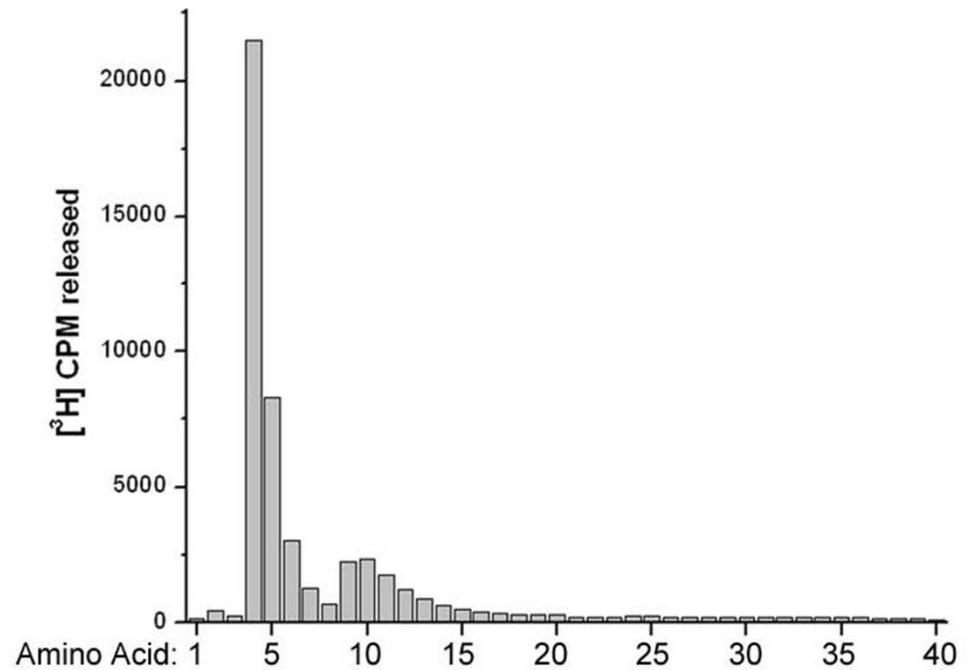


# MLL3/MLL4 Complex Methylates Histone H3 on K4

A. HMT assay:

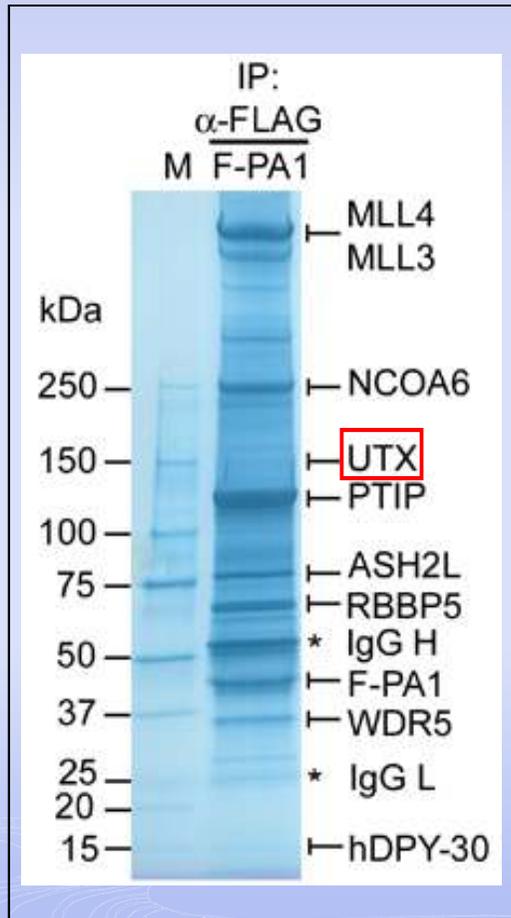


B. Edman degradation of methylated Histone H3:

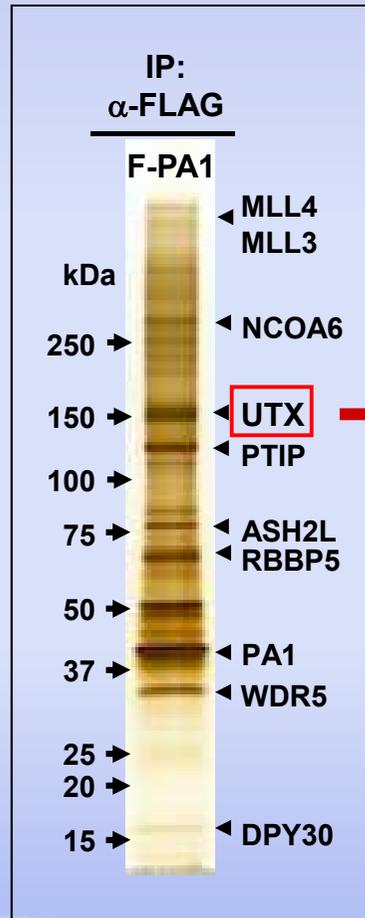


# UTX is a Histone H3K27 Demethylase

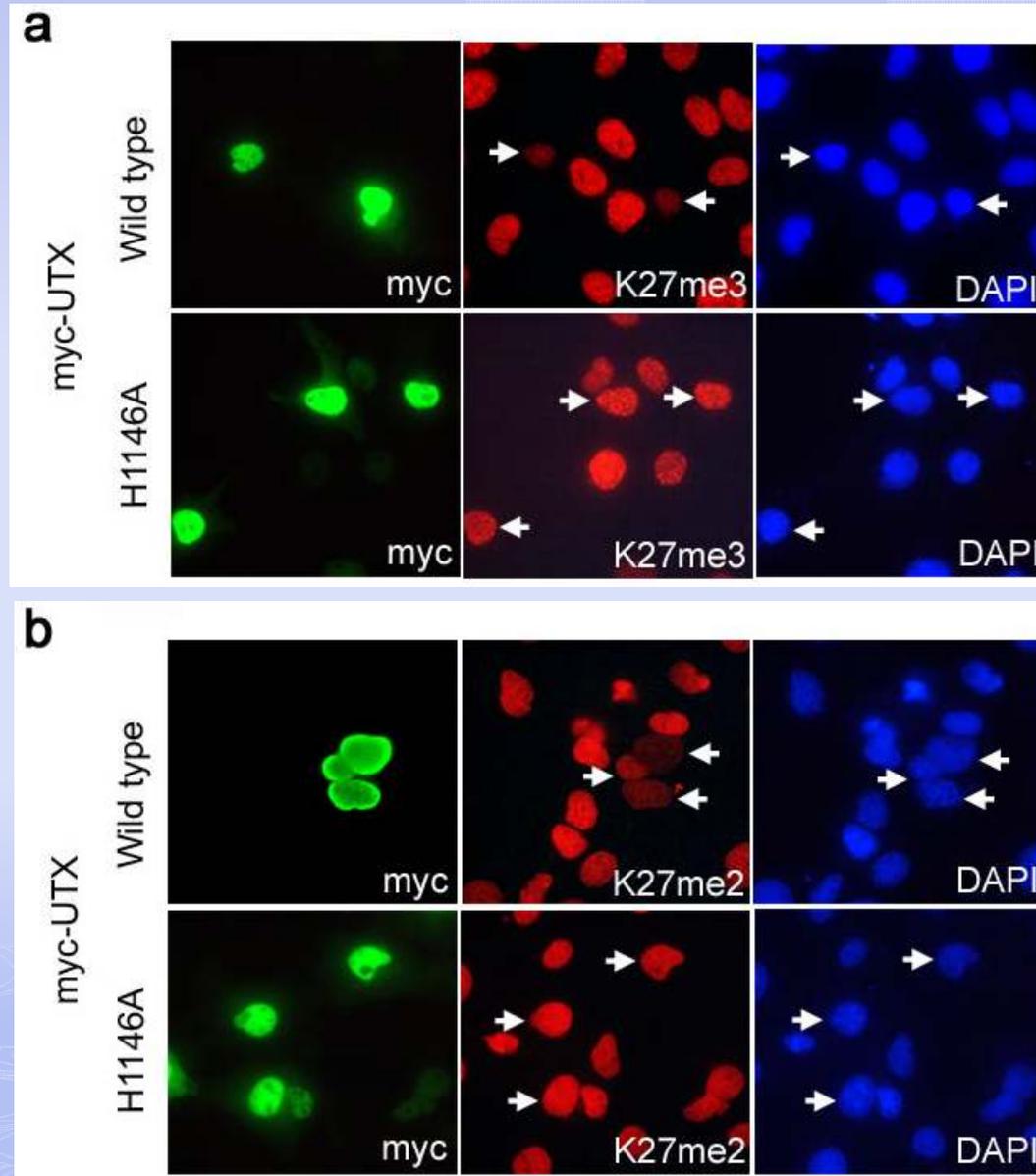
HeLaS cells



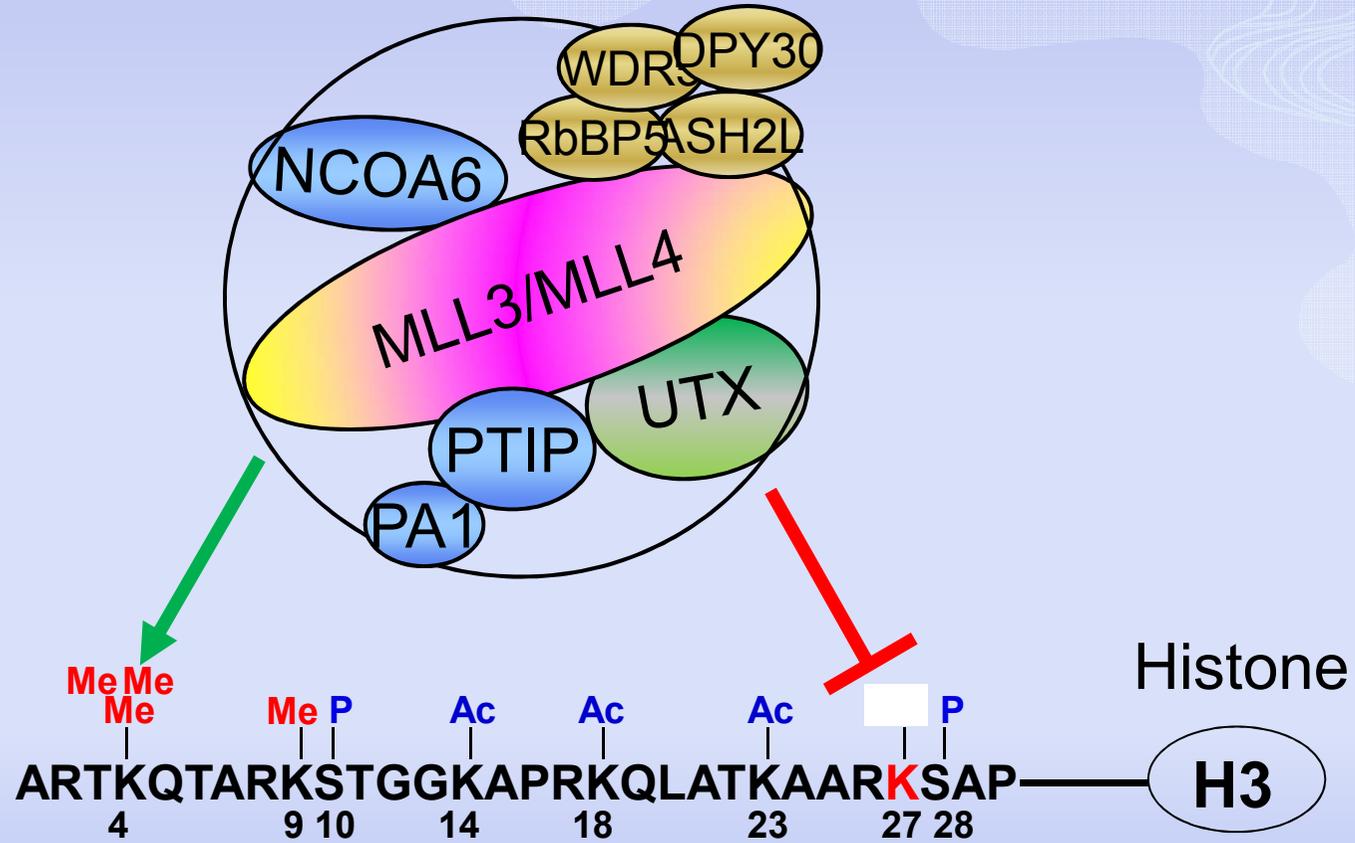
293 cells



# UTX expression results in reduced H3K27 in Cos7



# MLL3/MLL4 Complex Mediated Histone Modification



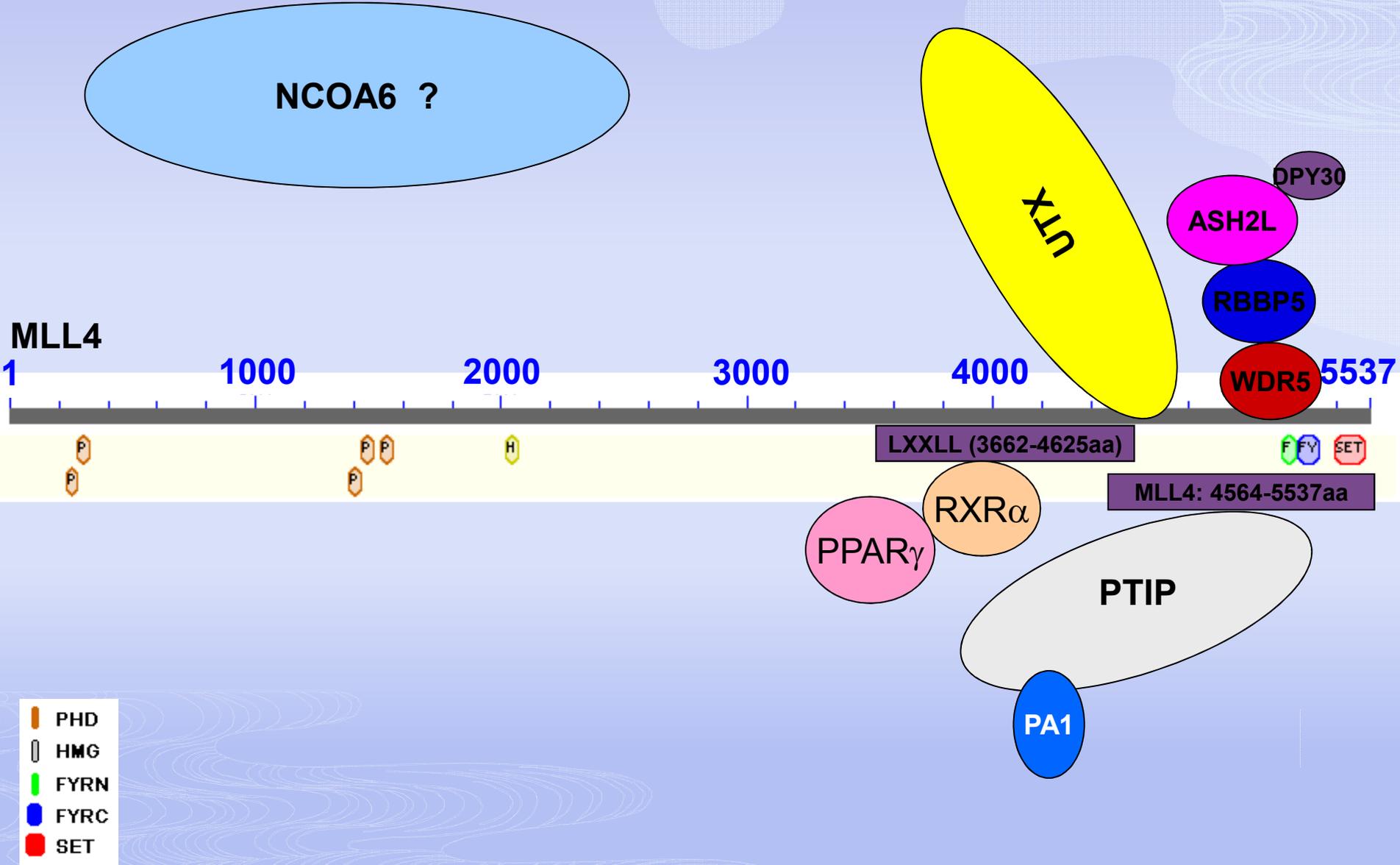
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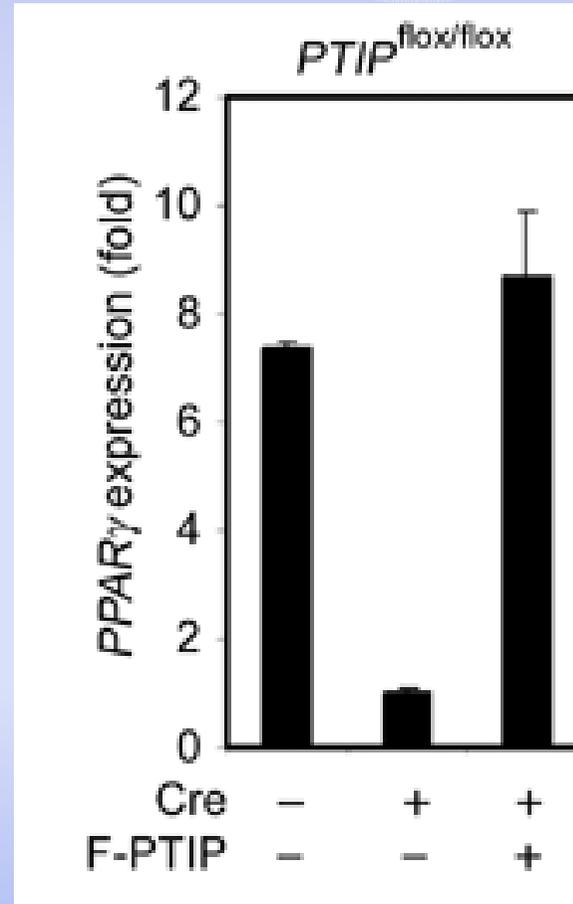
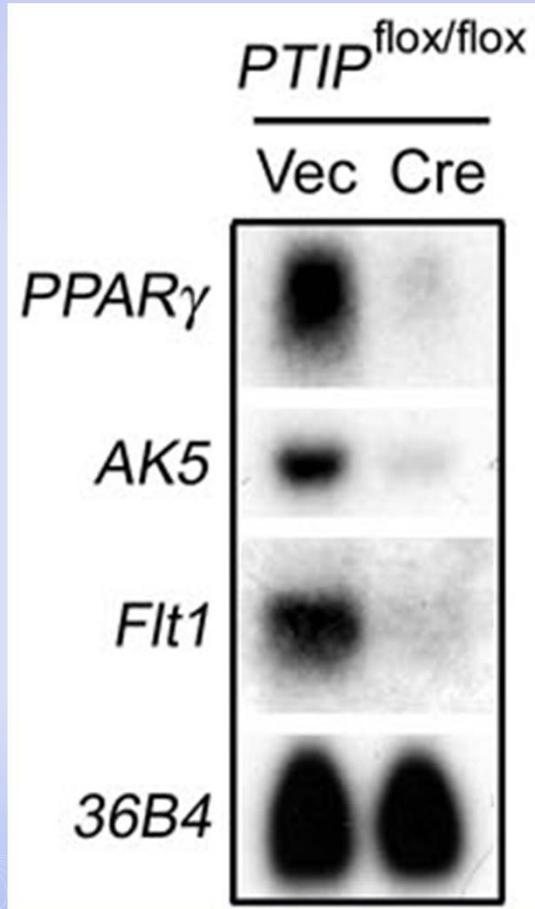
# Interaction among MLL3/MLL4 Complex Subunits



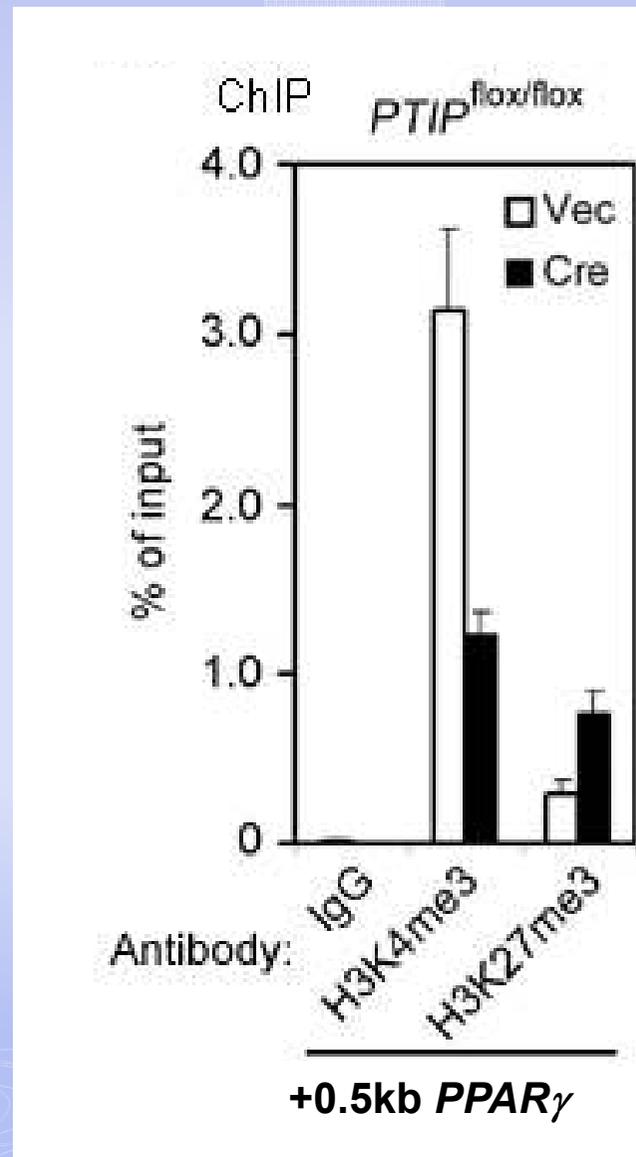
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**MLL3/MLL4 complex is required for  
adipogenesis**

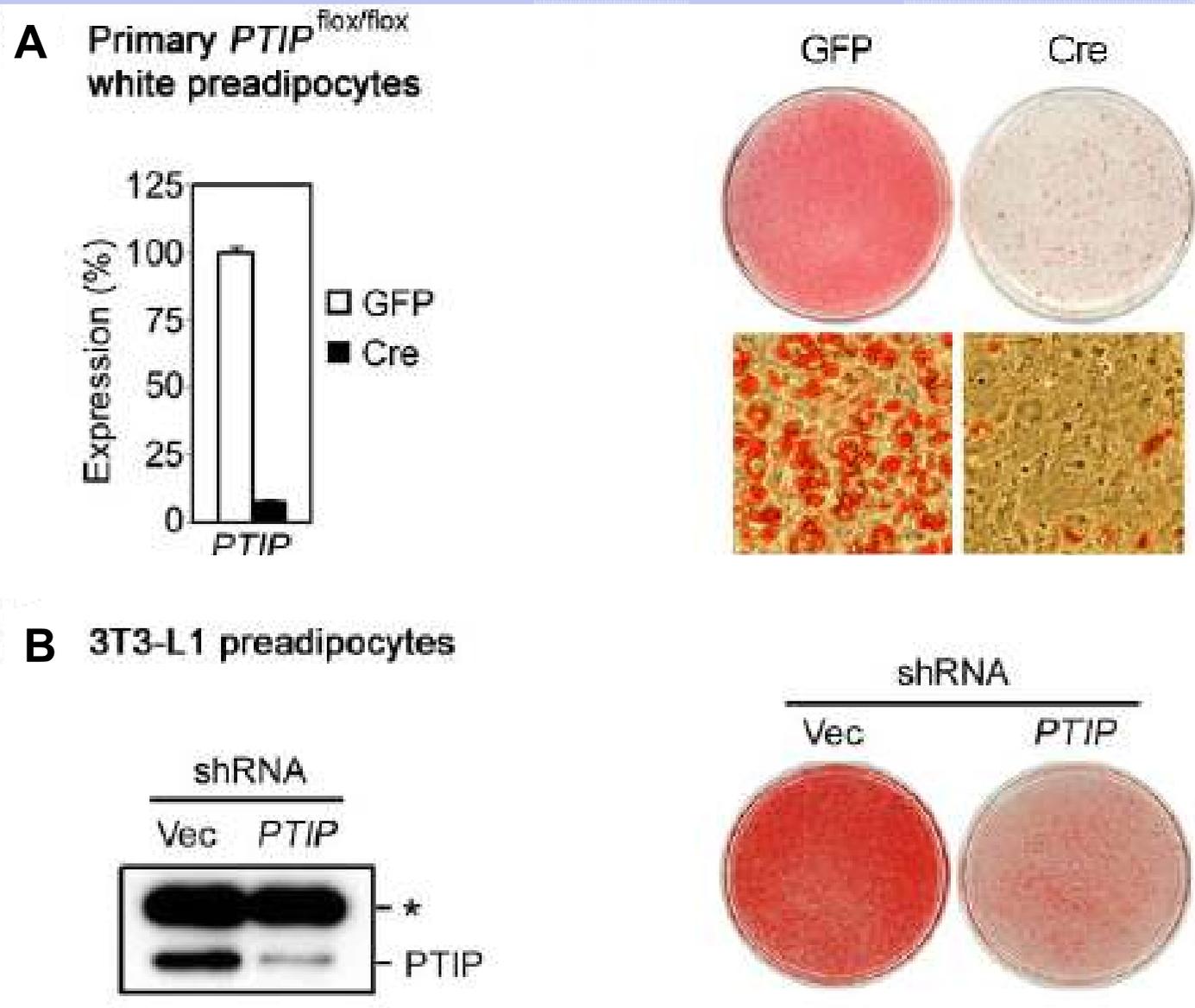
# MLL3/MLL4 Complex Regulates PPAR $\gamma$ Expression



# Histone Methylations on PPAR $\gamma$

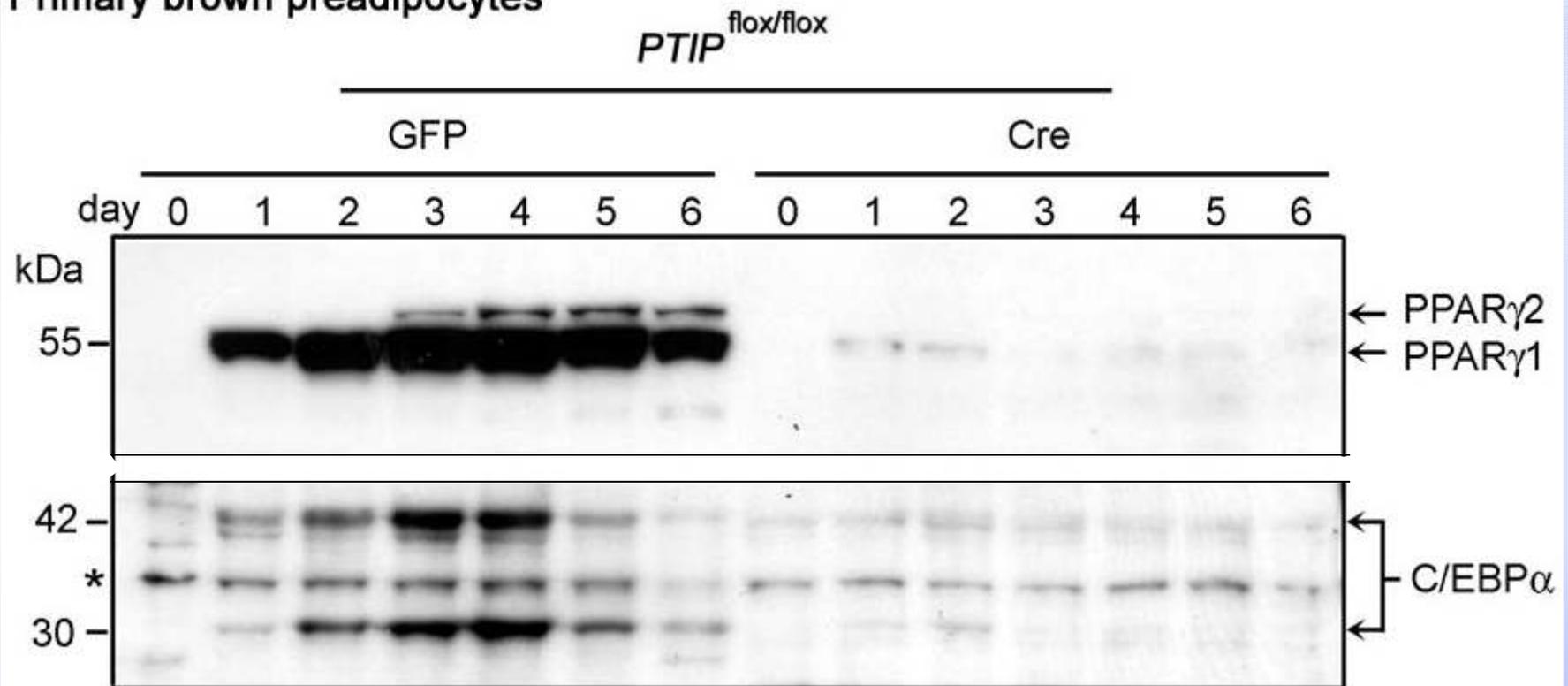


# PTIP Complex is Required for Adipogenesis



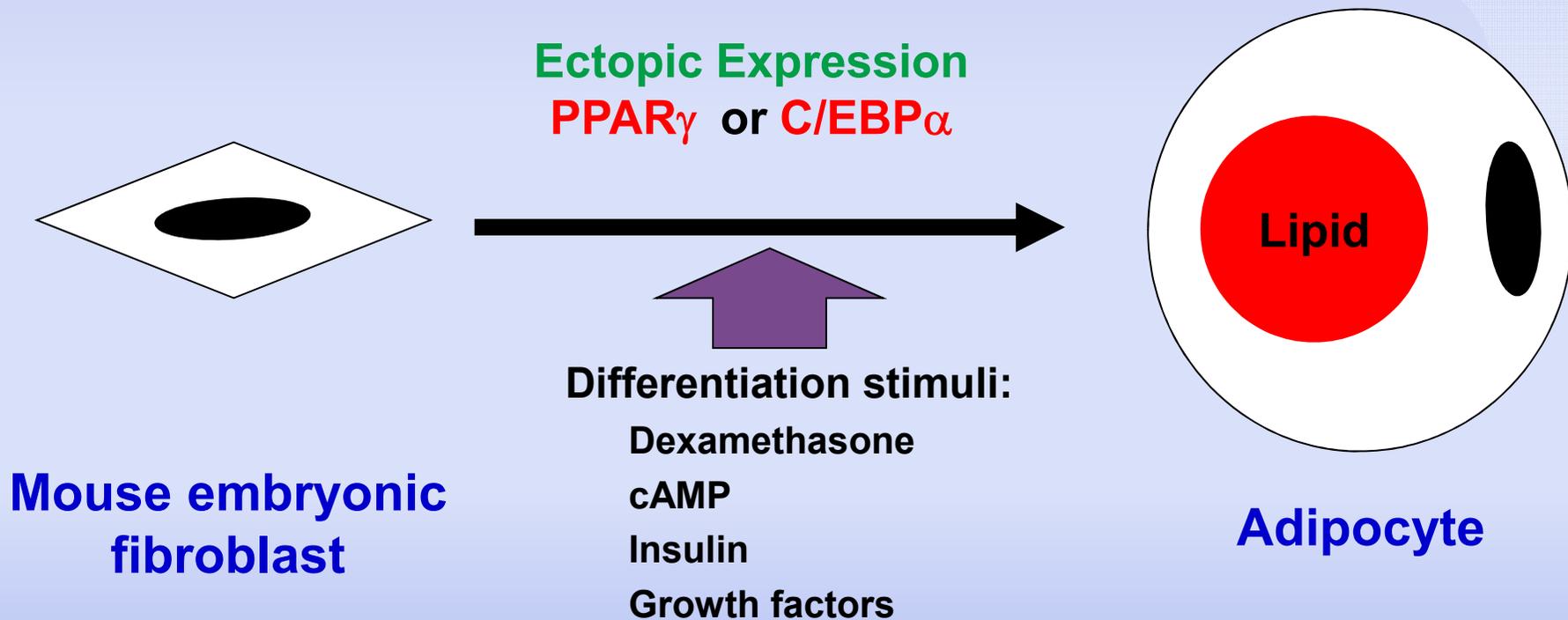
# PPAR $\gamma$ and CEBP $\alpha$ Expression

Primary brown preadipocytes

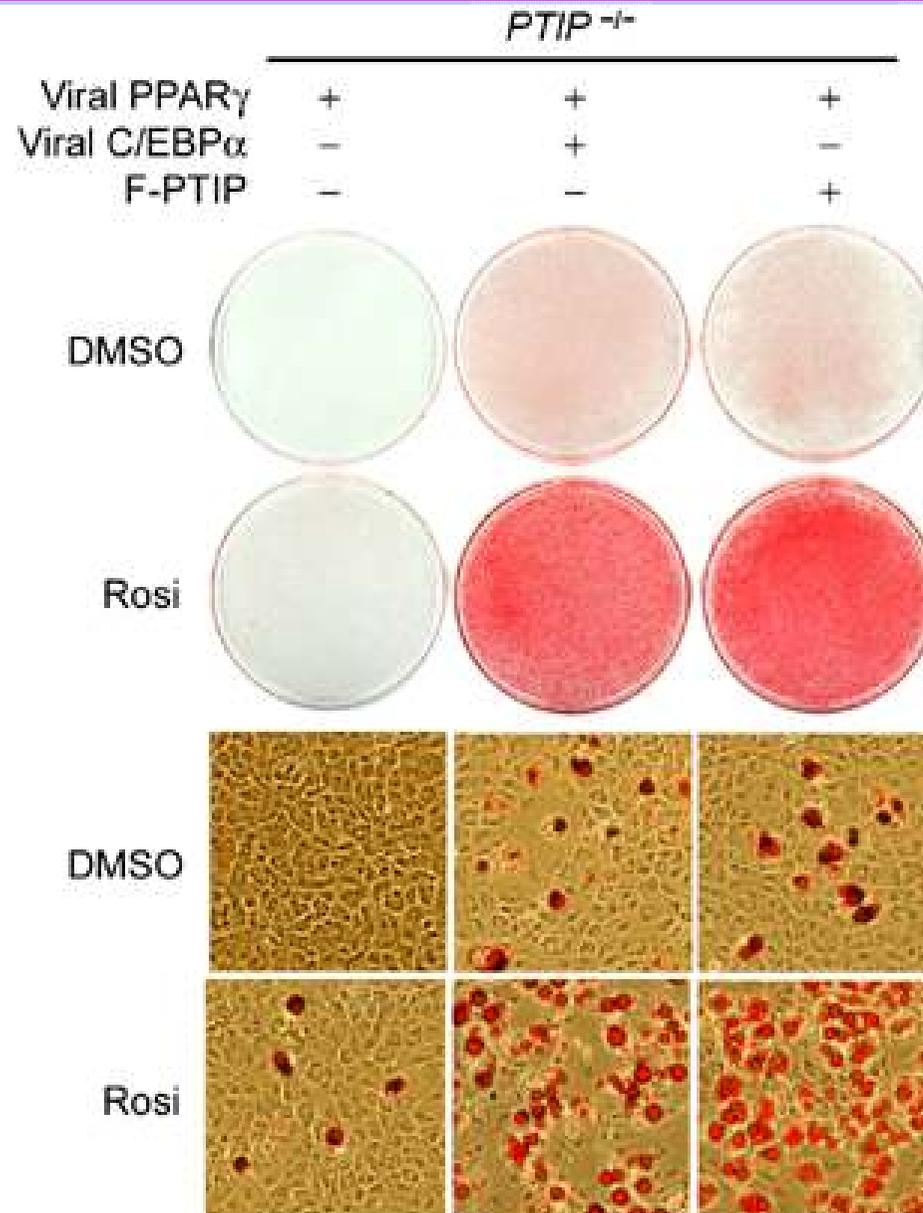


# *In vitro* Adipogenesis

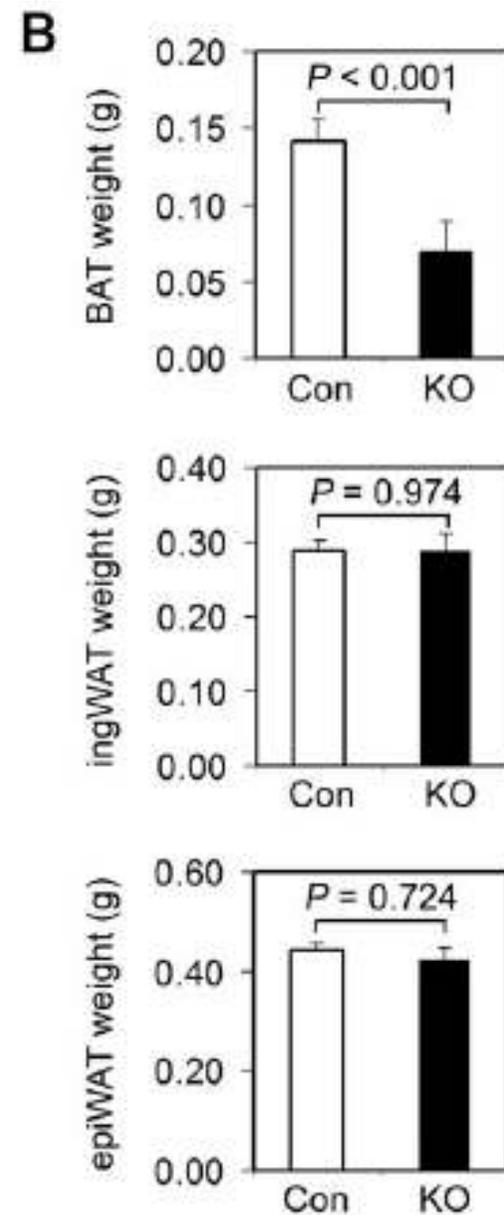
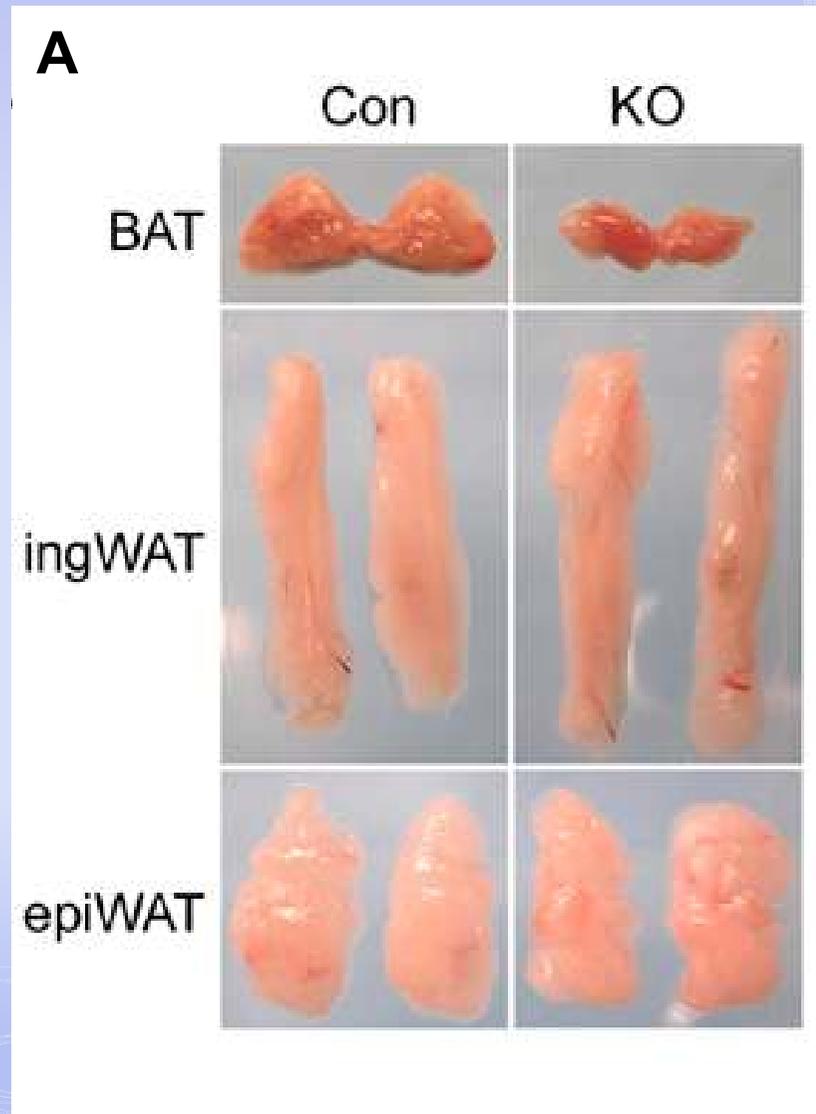
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# Adipogenesis in PTIP KO Cells

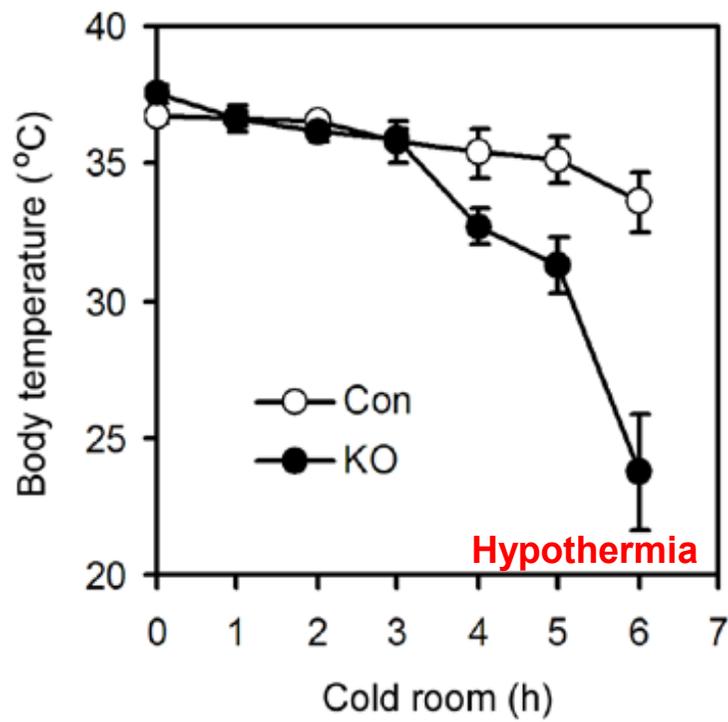


# Adipose Tissue-Specific PTIP KO mice

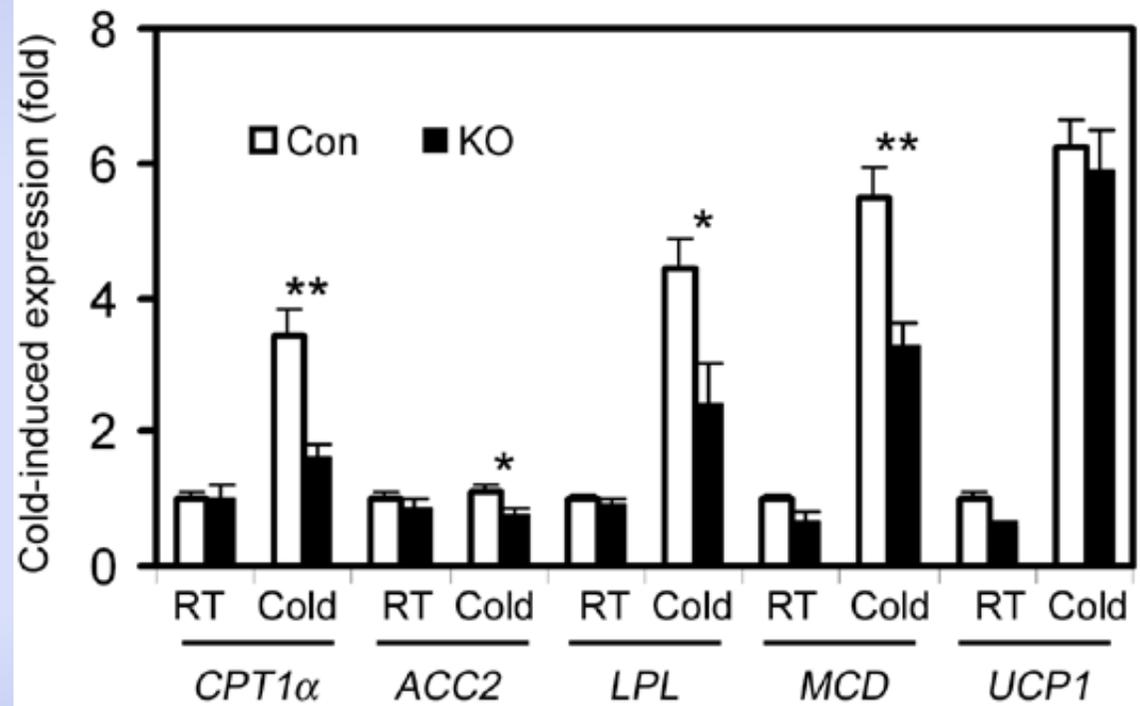


# Cold Intolerance

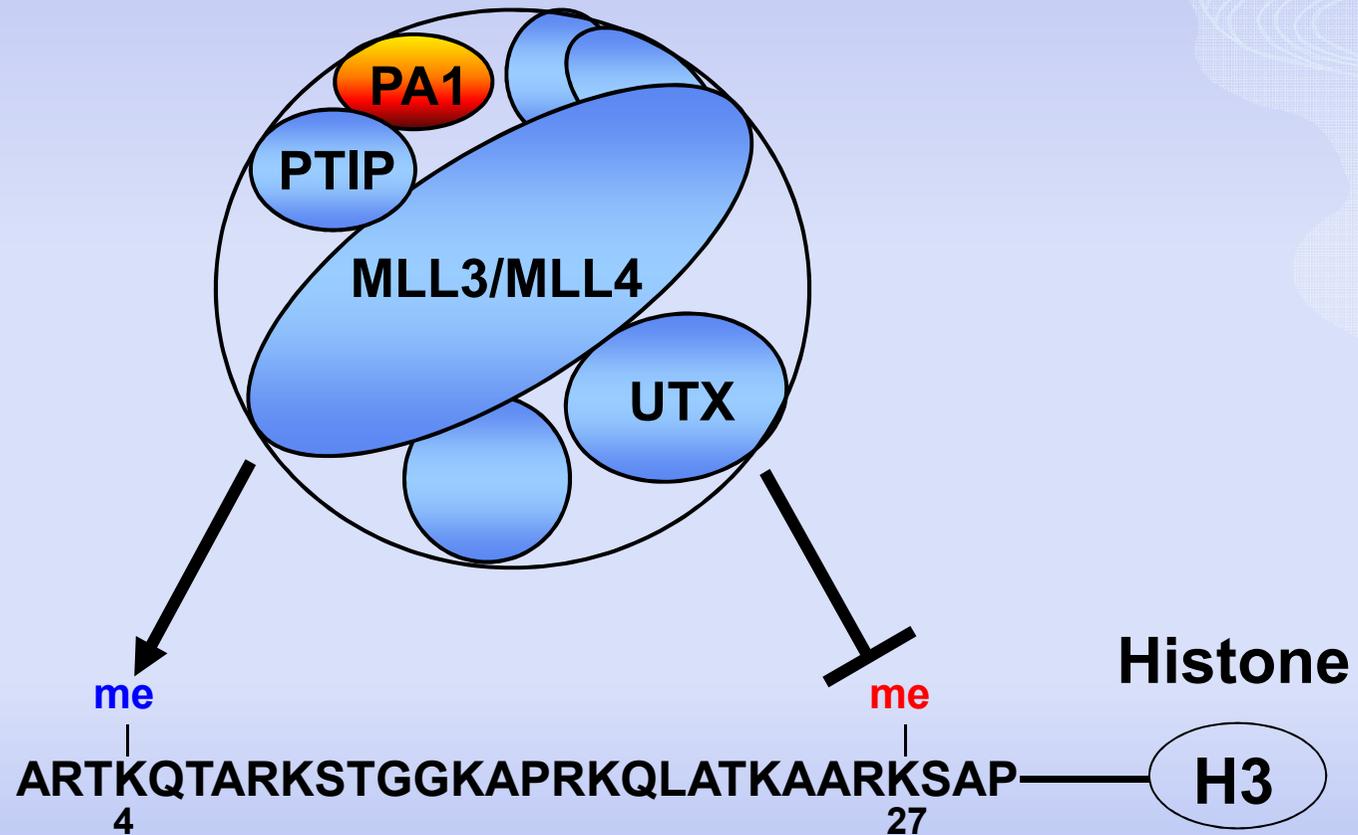
Cold tolerance



qRT-PCR



# PA1 in MLL3/MLL4 Complex



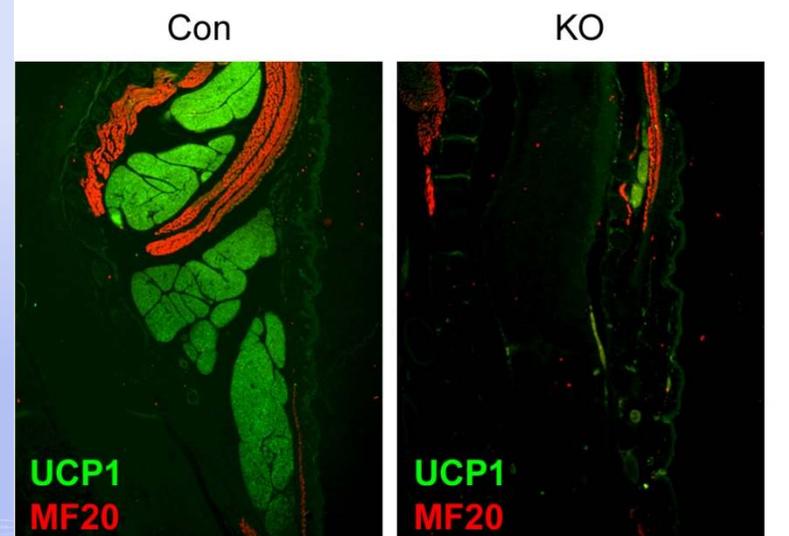
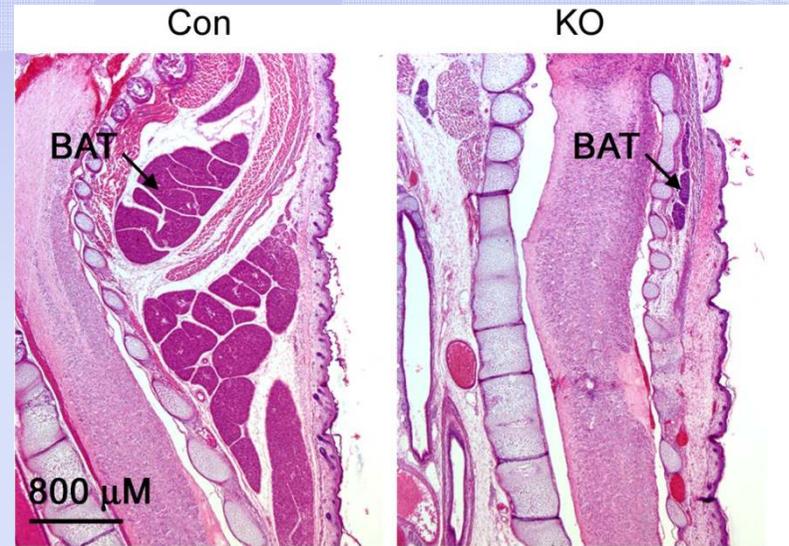
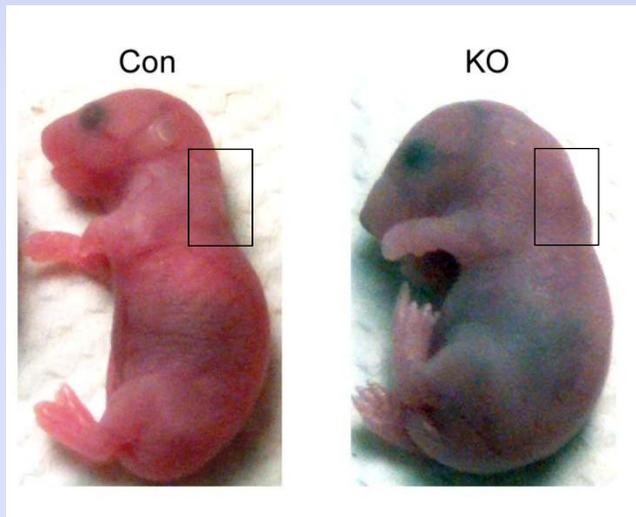
Methylation on **H3K4**: gene activation

Methylation on **H3K27**: gene repression

# Brown Fat-Specific PA1 Knockout Mice

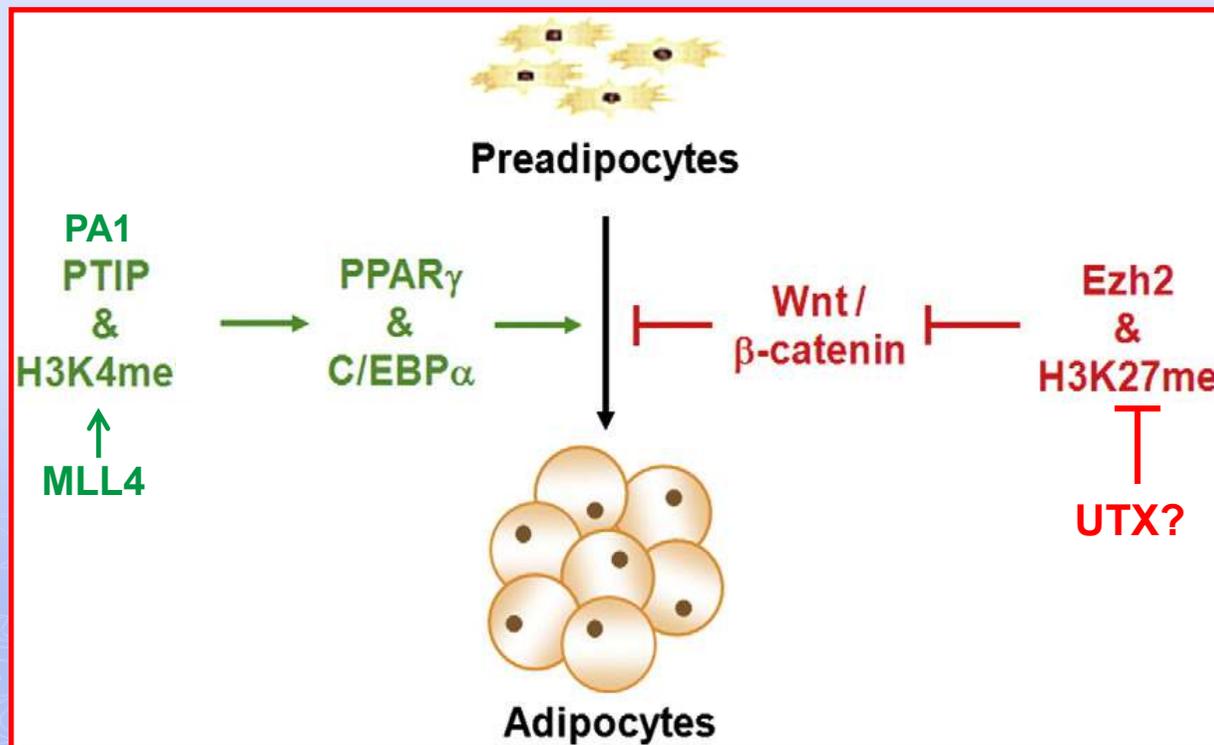
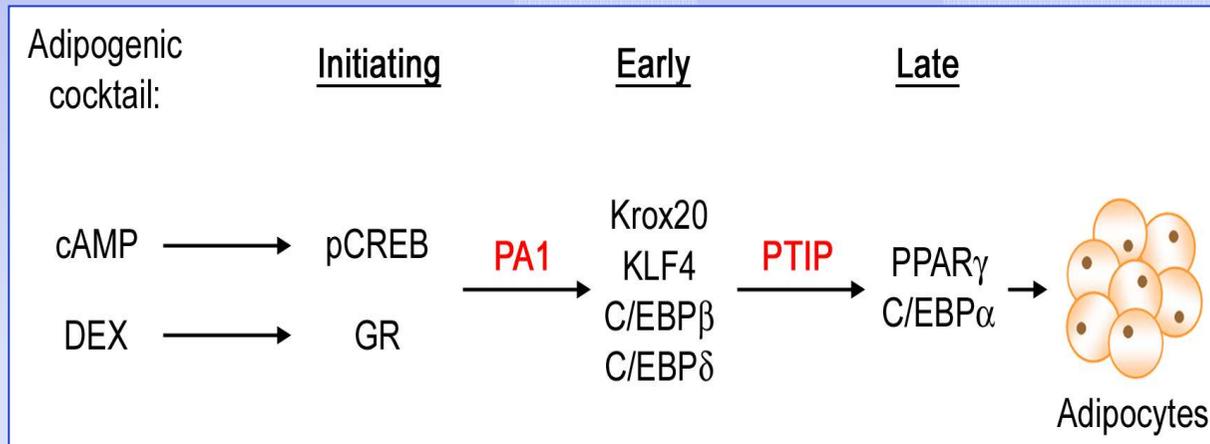
Mating: PA1<sup>lox/lox</sup> x PA1<sup>lox/+</sup> Myf5-Cre

E18.5



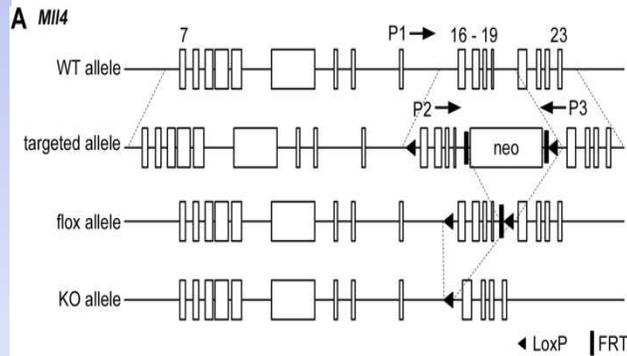
Genotype (E18.5)	Number of embryos	Survival (%)
PA1 <sup>lox/+</sup>	15	100
PA1 <sup>lox/+</sup> ; Myf5-Cre	15	100
PA1 <sup>lox/lox</sup>	12	100
PA1 <sup>lox/lox</sup> ; Myf5-Cre	11	0

# Regulation of Adipogenesis by MLL3/MLL4 Complex

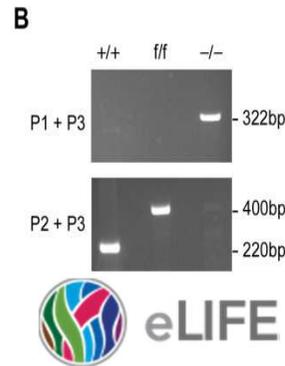


# Gene deletion prevents high-fat diet induced fatty liver

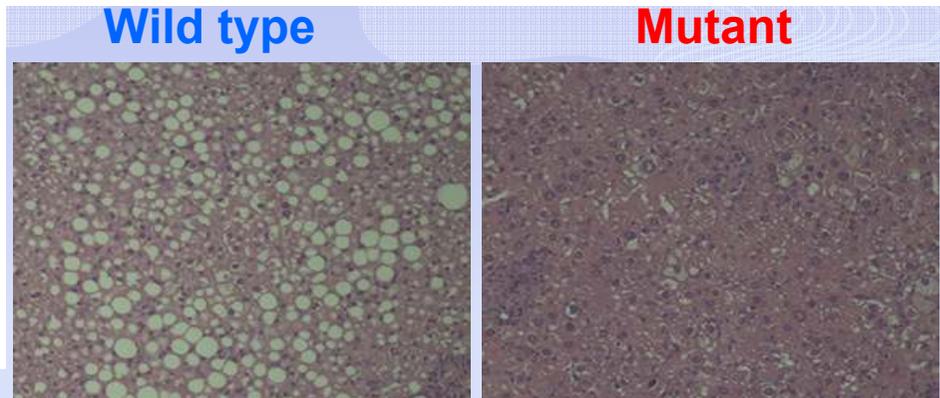
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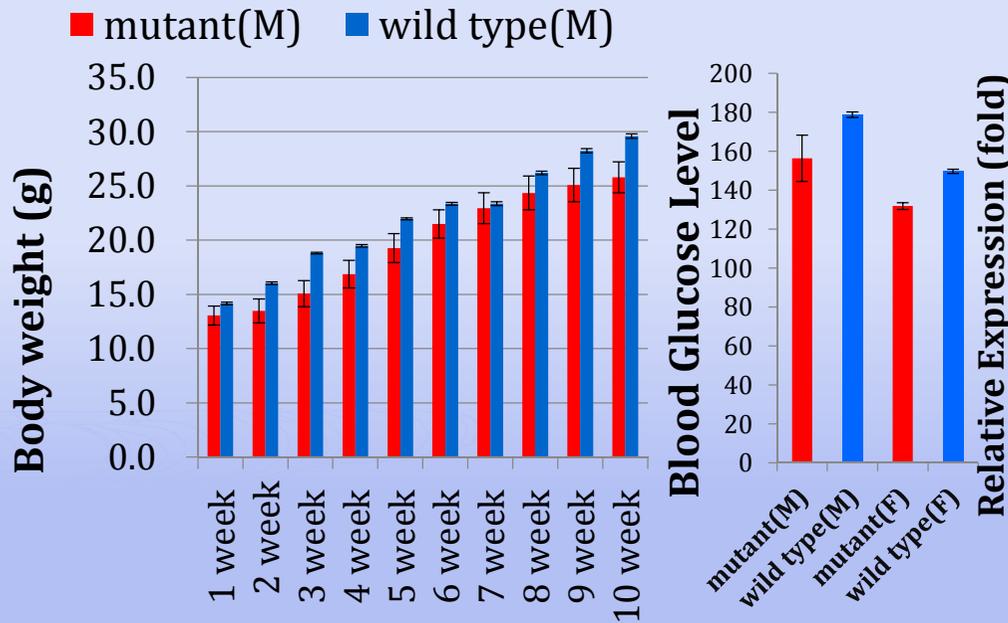
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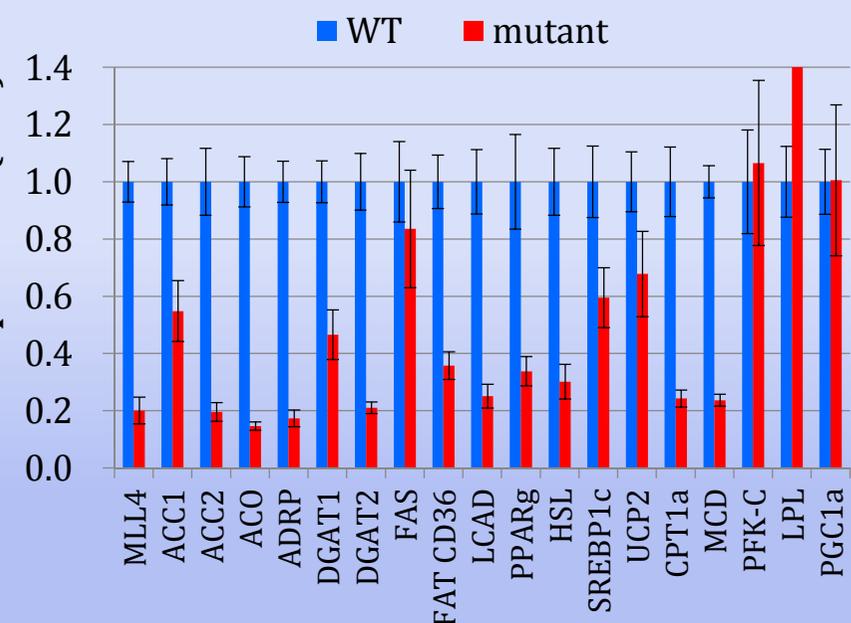
## 2) High-fat diet induced fatty liver



## 3) Body weight and Blood glucose

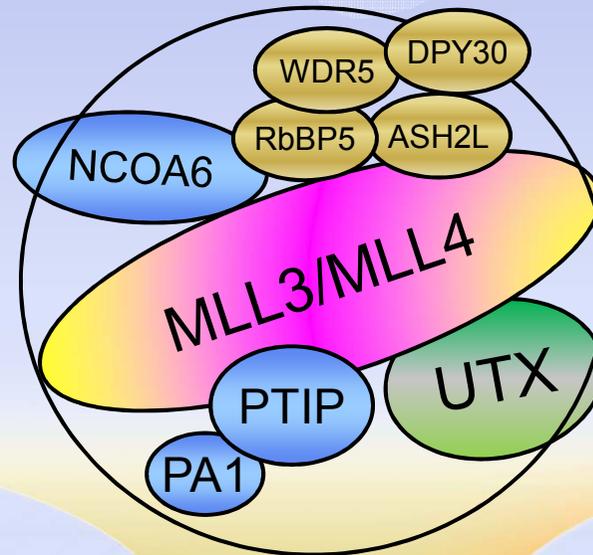


## 4) mRNA expression



# A new therapeutic target for metabolic disease

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**New drugs**



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# SET1 & SET1-Like Complexes

Yeast Set1 Complex	hSet1 Complex	MLL Complex	MLL2 Complex	MLL3/MLL4 Complex	
Set1	hSet1	MLL	MLL2	MLL3 & MLL4	HMT with SET domain
Bre2	ASH2L	ASH2L	ASH2L	ASH2L	Common subunits
Swd1	RBBP5	RBBP5	RBBP5	RBBP5	
Swd3	WDR5	WDR5	WDR5	WDR5	
Sdc1	hDPY30	hDPY30	hDPY30	hDPY30	
Swd2	hSwd2	-	-	-	
Spp1	CXXC1	-	-	-	Distinct subunits
	HCF1	Menin	Menin	NCOA6	
		HCF1		PTIP & PA1	
				UTX	H3K4 HMT activity
+++	+++	+++	+++	+++	

# Histone Lysine Methylations

## Methyltransferases

ASH1				
SET1A	SUV39H1			
SET1B	SUV39H2			
MLL1	G9a			
MLL2	EuHMTase			
<b>MLL3</b>	SETDB1		SET2	
<b>MLL4</b>	CLL8		NSD1	
MLL5	RIZ1	EZH2	SMYD2	DOT1L

ART**K**QTAR**K**STGGKAPRKQLATKAAR**K**SAPATGGV**K**PH...**K**...

4                      9                                      27                                      36                      79

**H3**

LSD1	LSD1/AR	<b>UTX</b>	JHDM1a	?
SMCX	JHDM2a	JMJD3	JHDM1b	
SMCY	JHDM2b		JMJD2A	
RBP2	JMJD2A		JMJD2B	
PLU-1	JMJD2B		JMJD2C	
	JMJD2C			
	JMJD2D			

## Demethylases