# XPF-TOP2B interact to facilitate R-loop-mediated DNA looping and transcription activation

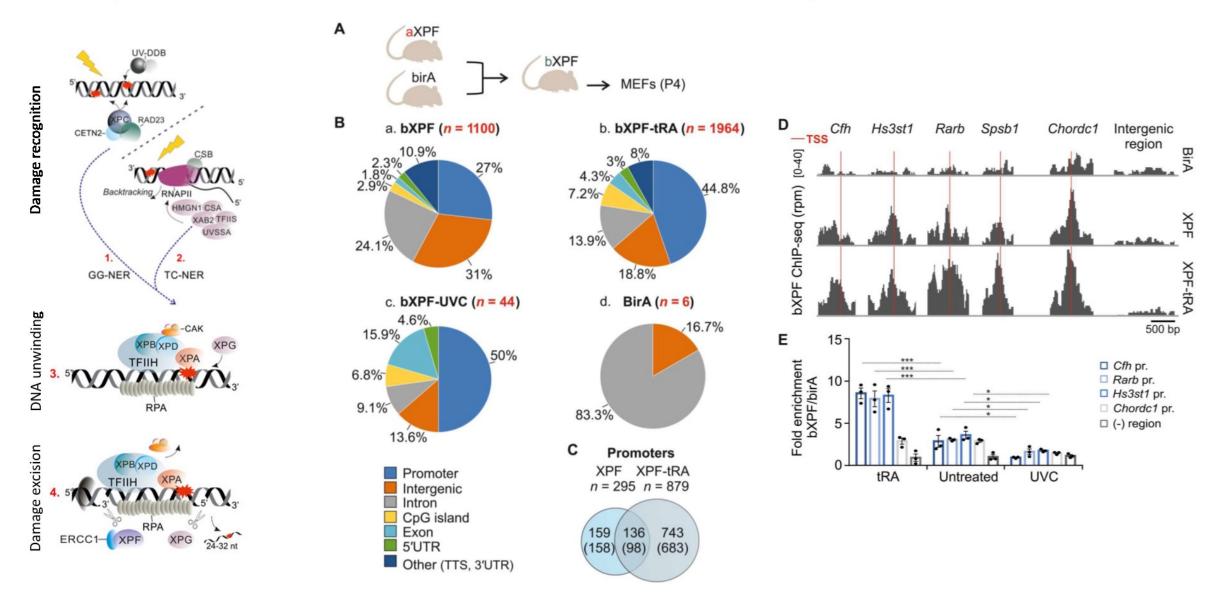
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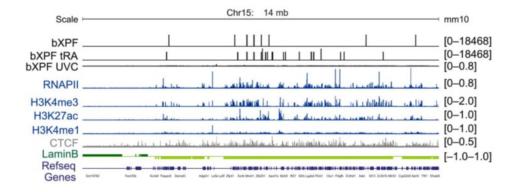


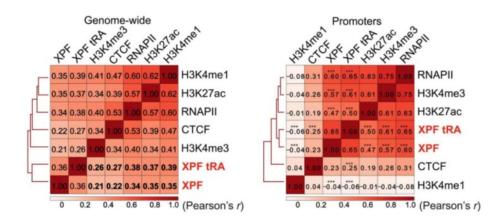
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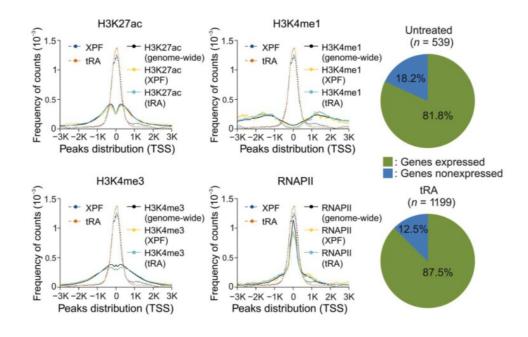


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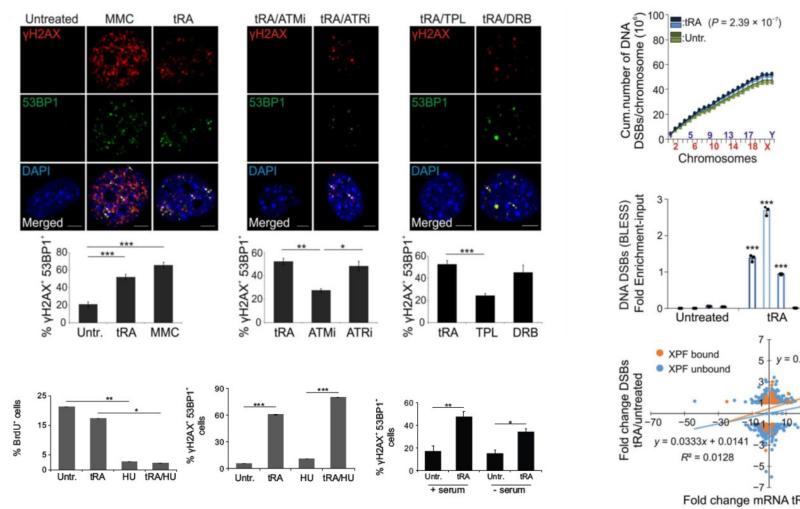
## XPF recruitment on DNA coincides with RNAPII and active histone PTMs

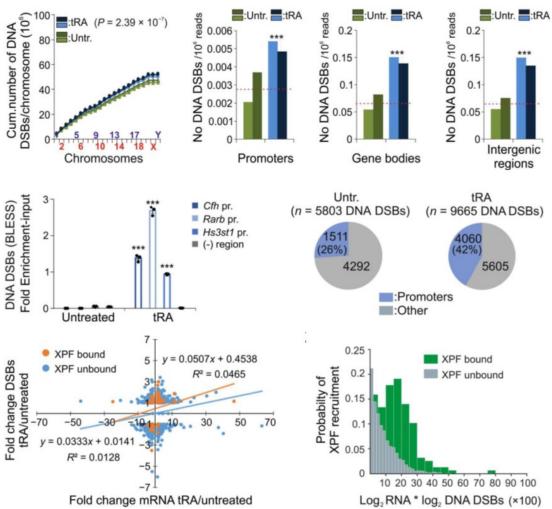




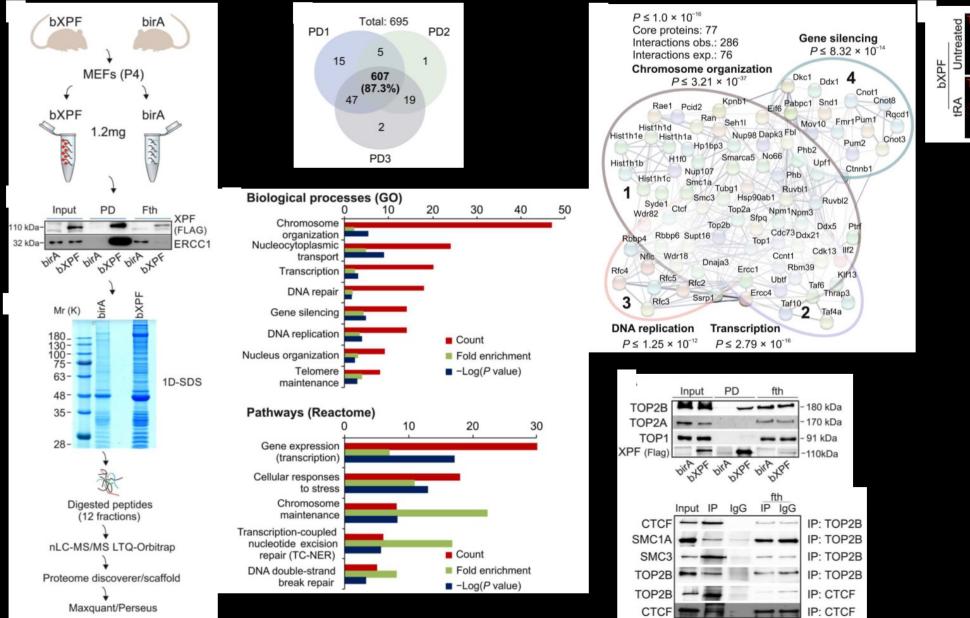


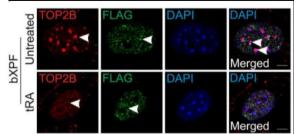
# XPF is preferentially recruited to transcription-associated DNA breaks on promoters

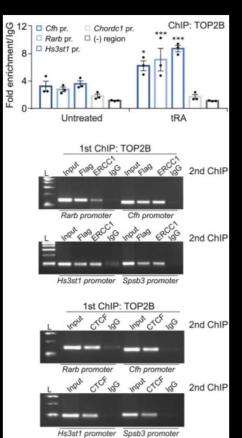




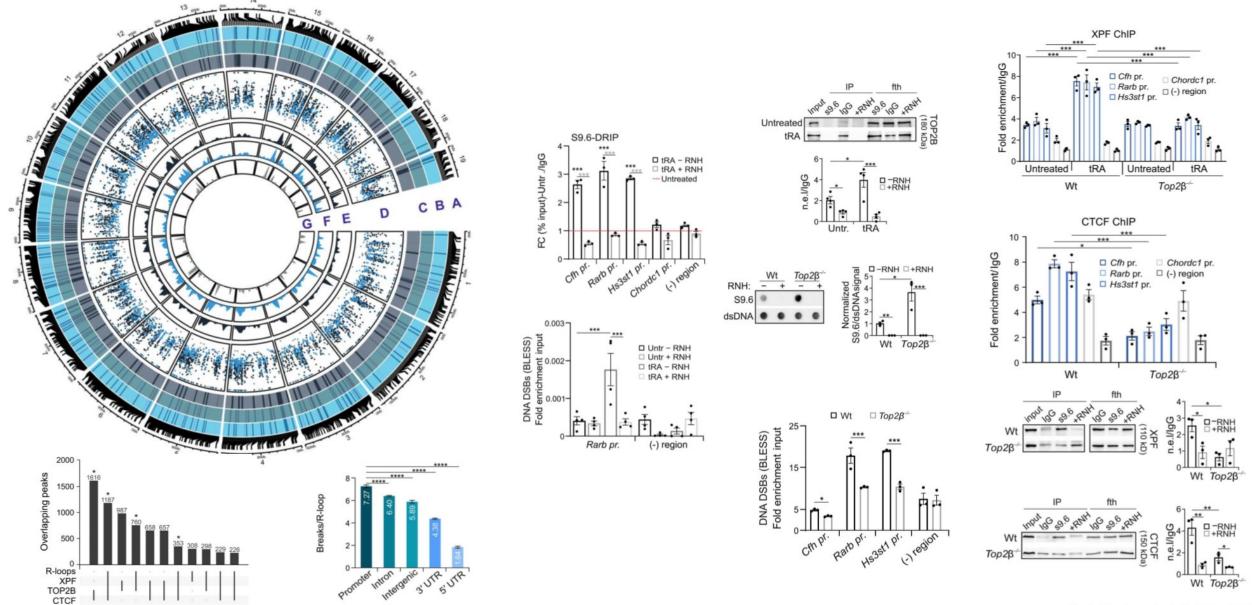
## XPF-bound protein partners involved in chromosome organization, transcription and DNA repair



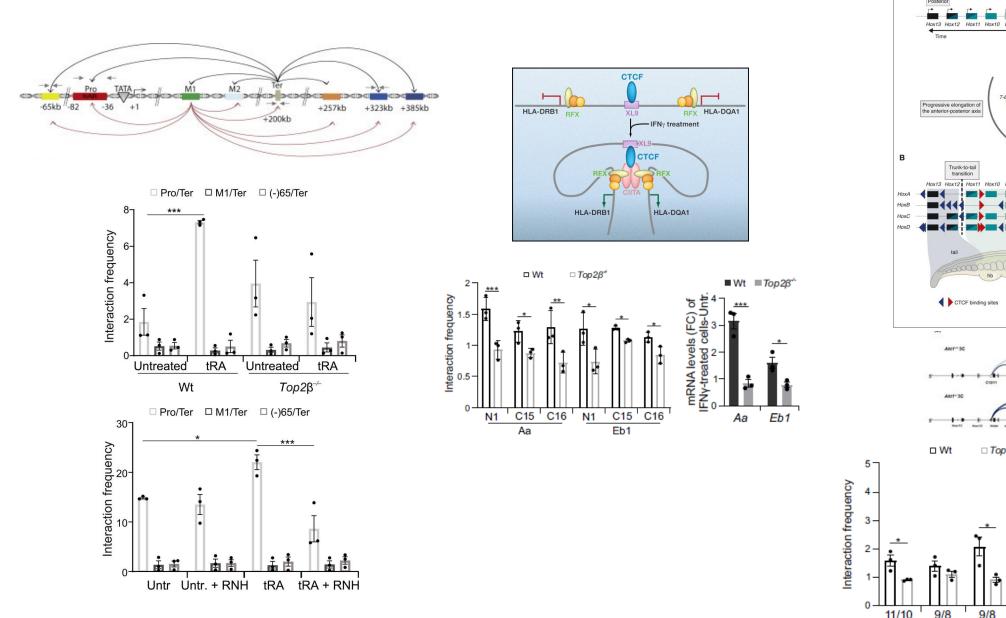


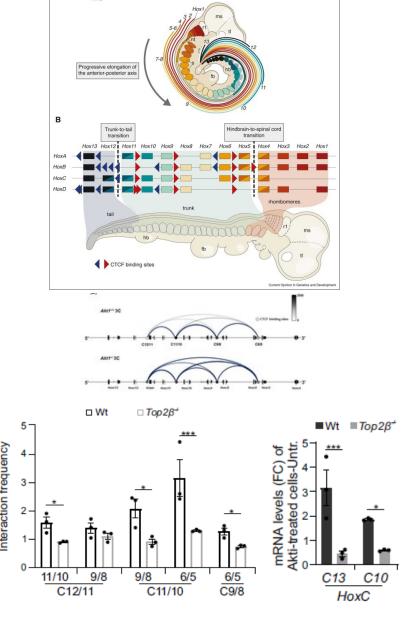


# XPF processes transcription-associated R-loops in a TOP2B-dependent manner



## R-loop processing is essential for CTCF-mediated DNA looping and transcription activation





## XPF interacts with TOP2B for R-loop processing and DNA looping on actively transcribed genes

- > XPF and TOP2B interact on active gene promoters
- > XPF and TOP2B facilitate R-loop processing on the promoters of actively transcribed genes
- ➤ Abrogation of TOP2B leads to diminished XPF and CTCF binding on the promoters and on R-loops
- > R-loop processing is essential for CTCF-mediated DNA looping and transcription activation







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