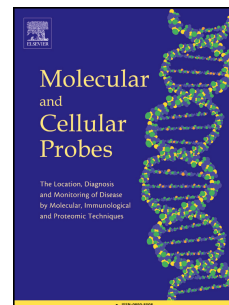


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11 **Abstract**

12 OGG1 is the first enzyme in the base excision repair pathway (BER) responsible for
13 repairing 8-oxoguanine DNA lesions. Recent studies found that OGG1 may also be
14 involved in epigenetic regulation. In this study, we focused on the roles of OGG1 in
15 histone modification. First, to study the effects of OGG1 on histone modification, the
16 protein levels of symmetric dimethylation of histone H4 arginine-3 (H4R3me2s) were
17 determined by western blot analysis following the knockdown or overexpression of
18 OGG1. Second, the molecular mechanisms by which OGG1 regulates H4R3me2s
19 were assessed by co-immunoprecipitation (CO-IP) assays in mouse embryonic
20 fibroblast (MEF) wild-type (WT) and *Ogg*^{-/-} cells. Finally, to verify the regulation of
21 H4R3me2s by OGG1 on specific genes, chromatin immunoprecipitation (CHIP) was
22 performed on MEF WT and *Ogg*^{-/-} cells. We found that OGG1 affects PRMT5
23 binding on histone H4 and the formation of H4R3me2s via PRMT5. The methylation
24 level of H4R3me2s was dramatically decreased in MEF *Ogg*^{-/-} cells compared to WT
25 cells. Knockdown of OGG1 by siRNA led to a decrease in H4R3me2s, while
26 overexpression of OGG1 increased the level of H4R3me2s. OGG1 also interacted
27 with PRMT5 and histone H4, and the interaction between PRMT5 and histone H4
28 was reduced in MEF *Ogg*^{-/-} cells. Our data not only illustrate the important roles of
29 OGG1 in histone modification, but also reveal the mechanism by which OGG1 affects
30 PRMT5 binding on H4R3 resulting in the symmetrical dimethylation of histone H4
31 arginine-3.

32 **Key words:** OGG1, PRMT5, H4R3me2s, Arginine methylation

33 1. Introduction

34 Arginine methylation is a type of post-translational modification catalyzed by
35 PRMTs, a family of protein arginine methyltransferases. The forms of methylation of
36 arginine are mono (me1), asymmetrical (me2a), and symmetrical (me2s) [1-3]. Many
37 previous studies have focused on the dimethylation of arginine-3 in histone H4 due to
38 its important roles in the regulation of gene expression [4-6]. The symmetrical
39 dimethylation on arginine-3 of histone H4 (H4R3me2s) catalyzed by PRMT5 has
40 been reported to be involved in gene silencing [7-13]. H4R3me2s is also related to
41 DNA methylation by interacting with DNMT3A [7]. However, the asymmetrical
42 dimethylation on arginine-3 of histone H4 (H4R3me2a) catalyzed by PRMT1 is
43 associated with transcriptional activation [14, 15]. Recent studies have demonstrated
44 that PRMT5-mediated H4R3me2s uniquely marks chromatin, mostly at G+C-rich
45 regions, in the mouse genome, including imprinting control regions (ICRs) [16].
46 Protein arginine methyltransferase 5 (PRMT5) is a type II arginine methyltransferase
47 which is involved in gene silencing by catalyzing the symmetrical dimethylation of
48 H4R3, H2AR3, and H3R8 [4, 12, 17]. PRMT5 often plays an important role in
49 chromatin remodeling [18]. In human K562 cells, H4R3me2s catalyzed by PRMT5
50 serves as a direct binding target for DNMT3A, and H4R3me2s is required for
51 subsequent DNA methylation. H4R3me2s also acts as a direct linker between DNA
52 methylation and histone modification [7]. PRMT5 has some co-regulators: FCP1 and
53 FGF-2 are genuine substrates of the PRMT5 methylation function *in vivo* and *in vitro*,
54 and FCP1, which forms a complex with PRMT5, is important for PRMT5-mediated

55 methylation [19, 20]. Blimp1, a transcriptional repressor, also interacts with PRMT5
56 and serves as a novel transcriptional regulatory complex affecting chromosomal
57 conformation in the mouse germ-cell lineage [21, 22]. The Krüppel-like zinc finger
58 protein ZNF224 recruits PRMT5 as a transcriptional repressor complex on H4R3 of
59 the L-type aldolase A promoter region [23].

60 8-Oxoguanine-DNA glycosylase (OGG1) is an important enzyme involved in the
61 base excision repair (BER) pathway [24]. In mammalian cells, OGG1 is crucial for
62 preventing mutagenesis [25, 26]. Compared with wild-type (WT) mice, *Ogg1*-null
63 mice have higher rates of cancer due to the accumulation of mutagenic DNA lesions
64 [27]. Recent studies have shown that OGG1 not only plays a role in the BER pathway,
65 but is also involved in the regulation of gene expression and histone modification. For
66 example, cytosolic OGG1 responds to excessive 8-oxoG and activates small GTPases
67 and downstream signaling pathways, resulting in changes in gene expression [25, 28,
68 29]. In human cells, LSD1 induces the demethylation of H3K9me₂, resulting in the
69 recruitment of OGG1 and topoisomerase II β to the *bcl-2* or *pS2* promoters which, in
70 turn, trigger conformational changes in chromatin and DNA [30]. The inhibition of
71 LSD1 and OGG1 could significantly reduce the transcription of Myc-target genes by
72 affecting lysine 4 in histone H3 [31]. OGG1 is also involved in androgen
73 receptor-dependent expression by demethylating H3K4me₂ [32].

74 To examine the relationship between OGG1 and histone modification, we
75 investigated the effects of OGG1 on the methylation levels of H3K9 and H4R3. We
76 found that OGG1 interacts with PRMT5 and histone H4. We also determined that

77 OGG1 affects PRMT5 binding to histone H4 and induces the symmetrical
78 dimethylation on arginine-3 of histone H4.

79 **2. Materials and methods**

80 *2.1 Cell culture*

81 An Ogg1 null cell line was kindly supplied by Professor Zhigang Guo (Nanjing
82 normal university, Nanjing). MEF WT, MEF Ogg1 null cells and HeLa cells were
83 cultured in DMEM basic (GIBCO) containing 10% (v/v) foetal cattle Serum, 100
84 µg/ml penicillin/streptomycin mixtures at 37°C with 5% CO₂.

85 *2.2 Plasmid*

86 Full-length human Ogg1 cDNA was inserted into the EcoR I and BamH I sites of
87 the pcDNA3.1 (-) vector (Invitrogen). The resulting expression vector was denoted as
88 pcDNA3.1-OGG1. The primers used to construct this plasmid are listed in the Table
89 1.

90 *2.3 Real-time quantitative PCR (qRT-PCR) analysis*

91 Primers for Ogg1, Pcsk9, Hspb1 and Polq were synthesized using Primer Bank
92 (pga.mgh.harvard.edu/primerbank). Primers for actin beta (Actb) were used as an
93 internal control. Primer information for the qRT-PCR is also available in the Table 1.

94 *2.4 Western blot analysis*

95 Cells were lysed with RIPA lysis buffer (P0013B, beyotime, China) and 1 mM
96 PMSF (ST506, beyotime, China). Protein concentration of cell lysate was determined
97 by the BCA method (Pierce, Rockford, USA). Ten micrograms of total protein per
98 sample was loaded onto sodium dodecylsulfate polyacrylamide gel electrophoresis

99 (SDS–PAGE) at 100 V for 3-4 h and transferred to PVDF membrane at 300 mA for 90
100 min (Version8, Roche, USA) using an electro-blotting method. After incubating in
101 blocking buffer [PBST with 1% (w/v) BSA (A7030, Sigma)] for 1 h, membranes were
102 incubated with rabbit polyclonal antibody for OGG1 (ab135940, Abcam, USA), rabbit
103 monoclonal antibody for histone H3 (ab176842, Abcam, USA), rabbit polyclonal
104 antibody for H3K9me1 (ab9045 Abcam, USA), mouse polyclonal antibody for
105 H3K9me2 (ab1220 Abcam, USA), rabbit polyclonal antibody for H3K9me3 (ab8898
106 Abcam, USA), rabbit polyclonal antibody for H3R17me1 (ab194698, Abcam, USA),
107 rabbit polyclonal antibody for H4R3me1 (ab17339 Abcam, USA), rabbit polyclonal
108 antibody for H4R3me2a (ab194683 Abcam, USA), rabbit polyclonal antibody for
109 H4R3me2s (ab5823 Abcam, USA), rabbit polyclonal antibody for PRMT5 (ab31751
110 Abcam, USA) or rabbit polyclonal antibody for H4 (ab10158 Abcam, USA) at 4 °C
111 for 12 h. After primary antibodies were used, the membranes were washed before
112 Horseradish Peroxidase (HRP)-conjugated Goat anti-rabbit IgG second-antibody
113 (sc-2030, Santa Cruz, USA) or Rabbit anti-mouse IgG second-antibody (ab6728
114 Abcam, USA) was added for 1 h at room temperature and washed again. The
115 membranes were visualized with an ECL Western blot detection kit (NC15080,
116 Thermo). The TBB5 (Cat#AM1031A, Abgent, China) protein level was also
117 examined as an internal control.

118 2.5 Immunoprecipitation assay

119 Cell extracts were diluted with IP buffer (50 mM Tris–HCl pH 8.0, 100 mM
120 NaCl, 5 mM MgCl₂, 1% Triton X-100). Antibodies were incubated with protein A/G

121 agarose (SC2003, Santa Cruz, USA) in advance and then added to the diluted cell
122 extract. After an overnight incubation, the beads were washed with IP buffer and the
123 immunoprecipitated proteins were analysed by western blotting. Normal rabbit IgG
124 (sc-2027, Santa Cruz, USA) or normal mouse IgG (sc-2025, Santa Cruz, USA) was
125 used as a negative control. The antibodies used were as follows: mouse monoclonal
126 antibody for OGG1 (sc-376935, Santa Cruz, USA) and rabbit polyclonal antibody for
127 PRMT5 (ab31751). Antibodies were used in the amount of 3 µg per IP.

128 *2.6 Chromatin immunoprecipitation (CHIP) assay*

129 Formaldehyde was added at a final concentration of 1% directly to media of
130 MEF WT and MEF OGG1 null cells. Fixation proceeded at room temperature for 10
131 min and was stopped by the addition of glycine to a final concentration of 0.125 M for
132 15 min. Cells were centrifuged and rinsed 3 times in cold PBS with 1 mM PMSF.
133 Then, cell nuclei were collected according to the manufacturer's protocol,
134 SimpleChIP Enzymatic CHIP Kit (#9002, Cell Signalling Technology, USA). Samples
135 were sonicated on ice with an Ultrasonics sonicator at setting 5 for six 10 s pulses to
136 an average chromatin length of approximately 300 to 800 bp. For the
137 immunoprecipitation, rabbit polyclonal antibodies for H4R3me2s (ab5823), rabbit
138 polyclonal antibody for PRMT5 (ab31751) were added in combination to the nuclear
139 sonicate. After the immunoprecipitation, the IP was eluted and the DNA was
140 recovered. DNA obtained from IP samples were quantified by qRT-PCR and
141 normalized to input DNA control samples. Primer information for the ChIP assay is
142 available in the Table 1.

143 *2.7 Statistics*

144 Data are presented as means \pm SEM. Significant differences were analysed by
145 independent student's tests using the SPSS software, version 16.0 (SPSS Inc.,
146 Chicago, IL, USA). P-values < 0.05 were considered to be statistically significant.

147 **3. Results**148 *3.1 OGG1 affects the methylation levels of histone H3 lysine-9 and histone H4*
149 *arginine-3*

150 To investigate the methylation levels of histone lysine or arginine affected by
151 OGG1, we performed western blot analysis in mouse embryonic fibroblast (MEF)
152 WT and *Ogg1*^{-/-} cells. The levels of H3K9me1, H3K9me2, H3K9me3, H4R3me1,
153 H4R3me2a, and H4R3me2s were dramatically decreased in *Ogg1*^{-/-} cells compared to
154 WT cells, while the level of histone H3, histone H4, and H3R17me1 did not differ
155 between WT and *Ogg1*^{-/-} cells (Fig. 1A and B). In this study, we focused on the
156 symmetric dimethylation levels of H4R3.

157 To further verify the role of OGG1 on H4R3me2s, we knocked down OGG1 in
158 HeLa cells using small interfering RNA (siRNA), and found that the symmetric
159 methylation levels of H4R3me2s were dramatically decreased compared to control
160 cells, while the overexpression of OGG1 in HeLa cells clearly increased the level of
161 H4R3me2s (Fig. 1C and D).

162 *3.2 OGG1 regulates the level of H4R3me2s by interacting with PRMT5 and histone*
163 *H4*

164 PRMT5 is the primary protein responsible for the symmetrical dimethylation of

165 histone H4 arginine-3 [7, 16]. To examine the molecular mechanism by which OGG1
166 participates in H4R3me2s formation, we performed a co-immunoprecipitation assay
167 in MEF cells. As shown in Figure 2A, the results indicated that OGG1 interacts with
168 PRMT5 *in vivo*. Co-immunoprecipitation assays were also performed to examine the
169 interaction between OGG1 and histone H4. OGG1 also interacts with H4 and
170 H4R3me1 (Fig. 2B and C), suggesting that OGG1 may act as a bridge between
171 PRMT5 and H4R3me2s formation. However, the protein level PRMT5 remained
172 unchanged following OGG1 knockout.

173 *3.3 The interaction between PRMT5 and histone H4 is reduced in OGG1-null cells*

174 To evaluate the effect of OGG1 on PRMT5 binding on histone H4, we performed
175 co-immunoprecipitation assays. In *Ogg1*-null cells, the interaction between PRMT5
176 and histone H4 was reduced. The interaction between PRMT5 and H4R3me1 was also
177 sharply reduced (Fig. 3A and B).

178 *3.4 Enrichment of H4R3me2s and PRMT5 on Pcsk9, Hspb1, and Polq promoters in* 179 *MEF WT and Ogg1^{-/-} cells*

180 To determine whether OGG1 affects the PRMT5 and H4R3me2s levels on a
181 specific gene, we compared gene expression profiles from *Ogg1^{-/-}* cell lines [33, 34].
182 Because H4R3me2s is enriched at G+C-rich regions in the mouse genome, we
183 screened three genes (*Pcsk9*, *Hspb1*, and *Polq*) whose expression was upregulated in
184 MEF *Ogg1^{-/-}* cells compared to WT cells and contain CpG islands in their promoters.
185 Results of quantitative real-time polymerase chain reaction (qRT-PCR) analysis
186 indicated that the expression of these genes was significantly increased in MEF *Ogg1^{-/-}*

187 ^{-/-} cells (Fig. 4A). Because PRMT5 was demonstrated to interact with OGG1 in cells,
188 we speculated that OGG1 may also coordinate with PRMT5 on the *Pcsk9*, *Hspb1*, or
189 *Polq* promoters. To determine whether OGG1 recruits PRMT5 to the *Pcsk9*, *Hspb1*,
190 or *Polq* promoters, we performed chromatin immunoprecipitation assays in MEF WT
191 and *Ogg1*^{-/-} cells. The results indicated a significant decrease of PRMT5 and
192 H4R3me2s enrichment on *Hspb1* and *Polq* CpG islands in MEF *Ogg1*^{-/-} cells
193 compared to WT cells (Fig. 4C and D). The absence of OGG1 indicates that PRMT5
194 recruitment to *Hspb1* or *Polq* CpG islands depends on OGG1. Taken together, these
195 results suggest that OGG1 interacts with PRMT5 to cause H4R3me2s formation at
196 CpG islands in the *Pcsk9*, *Hspb1*, or *Polq* promoter regions to regulate gene
197 expression.

198 **4. Discussion**

199 In this study, we found that OGG1 affects the formation of symmetric
200 dimethylation on arginine-3 of histone H4. Previous reports have demonstrated that
201 OGG1 is a damaged-base repair enzyme involved in the BER pathway. However, we
202 showed that OGG1 also serves as a linker for PRMT5 binding on histone H4 *in vivo*.
203 Indeed, we observed that the level of H4R3me2s was influenced by OGG1 (Fig. 1B–
204 D) and that OGG1 interacts with PRMT5 (Fig. 2A), the primary enzyme responsible
205 for converting H4R3 to H4R3me2s. However, PRMT5 binding to histone H4 was
206 reduced without OGG1 protein (Fig. 3A and B). We also found that OGG1 interacts
207 with histone H4 and H4R3me1 (Fig. 2B and C). Thus, we hypothesize that OGG1
208 might serve as a bridge between the arginine methylation signal and the initial

209 symmetric dimethylation of histone arginine-3.

210 H4R3me2s is mostly detected at ICRs and at intracisternal A particles in mouse
211 embryos [10, 35, 36], which are generally linked to gene repression (e.g., rDNA,
212 hemoglobin beta, and cyclin E1 genes) [7, 9, 30]. H4R3me2s is often catalyzed by
213 type II protein arginine methyltransferases (PRMT5, PRMT7, and PRMT9), which
214 control the symmetric dimethylation of H4R3, although the mechanism remains
215 unclear. PRMT5, PRMT7, and PRMT9 are regarded as type II protein arginine
216 methyltransferases [27]. PRMT5 was initially identified as a protein bound to Jak2
217 using a yeast two-hybrid system screen [17, 37]. PRMT5 plays critical roles in many
218 cellular processes and binds to two proteins in the cytoplasm, MEP50 and p1Cln [38,
219 39]. PRMT5 is mainly enriched in the cytoplasm in embryonic stem cells and rarely
220 in the nucleus [40]. However, in MEF cells, PRMT5 is readily detectable in the
221 nucleus, suggesting that in MEFs, PRMT5 targets histone H4 predominantly in the
222 nucleus [16]. Several co-regulatory factors regulate the activity of PRMT5. Previous
223 studies have demonstrated that a nuclear protein, COPR5, also acts as an important
224 chromatin adaptor for PRMT5 targeting to histone H4 [41]. MEP50, a CDK4
225 substrate, increases PRMT5 activity associated with cyclin D1-dependent neoplastic
226 growth [42]. RioK1 competes with p1Cln for binding and modulates PRMT5 complex
227 substrate specificity. BRD7 co-localizes with PRMT5 and PRC2 to recruit PRMT5,
228 which is involved in the transcriptional repression of their target genes [43, 44].
229 PRDM4 recruits PMRT5 to mediate histone arginine methylation and controls neural
230 stem cell proliferation and differentiation [45]. Recently, PRMT5 linked to silencing

231 of the human fetal globin gene was demonstrated to depend on a repressor complex
232 containing histone-modifying enzymes [46]. PRMT7 is similar to PRMT5, in that it
233 contains a monomethylarginine and symmetric dimethylarginine *in vitro* [40, 47, 48].
234 PRMT7 is highly expressed in embryonic stem cells and in male and female gonads.
235 In contrast, PRMT7 is poorly expressed in MEFs [49]. PRMT9 also acts as a type II
236 protein arginine methyltransferase, although its function remains undetermined [49,
237 50]. Some studies have demonstrated that PRMT5 controls the symmetric
238 dimethylation of histone 4 arginine-3, not PRMT7, in MEFs [40, 51, 52]. In this study,
239 we found that OGG1 regulates the level of H4R3me2s (Fig. 1C and D) by interacting
240 with PRMT5. The same results were observed in the CpG islands of the *Hspb1* and
241 *Polq* gene promoters following OGG1 depletion. The enrichment of PRMT5 and
242 H4R3me2s was significantly decreased (Fig. 4C and D). These results suggest that
243 OGG1 acts as a bridge for PRMT5 binding to histone H4.

244 **5. Conclusions**

245 The data presented in this study indicate that OGG1 not only plays important
246 roles in the BER pathway, but is also involved in the regulation of histone
247 modification. The tight correlation between OGG1 and PRMT5 suggests a model in
248 which OGG1 recruits PRMT5 to histone H4 and facilitates the conversion of H4R3 to
249 H4R3me2s. If there is a defect in the OGG1 gene, the binding of PRMT5 to H4R3
250 will be reduced.

251 **Abbreviations**

252 8-oxoguanine-DNA glycosylase (OGG1); base excision repair (BER); 8-oxoguanine

253 (8-oxoG); symmetric dimethylation of histone H4 arginine-3 (H4R3me2s);
254 asymmetrical dimethylation of histone H4 arginine-3 (H4R3me2a), protein arginine
255 methyltransferase 5 (PRMT5)

256 **Competing interests**

257 The authors declare that there is no conflict of interest.

258 **Authors' contributions**

259 Z.G., X.Z. and A.Z. conceived and designed the study project; X.Z., W.W. and C.D.
260 performed the experiments, X.Z., F.Y., S.Y. and H.W analyzed the data and prepared
261 the manuscript, Z.G. and A.Z. contributed to result discussion and data interpretation.
262 All authors read and approved the final manuscript.

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425 **Figure legends**

426 **Fig. 1 The methylation level of histone H4 arginine-3 is affected by OGG1.**

427 (A) The levels of histone H3, H3K9me1, H3K9me2, and H3K9me3 in mouse

428 embryonic fibroblast (MEF) wild-type (WT) and *Ogg1*^{-/-} cells were determined using

429 anti-H3, -H3K9me1, -H3K9me2, and -H3K9me3 antibodies. TBB5 was used as an

430 internal loading control. (B) The levels of H3R17me1, histone H4, H4R3me1,

431 H4R3me2s, and H4R3me2a in MEF WT and *Ogg1*^{-/-} cells were determined using

432 anti-H3R17me1, -H4, -H4R3me1, -H4R3me2s, and -H4R3me2a antibodies. TBB5

433 was used as an internal loading control. (C) Knockdown of OGG1 in HeLa cells by

434 siRNA. Cells were transfected with OGG1 siRNA or control scrambled siRNA

435 (scr-siRNA). Histone H4, OGG1 protein, and H4R3me2s levels were determined

436 using anti-H4, -OGG1, and -H4R3me2s antibodies. TBB5 was used as an internal

437 loading control. (D) HeLa cells were transfected with pcDNA3.1-OGG1 or the

438 control vector. Histone H4, OGG1 protein, and H4R3me2s levels were determined

439 using anti-H4, -OGG1, and -H4R3me2s antibodies. TBB5 was used as an internal

440 loading control.

441 **Fig. 2 OGG1 interacts with PRMT5 and histone H4 in MEFs.**

442 (A) PRMT5-immunoprecipitated samples were subjected to western blot analysis
443 using anti-OGG1 and -PRMT5 antibodies. (B) OGG1-immunoprecipitated samples
444 were subjected to western blot analysis using the anti-H4 antibody. (C)
445 OGG1-immunoprecipitated samples were subjected to western blot analysis using the
446 anti-H4Rme1 antibody. (D) PRMT5 protein level was determined using anti-PRMT5
447 and -H4 antibodies. TBB5 was used as an internal loading control.

448 **Fig. 3 Interaction between PRMT5 and histone 4 in MEF WT and *Ogg1*^{-/-} cells.**

449 (A) PRMT5-immunoprecipitated samples were subjected to western blot analysis
450 using the anti-H4 antibody in MEF WT and *Ogg1*^{-/-} cells. (B)
451 PRMT5-immunoprecipitated samples were subjected to western blot analysis using
452 the anti-H4R3me1 antibody in MEF WT and *Ogg1*^{-/-} cells.

453 **Fig. 4 Enrichment of PRMT5 and H4R3me2s on CpG islands of specific genes in**
454 **MEF WT and *Ogg1*^{-/-} cells.**

455 (A) *Ogg1*, *Pcsk9*, *Hspb1*, and *Polq* mRNA levels in MEF WT and *Ogg1*^{-/-} cells were
456 analyzed by qRT-PCR. (B–D) Chromatin immunoprecipitation was performed using
457 digested chromatin from MEF WT and *Ogg1*^{-/-} cells. Following immunoprecipitation
458 with anti-PRMT5 and -H4R3me2s antibodies, enrichment of the PRMT5- and
459 H4R3me2s-containing DNA sequences was quantified by qRT-PCR. Relative
460 amounts of the PRMT5- or H4R3me2s-containing DNA sequences compared to
461 *Pcsk9*, *Hspb1*, or *Polq* input in each group were calculated (n = 3/group). Normal

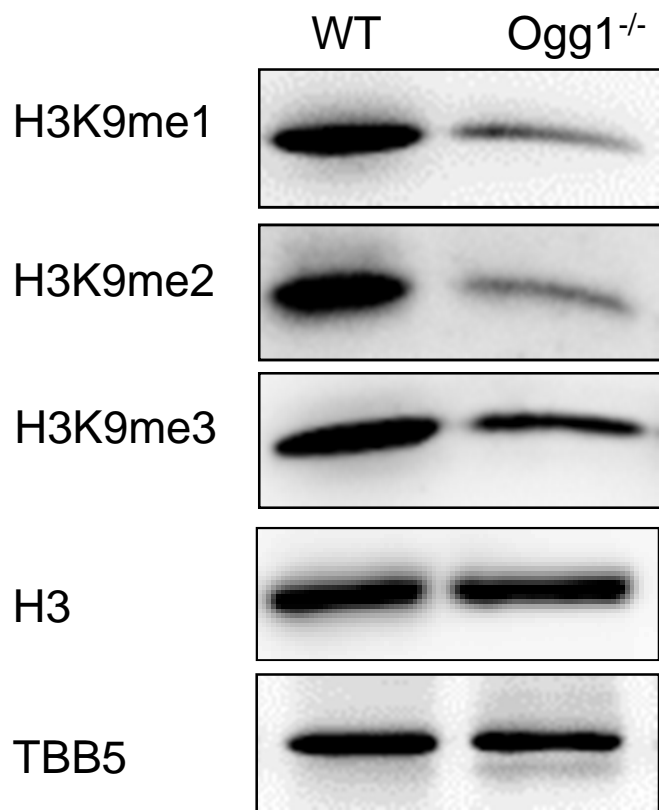
462 rabbit IgG was used as the negative control. Graphs show the mean \pm standard error
463 of the mean (SEM). Letters denote significant ($P < 0.05$) differences between values.

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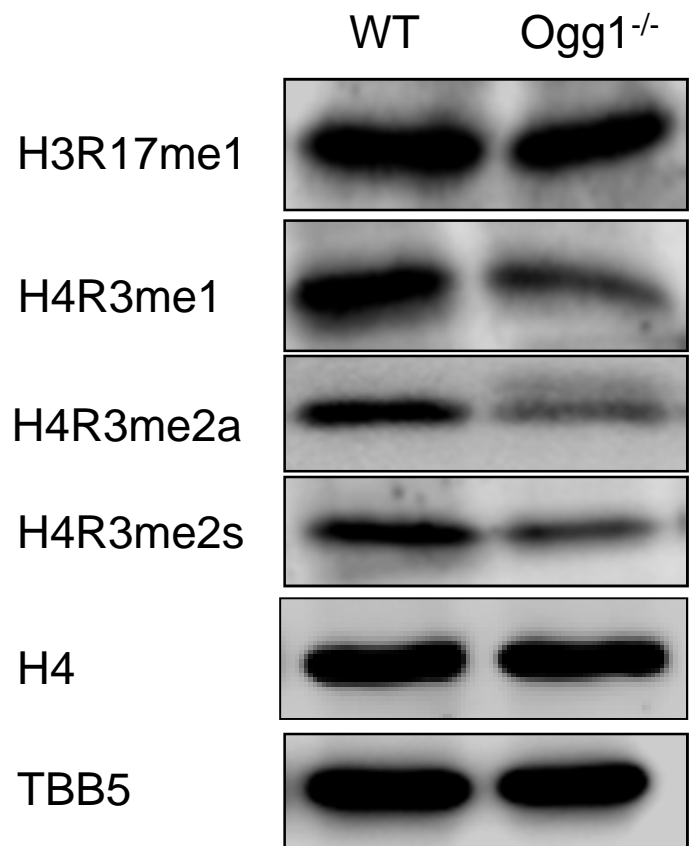
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(NC_000071.6)	R GACCACTCATCGGGCAACC	
<i>Polq</i>	F GTTCCGTCCCTCACCCTC	107
(NC_000082.6)	R ATCTTCCCGCCTCCATCT	
<i>Ogg1</i>	F CTGCCTAGCAGCATGAGACAT	180
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<i>Actb</i>	F GGCTGTATTCCCCTCCATCG	154
(NM_007393.5)	R CCAGTTGGTAACAATGCCATGT	
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	R CCGGGATCCTTACTTCGCCTGGGACGTG	
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	R ACGUGACACGUUCGGAGAATT	
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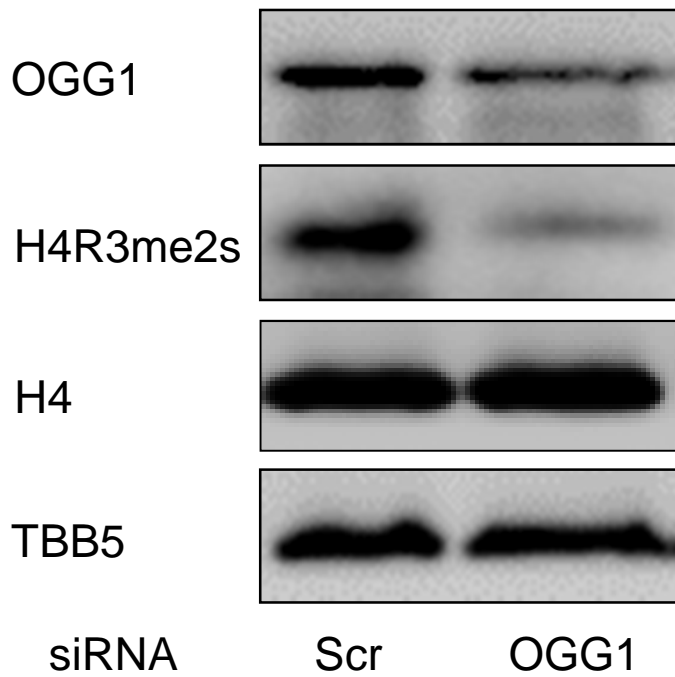
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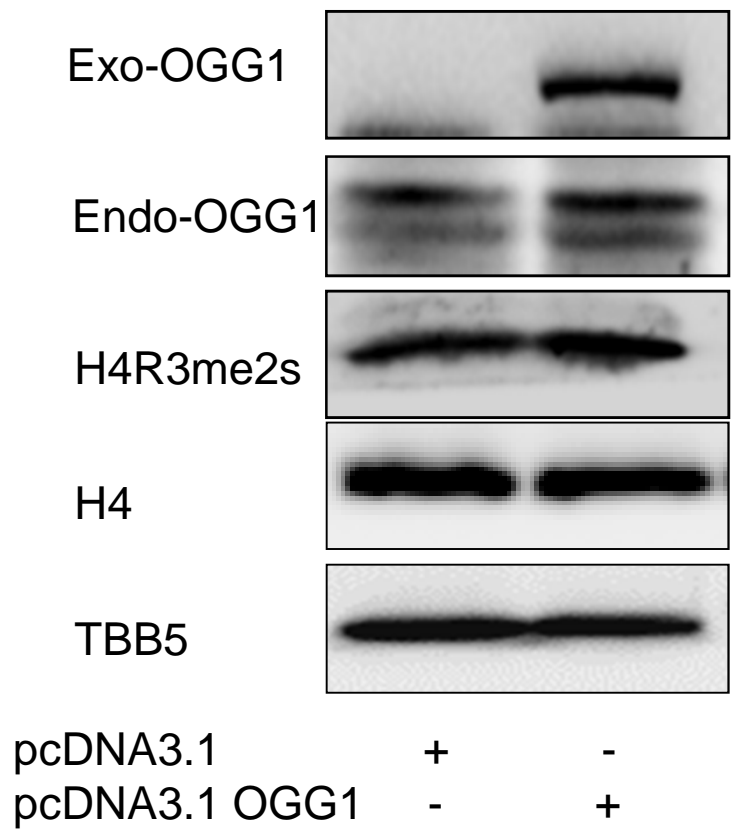
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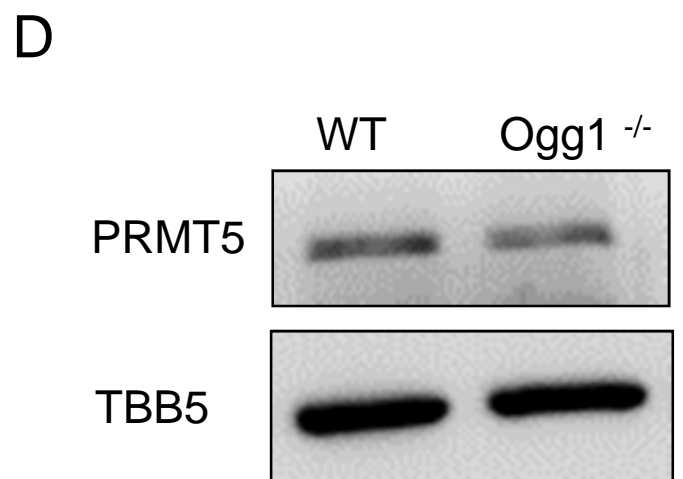
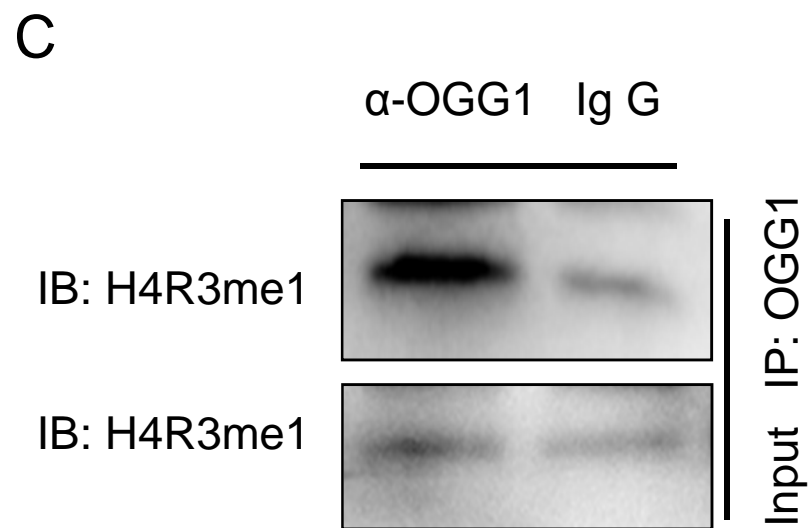
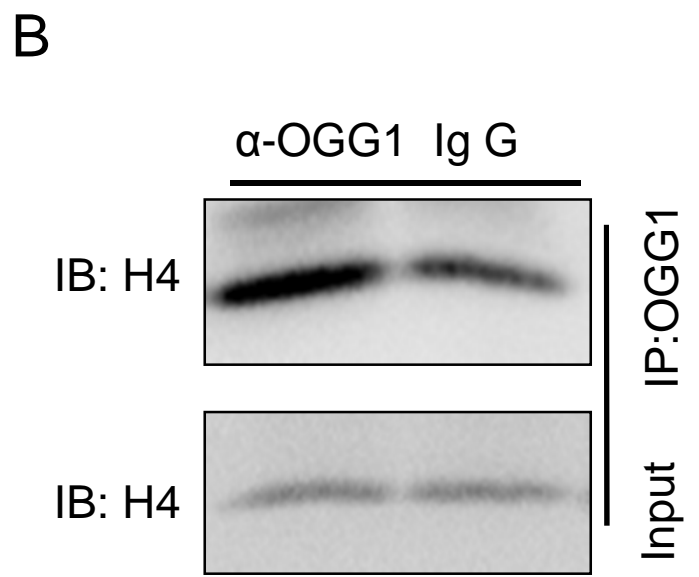
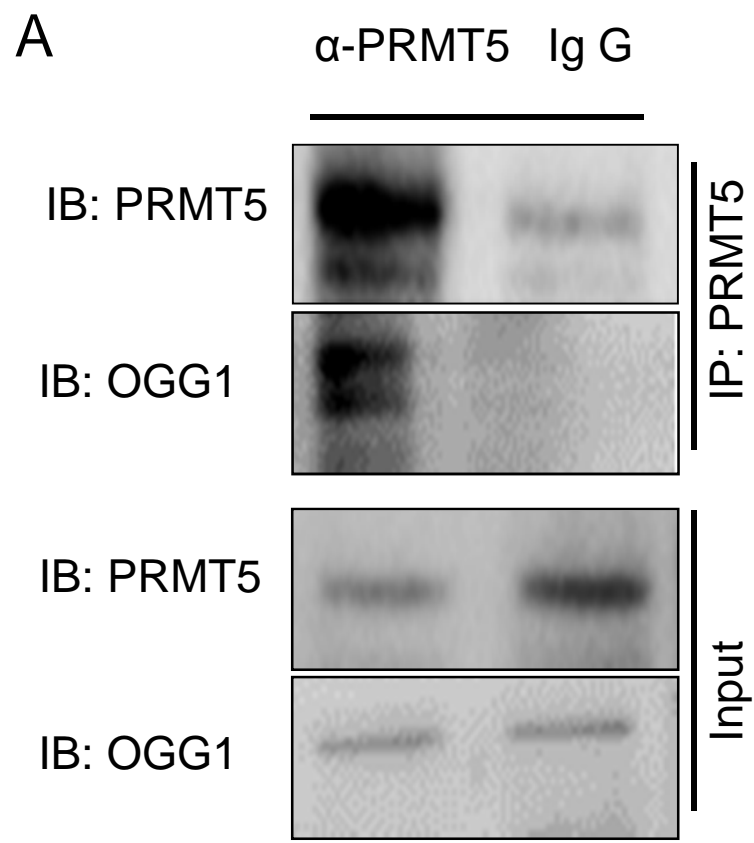


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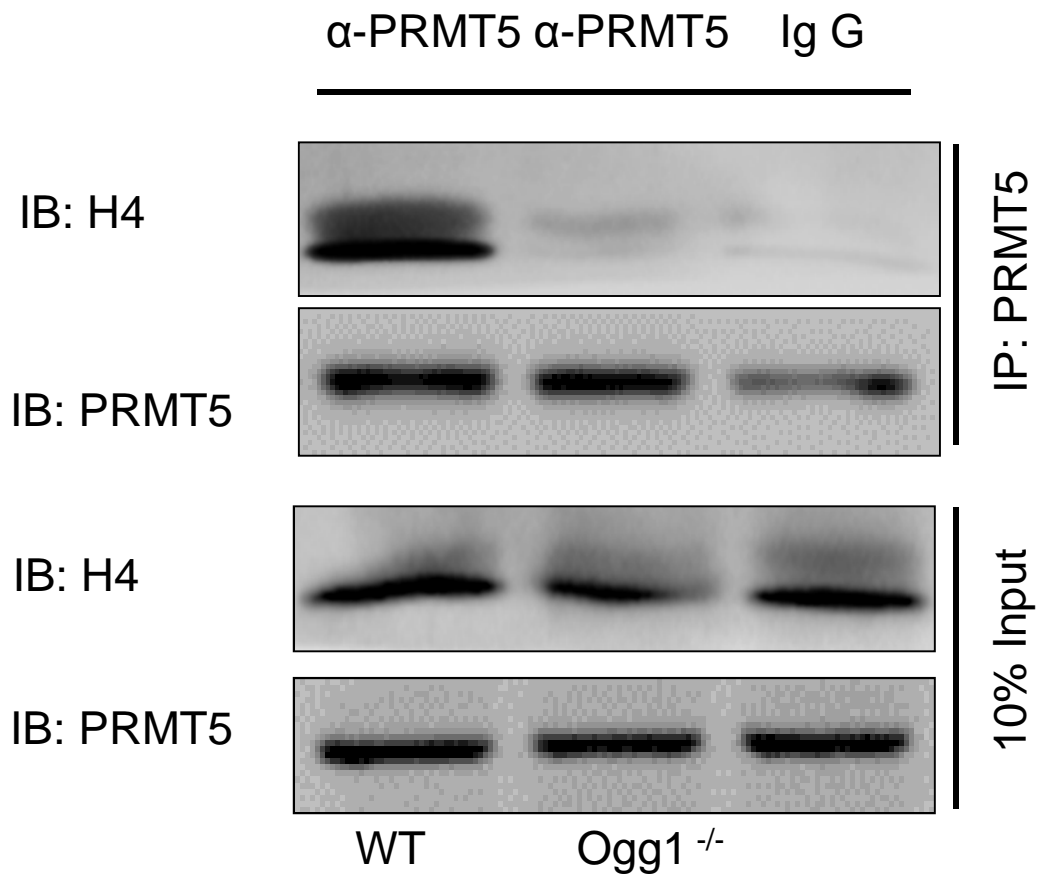


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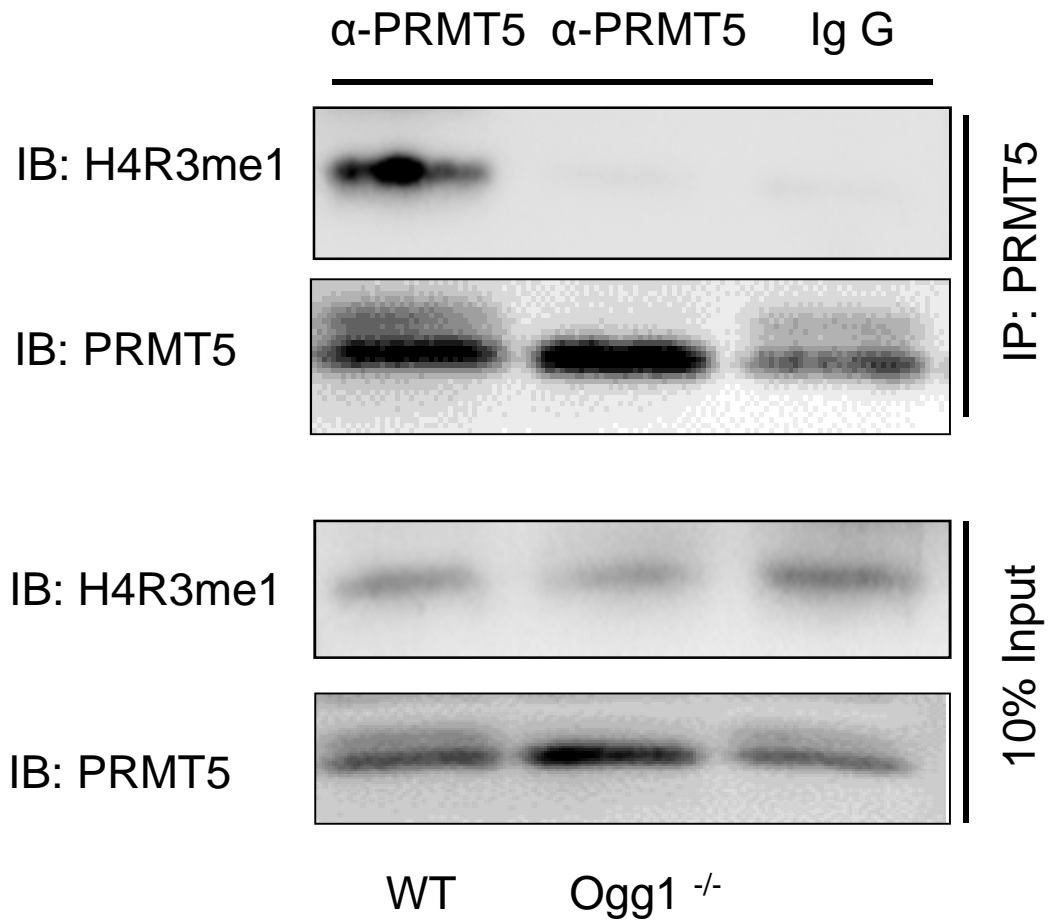


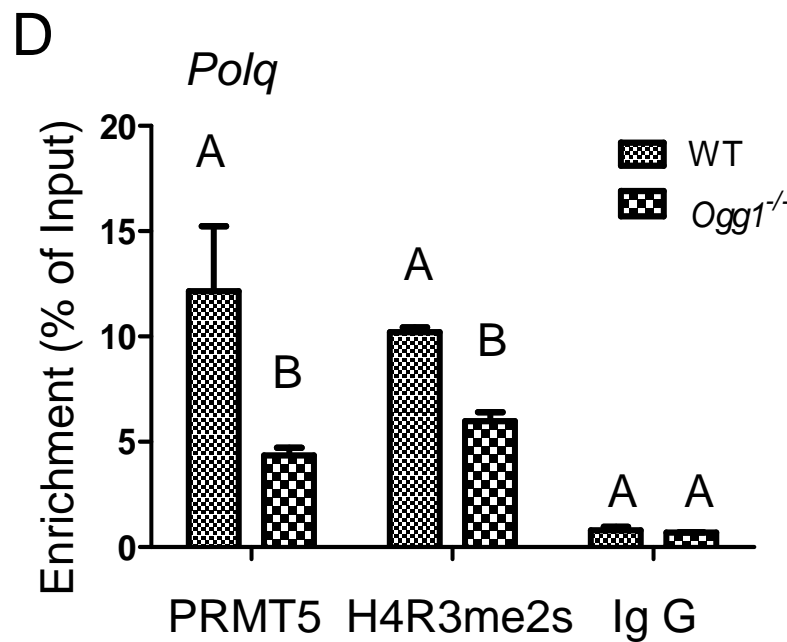
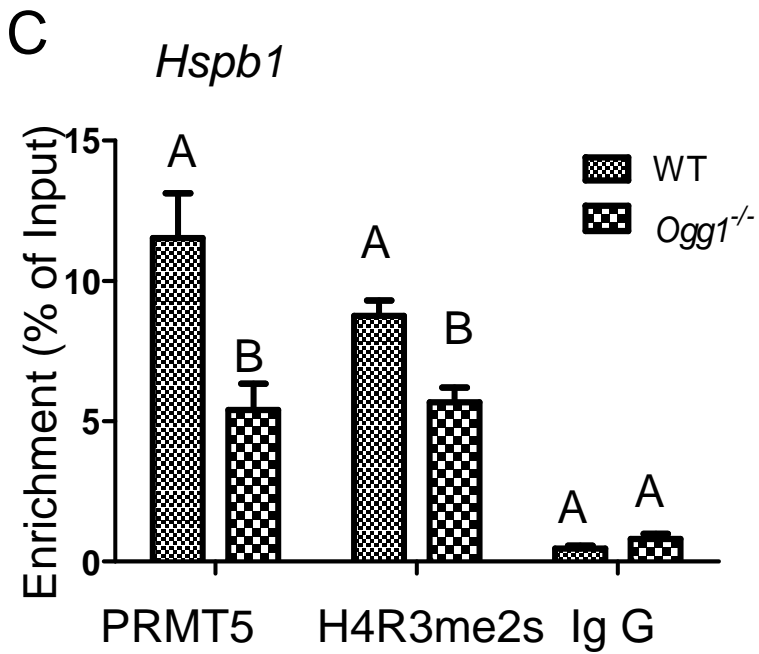
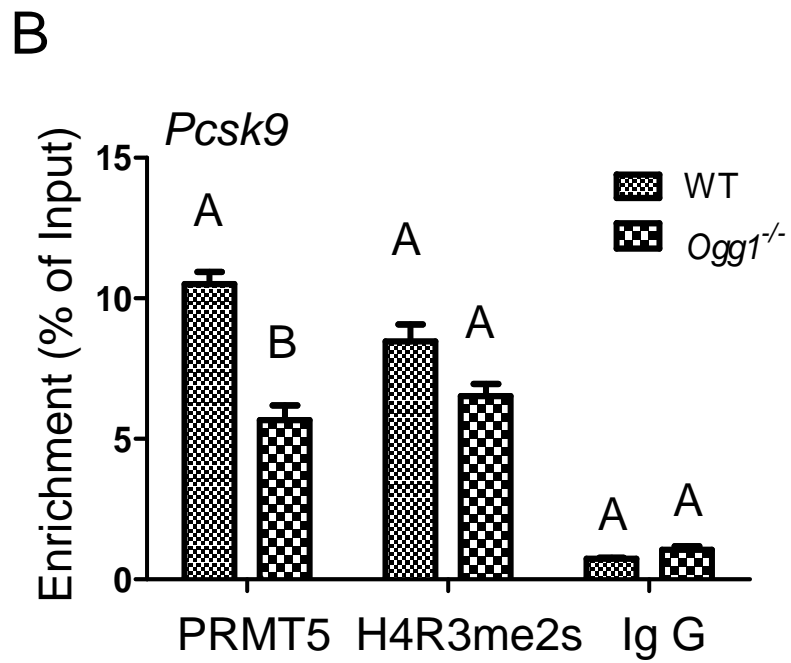
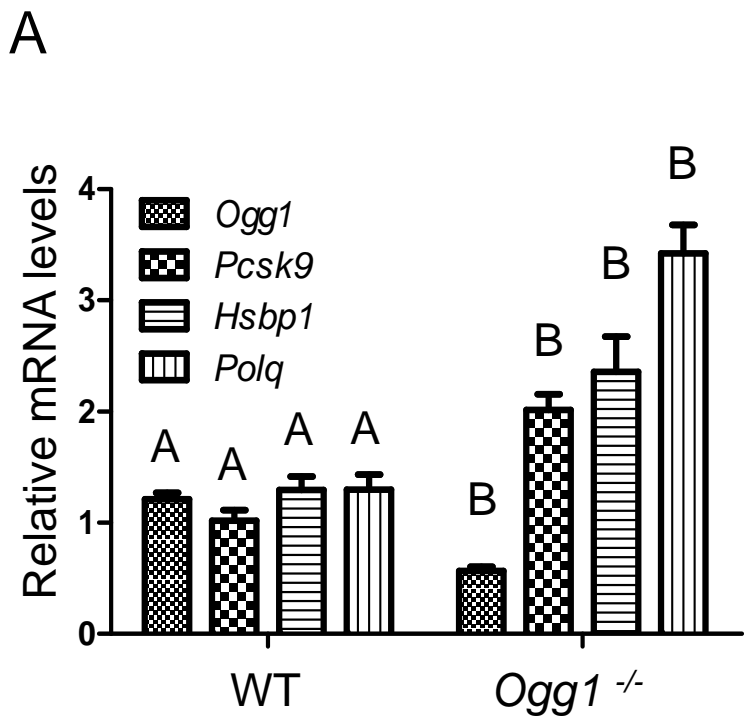


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Highlights:

1. OGG1 could regulate the level of H4R3me2s in MEF cells.
2. OGG1 interacting with PRMT5 is involved in forming of H4R3me2s.
3. This manuscript illustrates the novel roles of OGG1 in histone modification.

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