## **Supplementary Files**

## ATRX contributes to MeCP2-mediated pericentric heterochromatin organization during neural differentiation.

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## Figure S1





**Figure S1.** Schematic representation of the main murine ATRX protein variants: Full length ATRX (FL-ATRX, 2476 amino acids) and a truncated ATRX isoform (ATRXt, 1309 amino acids), generated by alternative splicing. ATRXt results from inclusion of part of the intron 11 and the use of an alternative intronic poly(A) signal (Garrick et al, Gene, 2004, ref. n°31). ATRXt contains the PHD-like domain, but lacks the SNF2 homology domain and the putative MeCP2 interaction site. The position of the principal features is indicated. White and grey bars locate the two amino acidic regions recognized by 39f and H300 antibodies, respectively, used in this study. aa: amino acids. The scale bar represents 200 amino acids. [Figure adapted from Garrick et al, PLoS Genetics, 2006 (ref. n°54)]



**Figure S2. (A)** Left: Representative immunofluorescence images of FL-ATRX nuclear localization in terminally differentiated *Mecp2*<sup>-/y</sup> neurons without (–RNase A) and with (+RNase A) RNase A treatment. Green, anti-ATRX antibody (H300); blue, DAPI counterstaining of nuclei to highlight chromocenters. Scale bar, 15  $\mu$ m. Right: Quantification of FL-ATRX enrichment at chromocenters in terminally differentiated *Mecp2*<sup>-/y</sup> neurons without and with RNase A treatment, as proportions of *Mecp2*<sup>-/y</sup> nuclei with FL-ATRX spotted to PCH. Data are means ±standard deviation, with ≥50 cells analyzed per condition, from four independent experiments. \*\*\*P <0.001 (one-tailed Student's t-test). **(B)** Quantification of chromatin immunoprecipitation for FL-ATRX binding to major satellite DNA in terminally differentiated *Mecp2*<sup>-/y</sup> neurons without and with RNase A treatment, using the anti-ATRX antibody (H300). c-FBJ osteosarcoma oncogene (c-*fos*) transcriptional start site (TSS) was used as negative control genomic region. Data are mean fold increases ±standard deviation for qPCR enrichment over background (IgG), for two biological replicates, with each amplified twice. \*\*\*P<0.001 (one-tailed Student's t-test).

 Table S1: Primers used in this study.

| Primer name            | Nucleotidic sequence (5'-3') |
|------------------------|------------------------------|
| Major satellites (For) | AAATACACACTTTAGGACG          |
| Major satellites (Rev) | TCAAGTGGATGTTTCTCATT         |
| Mecp2 TSS F1           | TCGGAGAGAGGGCTGTGGTA         |
| Mecp2 TSS R1           | GCGGTCCCACTCACAGTCTC         |
| –1.5kbp_Atrx Fw        | AGGCTGAAGAGACTGCTTAGTGAT     |
| –1.5kbp_Atrx Rev       | GTATGTATGTTTGAGAGAGCCTGGA    |
| ATRX_TSS F1            | ATGACGTCGACCGCCTTAGC         |
| ATRX_TSS R1            | TTTTGTTGGGCCGAGGCTTG         |
| Mxd4_TSS_Up            | CGCATCTGTCAACATTCTCAGC       |
| Mxd4_TSS_Lw            | GACACATAAGTCGAGCAGCAGT       |
| Gapdh prom F2          | TGAATGCTGCTTCCCGAGTA         |
| Gapdh prom R2          | CTCAACTTTTCCGCAGCCTT         |
| c-Kit prom F1          | AAGGACCACCGATGGAGGGA         |
| c-Kit prom R1          | CGGGCTGCAATAAGCTGATCC        |
| c-Fos prom F1          | ACACGCGGAAGGTCTAGGAG         |
| c-Fos prom R1          | GTCGTCAACTCTACGCCCCA         |
| Island Atrx F1         | AGGAGAGCCGAGCATTGGAG         |
| Island Atrx R1         | AAGCAAAAGCCCGCATTGGG         |
| Island HP1 alfa Fw     | CTTGAACCCGCTCCCATTGC         |
| Island HP1 alfa Rev    | CCCGCCCCAGTTGTCCTATT         |
| Island HP1 beta Fw     | CTACGAGGTGAAGAGGCGGG         |
| Island HP1 beta Rev    | CGGTCTCCGCTCTTCCGTTA         |
| Island HP1 gamma Fw    | GATGTGGCTGAACCGAAGCG         |
| Island HP1 gamma Rev   | GGACGCACGGAGCATCCTAA         |
| Beta-III tubulin Up    | CGTGGGCTCAAAATGTCATC         |
| Beta-III tubulin Low   | TGGCTGTGAACTGCTCCGAGAT       |
| Gapdh F3               | CCAGGAGCGAGACCCCACTA         |
| Gapdh R3               | GGGCGGAGATGATGACCCTT         |
|                        |                              |

 Table S2:
 List of antibodies used.

| Antibodies   | Application                              | Company                     | Cat. N°  |
|--|--|-----------------------------|----------|
| anti-MeCP2   | IF (1:500)<br>WB (1:3500)<br>ChIP (5 μg) | Sigma-Aldrich               | M9317    |
| anti-ATRX H300   | IF (1:300)<br>ChIP (10 μg)               | Santa Cruz<br>Biotechnology | sc-15408 |
| anti-ATRX clone 39f                                      | IF (1:200)<br>WB (1:500)                 | Millipore                   | MABE1798 |
| anti-HP1α  | WB (1:7760)<br>ChIP (5 µg)               | Abcam                       | Ab77256  |
| anti-HP1α  | IF (1:1000)                              | Euromedex                   | 2HP-1H5  |
| anti-HP1β [MAC353]                                       | IF (1:300)<br>WB (1:200)                 | Abcam                       | Ab10811  |
| anti-HP1 $\gamma$ clone 42s2                             | WB (1:10000)<br>ChIP (5 µg)              | Millipore                   | 05690    |
| anti-HP1 $\gamma$ clone 2MOD-1G6                         | IF (1:1000)                              | Millipore                   | MAB3450  |
| anti-TH (anti-Tyrosine Hydroxylase)                      | IF (1:200)                               | Millipore                   | AB152    |
| anti-5-HT (anti-5 hydroxytryptamine)                     | IF (1:200)                               | Sigma-Aldrich               | S5545    |
| anti-GFAP (anti- <i>Glial fibrillary acidic</i> protein) | IF (1:300)                               | Dako Cytomation             | Z0334    |
| anti-GABA  | IF (1:400)                               | Sigma-Aldrich               | A2052    |
| anti-βIII-Tubulin  | IF (1:750)<br>WB (1:10000)               | Sigma-Aldrich               | T8660    |
| anti-Histone H3  | WB (1:20000)                             | Abcam                       | Ab1791   |
| anti-Actin   | WB (1:3500)                              | Sigma-Aldrich               | A2066    |

 Table S3:
 Strand-specific LNA fluorescent probe.

| Name                                       | Fluorophore | Sequence             |
|--|-------------|----------------------|
| major 1<br>(specific for MajSat-fw strand) | TEX 615     | TCTTGCCATATTCCACGTCC |