



Gene ontology analysis of protein-coding mRNAs with exonized ALU repeats and potential targets of ALU-derived microRNAs

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Composition of the human genome



Repetitive sequences that shape the human transcriptome. A Jasinska and WJ Krzyzosiak FEBS Lett, June 1, 2004; 567(1): 136-41

Copy number of mobile elements in the human genome (millions)



By Deininger PL and Batzer MA Mammalian Retroelements // Genome Res., Oct 2002; 12: 1455 - 1465.

Architecture of Alu elements



Hasler, J. et al. Nucl. Acids Res. 2006 34:5491-5497

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Batzer M. et al. J.Mol.Evol (1996)

Potential functional roles of ALUs in introns

 Up to 33% of the total number of CpG sites in the genome are found within SINE.
Alus have been reported to be highly methylated in most somatic tissues.
Alus demethylation occurs in aging and cancer and is associated with gene reactivation ad genomic instability [Rodriguez et al, 2008]

 Alus are carriers of different TF binding sites (nuclear factors, hormones, calcium nuclear factors and others) [by Polak, Domany, 2006]

Putative transcription factor binding sites found along *Alu-consensus sequence*



TF score cutoff =85% http://asp.ii.uib.no:8090/cgi-bin/CONSITE/consite 290

Exonization of intronic Alu elements



Hasler, J. et al. Nucl. Acids Res. 2006 34:5491-5497

Potential functional roles of exonized ALUs

\rightarrow Transcriptome diversity and versatility

- All Alu-derived exons were found to be alternatively spliced [Sorek et al, 2002]. Alus are present in one or several (but not all) splice isoforms.
- Alternative mRNAs polyadenylation within exonized Alus lead to the expression of transcripts with different UTR in different tissues [Chen et al, 2009].
- Transcripts with Alus undergo adenosine-toinosine (A-to-I) RNA editing in multiple sites [Barak et al, 2009].

A-to-l editing in Alu elements



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Potential functional roles of exonized ALUs

→Antisense-mediated control of gene expression (miRNA targets)

 The majority of the Alus in 3'UTRs of analyzed human genes were found to carry strong potential target sites for different miRNAs [Smallheiser, 2006], [Daskalova et al, 2006].

Alus contributed to growth of cluster of miRNAs that are predicted to target free Alu transcripts and to prevent catastrophic or self-destructive intensities of Alu retroposition. So co-evolution between Human MicroRNAs and Alu-Repeats could occur [Lehnert, 2009]

Schematic outline of miRNA biogenesis



□ transcription of miRNAs genes \rightarrow *pri*-miRNAs

□ pri-miRNAs processing by Drosha \rightarrow pre-miRNAs

pre-miRNA export from nucleus

□ pre-miRNA processing by Dicer \rightarrow mature miRNA (~22 nt)

miRNA integration as single strand in RNA-induced silencing complex (RISC).

□ Targeting RISC by miRNAs to specific mRNAs by partial or full complementary binding

Translation arrest

Umbach J L , Cullen B R Genes Dev. 2009;23:1151-1164

Study design

Search for genes with exonized ALUs by BLAST of Aluconsensus vis Refseq with certain search options

Set of genes with exonized ALUs

Search for ALU-derived miRNAs by TranspoMicrogene

Prediction of miRNAs targets by selected tools

Set of predicted miRNAs targets

Gene ontology analysis of each gene set, comparison of gene sets

BLAST (NCBI) search http://blast.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/Blast.cgi

Search parameters:

ALU-consensus (query length 290) vis RefSeq (mRNA) in human genome

E<1e-50; program: megablast

search is **limited** to records matching entrez query: mRNA NOT 'open reading frame' NOT predicted NOT kiaa NOT clone NOT non-coding AND txid9606 [ORGN].

BLAST results: 2103 hits (2103 transcripts of 1416 protein-coding and 1 RNA-coding genes with known GO annotation)

equences producing significant alignments:						
Accession	Description	Max score				
<u>NM 001037165.1</u>	Homo sapiens forkhead box K1 (FOXK1), mRNA	<u>457</u>				
<u>NM 002985.2</u>	Homo sapiens chemokine (C-C motif) ligand 5 (CCL5), mRNA	<u>448</u>				
<u>NM 000202.5</u>	Homo sapiens iduronate 2-sulfatase (IDS), transcript variant 1, mRNA	<u>444</u>				
<u>NM 001146214.1</u>	Homo sapiens TBC1 domain family, member 15 (TBC1D15), transcript variant 2, mRNA	<u>440</u>				
<u>NM 001146213.1</u>	Homo sapiens TBC1 domain family, member 15 (TBC1D15), transcript variant 3, mRNA	<u>440</u>				
<u>NM 022771.4</u>	Homo sapiens TBC1 domain family, member 15 (TBC1D15), transcript variant 1, mRNA	<u>440</u>				
<u>NM 001080480.1</u>	Homo sapiens membrane bound O-acyltransferase domain containing 1 (MBOAT1), mRNA	<u>440</u>				
<u>NM 001171661.1</u>	Homo sapiens cytochrome b5 reductase 3 (CYB5R3), transcript variant 4, mRNA	<u>433</u>				
<u>NM 001171660.1</u>	Homo sapiens cytochrome b5 reductase 3 (CYB5R3), transcript variant 5, mRNA	<u>433</u>				
<u>NM 000398.6</u>	Homo sapiens cytochrome b5 reductase 3 (CYB5R3), transcript variant 1, mRNA	<u>433</u>				
<u>NM 007326.4</u>	Homo sapiens cytochrome b5 reductase 3 (CYB5R3), transcript variant 2, mRNA	<u>433</u>				
<u>NM 001129819.2</u>	Homo sapiens cytochrome b5 reductase 3 (CYB5R3), transcript variant 3, mRNA	<u>433</u>				
NM 002898.3	Homo sapiens RNA binding motif, single stranded interacting protein 2 (RBMS2), mRNA	<u>433</u>				
<u>NM 020728.2</u>	Homo sapiens extended synaptotagmin-like protein 2 (ESYT2), mRNA	<u>431</u>				
NM 015035.3	Homo sapiens zinc fingers and homeoboxes 3 (ZHX3), mRNA	<u>431</u>				
<u>NM 032043.2</u>	Homo sapiens BRCA1 interacting protein C-terminal helicase 1 (BRIP1), mRNA	<u>429</u>				
NM 181708.2	Homo sapiens BCDIN3 domain containing (BCDIN3D), mRNA	<u>429</u>				
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Pre-microRNA structurally derived from ALUs

(by microTranspogene database:

http://transpogene.tau.ac.il/cgi-bin/tg/alugene/microTranspogene.pl)

Pre-microRNA	Strand	Pre-microRNA	TE
positions			
chr3:50185763- 50185856	+	hsa-mir-566	AluSg (Class SINE, Alu family)
chr12:107754813- 107754911	-	hsa-mir-619	L1MC4 (LINE, L1 family), AluSx (Class SINE, Alu family)
chr22:19718465- 19718561	-	hsa-mir-649	L1M4 (LINE, L1 family), MER8 (DNA, MER2_type family), AluSx (Class SINE, Alu family)

hsa-mir-566

HGNC:MIR566

Homo sapiens miR-566 stem-loop

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hsa-mir-619

HGNC:MIR619

Homo sapiens miR-619 stem-loop

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hsa-mir-649

HGNC:MIR649

Homo sapiens miR-649 stem-loop

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http://www.mirbase.org/ search.shtml

"The colorectal microRNAome" Cummins JM et al. Proc Natl Acad Sci 103:3687-3692 (2006).

Target prediction for ALUs derived miRNAs

Tool	Update	Algorithms
microRNA.org	2008	1 (miRanda)
Targetscan	2009	1 (Targetscan)
PicTar	2007	1 (PicTar)
Magia	2010	3 (PITA, Target-scan, miRanda)
miRror	2010	12 (в т.ч PITA, Targetscan, miRanda)
DIANA microT v3.0	2010	12
miRWalk	2010	8 (в т.ч. PITA, Targetscan, Diana, miRanda, Pictar)
RSSF/miRNA target search	2009	Perfect seed match (at least 7nt)
ncRNAppi	2008	1 (Jaccard index)
EIMMo3	2009	1 EIMMo

http://www.ma.uniheidelberg.de/apps/zmf/**mirwalk**/mirnapredictedtarget.php

MicroRNAs Predicted Targets in mRNA 3' UTR Region Produced by miRWalk and Other Programs

Note : The below table displays all putative miRNA sites produced by both miRWalk and other programs i.e. contains all the putative targets of other programs (3rd party algorithms).

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	MicroRNA	Gene	DIANAmT	miRanda	miRDB	miRWalk	PICTAR4	PICTAR5	PITA	RNA22	RNAhybrid	Targets	can SUM	
	<u>hsa-miR-619</u>	<u>GLCCI1</u>	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	6	
ĺ	<u>hsa-miR-649</u>	JAG1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	6	
Ì	<u>hsa-miR-649</u>	KIN	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	6	
Ī	<u>hsa-miR-649</u>	RAB6IP1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	6	
Ī	<u>hsa-miR-649</u>	HEY2	0	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	6	
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290	7 hsa-miR-619	AMMECR1		0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	3
290	8 hsa-miR-649	USP15		0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	3
290	9 hsa-miR-619	SLC23A2		0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	3
291	0 hsa-miR-566	THRAP3		0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	0	3
291	1 hsa-miR-649	MED13		0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	3
291	2 hsa-miR-619	CDC34		0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	3
291	3 hsa-miR-649	SLC12A6		0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	3
291	4 hsa-miR-619	ROD1		0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	3
291	5 hsa-miR-566			0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	2
291	6 hsa-miR-649	CDH2		0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	2
291	7 hsa-miR-619	AKT3		0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
291	8 hsa-miR-566	MED6		0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
291	9 hsa-miR-619	NR2E3		0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2
292	0 hsa-miR-649	GNPDA1		0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
202	1 hsa-miR-649	KCNE3		0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2

Gene sets comparison by Visual Basic macros for Excel (Find_Matches)

	А	B	С	D
1	A2ML1		<u>A4GALT</u>	
2	AAK1		ABCC4	
3	AARSD1		ABHD14B	
4	AASS		ABHD2	
5	ABCB5		ABHD8	
6	ABHD1		ABRA	
7	ABHD11		ACAD9	
8	ABHD15		ACBD3	
9	ABL2		ACCN1	
10	ACACB		ACSBG1	
11	ACBD4		ACSF3	
12	ACBD7		ACSS2	
13	ACOT13		ADAM11	
14	ACOX1		ADAM8	
15	ACTR10		ADAMDEC1	
16	ADAMTS17	ADAMTS17	ADAIvITS1	
17	ADAMTS2		ADAMTS17	
18	ADAMTS4		ALAMTS19	
19	ADAT1		ALCY6	
20	ADCY1		<u>ADM</u>	
21	ADCY6	ADCY6	ADM2	
22	ADIPOQ		ADPRHL2	
23	ADRA1A		AGBL2	
24	ADRBK2		AGTRAP	
25	AFMID		AHCY	

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	ADCY6
	AKAP5
	ANGEL2
	ARFIP2
	ASB6
	ASB6
	ATP1B4
	ATP1B4
	ATXN3
	BDH1
	C1QTNF3
1	CA5B
	CBFA2T2
	CC2D1B
	CCDC113
	CCL22
	CCRN4L
	CDKN2AIPNL
	CHP
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http://support.microsoft.com/kb/213367/ru

GO enrichments analysis

GO- enrichment tool	URL	Ref/ Update
GOrilla	http://cbl-gorilla.cs.technion.ac.il/	2009
Genecodis	http://genecodis.dacya.ucm.es/analysis/	2009
GOTree machine (WebGestalt2)	http://bioinfo.vanderbilt.edu/webgestalt/option.php	2010
GOToolBox	http://genome.crg.es/GOToolBox/	2009
GOStat	http://gostat.wehi.edu.au/cgi-bin/goStat.pl	2009

Gorilla

mRNAs with ALUs in UTR	Targets of hsa-miR-566, hsa-	133 identical matches
	miR-619, hsa-miR-649	
ATP biosynthetic process	ATP biosynthetic process	regulation of cyclic
DNA catabolic process	ATP metabolic process	nucleotide biosynthetic
ribonucleotide biosynthetic	integrin-mediated signaling	process
process	pathway	regulation of cAMP
heterocycle metabolic process	proteolysis	biosynthetic process
multicellular organismal process	developmental process	regulation of cAMP
oxidation reduction	plasma membrane organization	metabolic process
proton transport	metalloendopeptidase activity	
signal transduction	ATPase activity, coupled to	No enrichment in function
cell morphogenesis	transmembrane movement of	and component
hydrolase activity	ions	
receptor binding	hydrolase activity	
transmembrane transporter	ligase activity, forming carbon-	
activity	sulfur bonds	
cytokine activity	intrinsic to membrane	
extracellular region	plasma membrane	
plasma membrane		

Genecodis

mRNAs with ALUs in UTR	Targets of hsa-miR-566, hsa-	133 identical matches
(1417)	miR-619, hsa-miR-649 (1205)	
regulation of transcription,	protein binding (MF)	No enrichment for
DNA-dependent (BP)	nucleus (CC)	process
protein amino acid	cytoplasm (CC)	
phosphorylation (BP)	membrane (CC)	Function:
transmembrane transport (BP)	metal ion binding (MF)	protein binding (MF)
metal ion binding (MF)	nervous system development	
zinc ion binding (MF)	(BP)	Cellular component:
protein binding (MF)	nucleotide binding (MF)	intracellular (CC)
DNA binding (MF)	regulation of transcription,	mitochondrial inner
hydrolase activity (MF)	DNA-dependent (BP)	membrane (CC)
nucleus (CC)	Golgi apparatus (CC)	nucleus (CC)
membrane (CC)	mitochondrion (CC)	Golgi apparatus (CC)
endosome membrane (CC)		membrane raft (CC)
Golgi apparatus (CC)		

GOStat

mRNAs with ALUs in UTR	Targets of hsa-miR-566, hsa-miR-619, hsa-miR-649	133 identical matches
Intracellular membrane-	Cytoplasm	Intracellular membrane-bound
bound organelle	Protein binding	organelle
Nucleus	Membrane part	Mitochondrial membrane
Protein binding	Developmental process	Developmental process
Biological regulation	Cell differentiation	Golgi apparatus
Membrane	Plasma membrane	Regulation of cellular process
Golgi apparatus		Signal transduction
Developmental process		
Metal ion binding		
Cell differentiation		
Endosomes		





- Both miRNAs targets prediction and GO enrichment analysis are highly dependent on bioinformatics tool selected.
- Rather low number of identical matches within 2 gene sets (about 10%) was revealed. So ALU-derived miRNAs binding can't be considered the main regulatory mechanism for genes with exonized ALUs.
- All 3 set of genes investigated are associated with signal transduction, regulation of developmental processes, protein binding, nucleus and Golgi apparatus location.
- Genes with exonized ALUs are specifically linked with phosphorylation and hydrolysis metabolic reactions; metal ion binding, exocytosis and intracellular membrane location of encoded proteins.
- Genes that are targets for ALUs-derived miRNAs are specifically GO enriched for proteolysis and peptidase activity, cytoplasm and plasma membrane.