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The Non-canonical EZH2/TRIM28/SULF1 Axis Mediates Heparan Sulfate Assembly and Melanoma Cell Growth

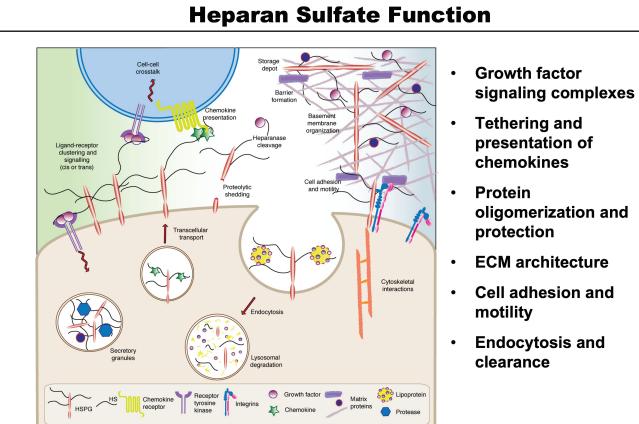
Heparan sulfate is a complex linear polysaccharide chain which is crucial to various cell physiological functions. Alterations in heparan sulfate assembly have been implicated in the progression of various types of tumors. We uncovered a novel regulatory axis involved in finetuning heparan sulfate structure and explore how this axis alters melanoma tumor progression.

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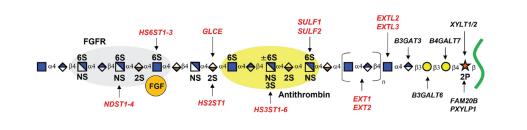
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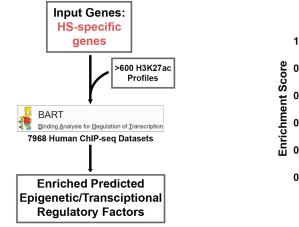
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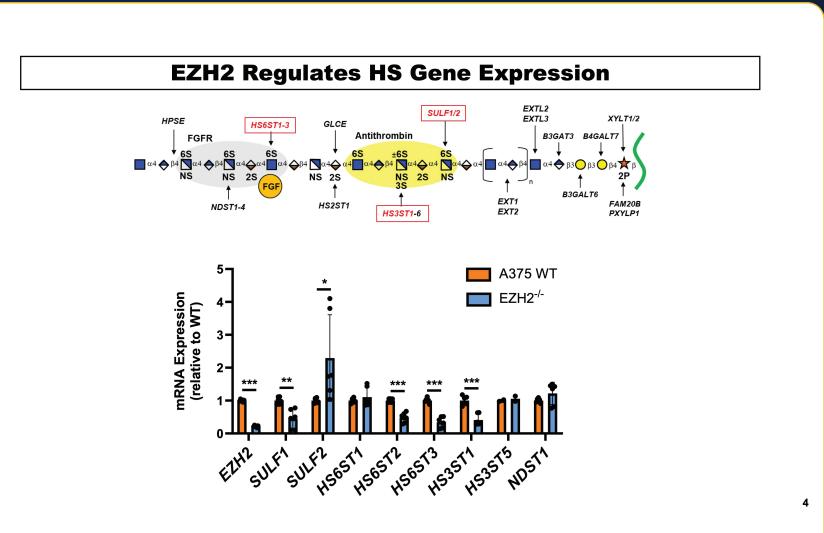
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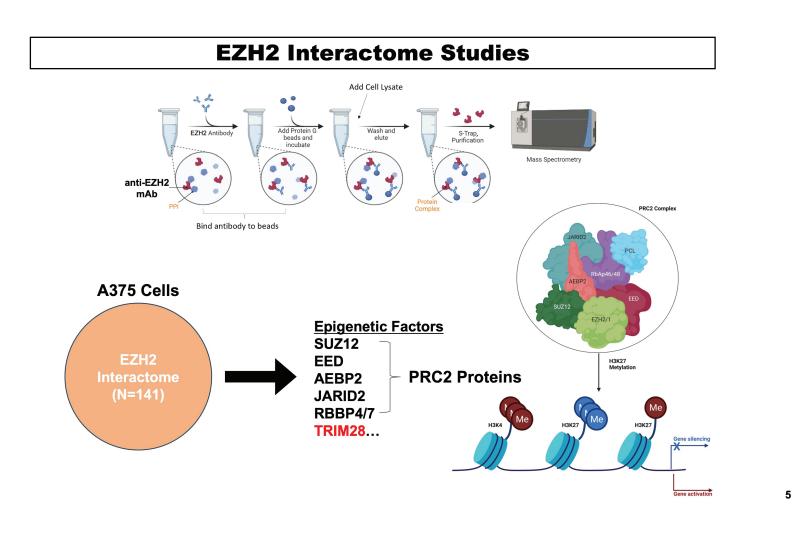
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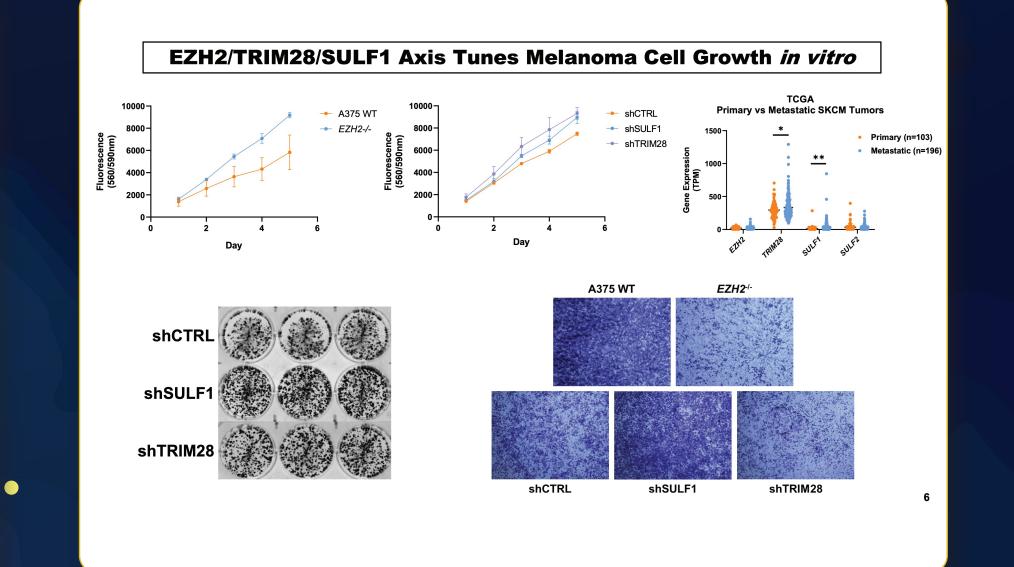
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**Loss of EZH2 Alters HS Structure and Function** NS 2SNS **Disaccharide Analysis** 80 60 40 20 🔲 A375 WT EZH2-/-Extracellular matrix Flow Cytometry \*\*\* 🔲 A375 WT Heparan Sulfate EZH2-/-Proteoglycan Cell Signali







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