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Abstract

In eukaryotes, DNA-associated protein complexes coevolve with genomic sequences to orchestrate chromatin folding. We investigate the relationship between DNA sequence and the spontaneous loading and activity of chromatin components in the absence of coevolution. Using bacterial genomes integrated into *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*, which diverged from yeast more than 2 billion years ago, we show that nucleosomes, cohesins, and associated transcriptional machinery can lead to the formation of two different chromatin archetypes, one transcribed and the other silent, independently of heterochromatin formation. These two archetypes also form on eukaryotic exogenous sequences, depend on sequence composition, and can be predicted using neural networks trained on the native genome. They do not mix in the nucleus, leading to a bipartite nuclear compartmentalization, reminiscent of the organization of vertebrate nuclei.

1 **Introduction**

2 Genome sequence composition, broadly defined by its GC%, polynucleotide frequencies,
3 DNA motifs and repeats, varies widely between species as well as within individual genomes (1,
4 2). In eukaryotes, the sequence composition is known to correlate with: i) chromatin composition,
5 which includes nucleosome formation and binding of structural and functional proteins to DNA
6 (3), ii) chromatin activity, such as transcription and replication (4), and iii) functional 3D
7 organization of the genome into loops and compartments (5, 6). For instance in mammals, GC-
8 rich regions are enriched in actively transcribed sequences, in chromatin loops mediated by the
9 structural maintenance of chromosomes (SMC) cohesin, and coalesce into a specific compartment
10 (7). These relationships between sequence and chromatin composition activities and folding reflect
11 their continuous coevolution over millions of years.

12 Disruptive variations in sequence composition can emerge naturally during evolution, e.g.
13 through transfer of genetic material across species by horizontal gene transfers or introgression, in
14 viral infections (8–11), or even artificially, e.g. by introducing chromosome-long DNA molecules
15 into chassis microbial strains or cell lines (12–14). Such transfer can lead to the long-term
16 integration of foreign DNA whose sequence composition strongly diverges from their host's
17 genome (e.g. the introgression in *Lachancea kluyveri* of a 1 Mb sequence with a GC content 12%
18 higher than the rest of the genome (15)). Once integrated, these sequences are organized and
19 processed by chromatin-associated proteins of the host genome, obeying new rules under which
20 they have not coevolved. How a eukaryotic host packages, regulates the activity and folds long
21 exogenous DNA sequences, and the importance of the sequence composition in this process,
22 remain largely unknown.

23 Here, we investigate the behavior of natural, chromosome-sized bacterial and eukaryotic
24 sequences, with different sequence composition, artificially introduced into the *S. cerevisiae*
25 genome (16, 17). We profile nucleosome, RNA polymerase and cohesin landscapes,
26 transcriptional activity and 3D organization of these supernumerary chromosomes during the cell
27 cycle. We show that highly divergent bacterial or eukaryotic chromosomes, with different GC
28 content, present different chromatin composition and activities. This eventually leads to the
29 spontaneous formation of two chromatin archetypes, one active and one inactive, each displaying
30 different physical properties and segregating into distinct chromosomal compartments, similar to
31 those observed in complex multicellular organisms such as mammals. This partitioning occurs

32 independently of heterochromatin formation but is driven by transcriptional activity. Sequence
33 determinants, computationally learnt on yeast sequences are sufficient to predict the chromatin
34 composition and activity of exogenous chromosomes integrated in the yeast, suggesting s that the
35 fate of any DNA molecule introduced into a given cellular context, from nucleosome positioning
36 up to its 3D folding and transcriptional activity, is governed by rules that are both deterministic
37 and predictable.

38

39 **Adaptation of supernumerary bacteria chromosomes integrated into yeast**

40 To investigate large sequences which have not evolved in a eukaryotic context, we exploited
41 *S. cerevisiae* strains carrying an extra 17th circular chromosome made either from the *Mycoplasma*
42 *mycoides* subspecies *mycoides* (referred to as “Mmyco”) or *Mycoplasma pneumoniae*
43 (“Mpneumo”) genomes containing a yeast centromeric sequence and an autonomous replication
44 sequence (ARS) (18) (**Methods; Table S1**). While the GC content of *S. cerevisiae* is 38%, the GC
45 content of the Mmyco and Mpneumo chromosomes are 24% (GC-poor) and 40% (GC-neutral),
46 respectively (**Fig. 1A**). Dinucleotide composition (19) also largely differs between yeast and
47 bacterial chromosomes (**Fig. S1A**). We linearized these chromosomes, added yeast telomeres at
48 the extremities (**Fig. 1A; Fig. S1B; Methods**), and investigated their replication and cohesion
49 using split-dot assay and marker frequency analysis (**Fig. S1C,D and Supplementary Text;**
50 **Methods**). Overall, these chromosomes do not impose a significant fitness cost on their eukaryotic
51 host and have a segregation rate similar to that of a centromeric plasmid (**Fig. S1E, S1F**) making
52 them powerful tools for studying chromatin assembly on foreign sequences.

53

54 **Spontaneous chromatinization of bacterial chromosomes in a eukaryotic context**

55 While Mmyco and Mpneumo chromosomes evolved in a non-eukaryotic context, both
56 sequences lead to the formation of nucleosome arrays and local nucleosome-depleted regions
57 (NDR) as assessed by time-course MNase-seq and H3 and H2A ChIP-seq experiments (**Fig. 1B,**
58 **C; Fig. S2A-B**). We annotated nucleosome positions following an approach adapted from
59 Brogaard et al. (20), and found that nucleosome arrays over the Mpneumo chromosome are similar
60 to yeast’s ones, with a linker length of ~14-18 bp and a nucleosome repeat length (NRL) of 160
61 bp (**Fig. 1D,E**). In contrast, nucleosome arrays in the Mmyco chromosome have a longer ~ 25 bp
62 linker and an NRL of 174 bp (**Fig. 1D,E, S2D**). Sequence features favoring nucleosome

63 organization (short poly(dA) or poly(dT) tracks and strong WW 10 bp periodicity) are enriched in
64 Mpneumo, while sequence features limiting nucleosome assembly (long poly(dA) or poly(dT)
65 tracks and weak WW 10 bp periodicity) are enriched in Mmyco chromosome (**Fig. S2C,D**).

66 Chromatin accessibility profiling by ATAC-seq confirmed that the Mpneumo chromosome
67 has a similar density and breadth of accessible loci to endogenous yeast chromosomes and that
68 these accessible sites are devoid of nucleosomes, effectively forming nucleosome-depleted regions
69 (NDRs) (**Fig. 1B, Fig. S3A,B, S3D-E**). In comparison, we only detected 16 weaker ATAC peaks
70 over the Mmyco chromosome, which were weakly covered but not completely depleted in
71 nucleosomes (**Fig. 1C, Fig. S3C-E**).

72 The cohesin (Scc1) and RNA polymerase II (Pol. II) profiles along the Mpneumo chromosome
73 also appear similar to wild-type (WT) yeast chromosomes, with discrete Scc1 peaks preferentially
74 located in nucleosome-depleted and Pol. II-enriched regions (**Fig. 1F, Fig. S2F-H**). In contrast,
75 Scc1 and Pol. II binding profiles in the Mmyco strain show significant differences. On the one
76 hand, Scc1 is strongly enriched over the whole Mmyco chromosome, but does not form the distinct
77 peaks observed on endogenous chromosomes (**Fig. 1F, Fig. S2F,G**). This broad enrichment is
78 correlated with a strongly reduced Scc1 occupancy at centromeres of endogenous *S. cerevisiae*
79 chromosomes (**Fig. S2E**), suggesting that the Mmyco chromosome titrates the dynamic cohesin
80 pool enriched over yeast centromeres (21, 22). The Pol. II occupancy is on the other hand greatly
81 reduced along the Mmyco chromosome compared to yeast chromosomes (**Fig. 1F**).

82 These results show that large exogenous bacterial chromosomes placed in a eukaryotic context
83 spontaneously adopt features of eukaryotic chromatin, as histones, Pol II and cohesins can all bind
84 bacterial DNA. However, the chromatin landscapes over the two bacterial chromosomes delineate
85 two different chromatin archetypes: (1) “Y” (yeast-like) chromatin landscape, found over
86 Mpneumo (whose 40% GC content is close to the native *S. cerevisiae* GC content), and (2) “U”
87 (for Unconventional) chromatin, found over Mmyco (with a low 24% GC content), featuring less
88 packed nucleosomes, a reduced Pol II coverage, and a broad binding of cohesins across the entire
89 chromosome.

90

91 **Transcriptional activity of bacterial genomes in a yeast context**

92 Consistent with Pol. II ChIP-seq profiles (**Fig. 1F**), we find that the Y chromatin type on
93 Mpneumo is transcribed to levels similar to those of endogenous yeast chromosomes (**Fig. 2A**).

94 Mpneumo transcription tracks are significantly longer than yeast genes (4.9 kb vs 3.4 kb, p-value
95 $< 2e^{-4}$, two-sided Student's t-test) and do not systematically display clear boundaries, with more
96 loci where both strands are transcribed compared to yeast (**Fig. 2B**, black triangle). They do not
97 preferentially occur over bacterial gene bodies nor seem to initiate at bacterial promoters,
98 consistent with an absence of Pol. II enrichment at these loci (**Fig. S4A-C**). In sharp contrast, the
99 Mmyco U chromatin type is only sparsely and lowly transcribed (**Fig. 2A,B**), again in good
100 agreement with the reduced levels of Pol. II deposition (**Fig. 1F**).

101 Remarkably, for both bacterial genomes, the steady-state orientation of transcription tracks
102 preferentially follow those of the bacterial genes annotated along these sequences, despite the fact
103 that the transcription machinery evolved independently for billions of years (**Fig. 2C**, see the
104 orientation of genes and stranded tracks in **Fig. 2A,B**). This preference correlates with the over-
105 representation of A vs. T and G vs. C on the coding strand of both yeast and bacterial genes (**Fig.**
106 **S4D**, see **Discussion**). To test whether the steady-state unidirectional orientation of transcription
107 is the outcome of active degradation of overlapping antisense transcripts, we profiled nascent
108 transcripts by CRAC-seq, a technique that quantifies RNA molecules still bound to RNA Pol II
109 (**Fig. S5A**). We found a strong correlation between RNA-seq and CRAC-seq (**Fig. S5B**) which
110 confirmed that transcription can initiate at the hundreds of accessible NDRs along the Mpneumo
111 chromosome (**Fig. 2D, E**) and that transcription is extremely sparse over the Mmyco chromosome
112 (**Fig. S5A**). We further validated these observations by performing RNA-seq in $\Delta upf1$, $\Delta rrp6$ or
113 $\Delta upf1/rrp6$ Mpneumo strains, respectively incompetent for nonsense-mediated RNA decay
114 (NMD), nuclear RNA surveillance by the exosome, or both. This showed that although some
115 overlapping antisense transcripts sporadically emerge in the mutant strains, eukaryotic
116 transcription over a bacterial chromosome preferentially follows the direction of the bacterial
117 genes (**Fig. S5C**).

118

119 **Inactive U chromatin forms a distinct compartment in the interphase nucleus**

120 Chromatin conformation capture (Hi-C) contact maps show that, as expected in a Rabl
121 configuration (23, 24), yeast centromeres added to both Mmyco and Mpneumo chromosomes
122 cluster with native ones. The two bacterial chromosomes exhibit nonetheless very distinct
123 structural characteristics. The Y-type Mpneumo chromosome behaves similarly to an endogenous
124 *S. cerevisiae* chromosome (**Fig. 3A**), with comparable trans contacts (**Fig. S6A**) and a slope of the

125 contact probability (p) as a function of the genomic distance (s) (or genomic contact decay curve)
126 close to -1.5, a value corresponding to a typical random coil structure observed in simulations (**Fig.**
127 **3C**) (25). DNA-FISH labeling of *Mpneumo* DNA also revealed an extended and contorted
128 structure within the intranuclear space, confirming the intermixing of the chromosome with the
129 actively transcribed native chromosomes (**Fig. 3E, Fig. S6C, D**).

130 In contrast, few contacts were detected between the U-type *Mmyco* and the endogenous
131 chromosomes (**Fig. 3A, Fig. S6A**), predominantly with the 32 yeast subtelomeric regions (**Fig.**
132 **3A**, dotted rectangles; **Fig. S6B**). The slope of the $p(s)$ curve also differs dramatically with a value
133 of -1 at shorter distances, corresponding to a crumpled globule (**Fig. 3C**)(26, 27). DNA-FISH
134 labeling of *Mmyco* confirmed the globular conformation of the chromosome and revealed its
135 preferential position at the nuclear periphery, reflecting its proximity with sub/telomeres (**Fig. 3E;**
136 **Fig. S6C, D**). These results show that inactive, U chromatin spontaneously forms a distinct
137 compartment in the nuclear space segregated from the active endogenous chromosomal set.

138

139 **Cohesin compacts both exogenous bacterial chromosomes in G2/M**

140 In yeast G2/M-arrested cells, chromatin is folded into arrays of cohesin-anchored loops (28,
141 29). This compaction results in a decrease of inter-chromosomal contacts and in a shifted $p(s)$
142 curve, with an inflection point around the average loop length (23, 30). These structural features
143 are observed for both bacterial chromosomes, indicating a similar mitotic compaction of both Y
144 and U chromatin types (**Fig. 3B, 3D, Fig. S6A,E,F**). We identified 59 loops across the *Mpneumo*
145 chromosome in G2/M, spanning over slightly longer (28 kb) genomic distances than the loops
146 found along yeast sequences (22 kb) (**Fig. S6G; Methods**). Strong *Scc1* peaks were positioned
147 close (within 500bp) to these loop anchors (**Fig. 3F,H**), at sites of convergent transcription (**Fig.**
148 **2B**, green dotted lines, **Fig. S6H**), with strong cohesin peaks associated with sharper transcriptional
149 convergence (**Fig. 2B**, arrows; **Fig. S6I,J**). The dotted grid pattern in *Mpneumo* is reminiscent of
150 multiple DNA loops observed along mammalian interphase chromosomes (31), suggesting that
151 some loop anchors can be involved in loops of various sizes, a phenomenon not observed across
152 native *S. cerevisiae* chromosomes (**Fig. 3F**). On the other hand, no visible discrete loops were
153 observed along the *Mmyco* chromosome where cohesins uniformly cover inactive U chromatin
154 regions without clear peaks, probably reflecting the absence of (convergent) transcription (**Fig.**
155 **3G**, and also **Fig. 1F** and **Fig. 2B**). Cohesin-mediated loops along yeast chromosomes are formed

156 through loop extrusion, a process by which cohesin complexes organize DNA by capturing and
157 gradually enlarging small loops (32, 33). In absence of Wpl1, which impairs cohesin removal and
158 results in longer loops (28, 33), we observe an increase of long-range contacts for all chromosomes,
159 including Mmyco and Mpneumo (**Fig. 3I; Fig. S6K**), consistent with active cohesin-mediated loop
160 extrusion proceeding on both Y and U chromatin.

161

162 **Mosaic chromosomes display spontaneous, chromatin type-dependent DNA** 163 **compartmentalization**

164 The structural and functional features of the Y- and U-type chromatin are reminiscent of the
165 euchromatin and heterochromatin compartments described along metazoan chromosomes (34). To
166 test whether and how they can coexist on a single chromosome, we fused the Mmyco chromosome
167 with the native yeast chromosome XVI (XVIIfMmyco chromosome) and induced translocations to
168 generate two additional strains with chromosomes harboring alternating U and Y chromatin
169 regions over hundreds of kb (XVIIfMmycot1), 50 kb (XVIIfMmycot2) or as small as 15 kb
170 (XVIIfMmycot2') (**Fig. 4A; Fig. S7A-B Methods**). The overall Hi-C contact maps of XVIIfMmyco
171 strain synchronized in G1 showed little differences compared to the parental Mmyco strain (but
172 for the deleted and fused regions, **Fig. 4B**, compare panel **i** with **ii**). The Y-type chr. XVI arm
173 intermixes with the other 15 yeast chromosomes while the U-type Mmyco arm remains isolated
174 from the rest of the genome, contacting subtelomeric regions (**Fig. 4B**, panel **ii**). In the translocated
175 strains, the alternating chromatin type regions resulted in striking checkerboard contact patterns
176 within XVIIfMmycot1 and XVIIfMmycot2 chromosomes (**Fig. 4B**, panels **iii** and **iv**). U-type
177 regions can thus make specific contacts over long distances, bypassing the Y-type regions found
178 in between (**Fig. 4C, D; Fig. S7E, G1**). Similarly, Y-type regions of chromosome XVI are also
179 involved in specific Y-Y contacts over longer distances (**Fig. 4C, D**). Intra-U and Y regions contact
180 decay is different in the two chromatin types, U chromatin being prone to longer range contacts in
181 *cis* (**Fig. S7E**). Strikingly, translocation of a U-chromatin segment at the end of chromosome XIII
182 also led to a strong increase of inter-chromosomal contacts with U-chromatin segments in *trans*
183 (**Fig. 4E, F**), illustrating that inactive U chromatin can span multiple chromosomes, a finding that
184 broadens our understanding of chromatin compartmentalization and that further relates Y and U-
185 chromatin with eu- and heterochromatin compartments found in higher eukaryotes (34).

186 Pol. II ChIP-seq in XVIIfMmycot2 strain revealed that 50 kb-long translocated Y or U
187 chromatin segments did not exhibit any change in Pol. II occupancy profiles, demonstrating that
188 Pol. II binding is independent of the broader chromatin context (**Fig. S7C**). We further performed
189 RNA-seq profiling in the XVIIfMycot2' strain, which harbors a 15 kb segment of Mmyco
190 translocated within the euchromatic yeast chromosome XVI and vice versa. Compared to the
191 XVIIfMmycot2 strain, the right end of this 15kb Mmyco segment is directly adjacent to yeast
192 chromatin (**Fig. S7D**). In this context, we observed that transcription immediately at the junction
193 with yeast chromatin can progress over ~1 kb into the Mmyco segment (**Fig. S7D**, black arrow).
194 In contrast, transcription of yeast genes translocated close to Mmyco chromatin is unaffected. This
195 suggests that although active transcription can spread from Y chromatin to Mmyco U chromatin,
196 the U-type chromatin locally exerts a strong inhibitory effect on the transcription initiation
197 machinery.

198 In larger genomes, euchromatin and heterochromatin compartments are abolished following
199 loop extrusion-mediated metaphase chromosome compaction (32, 35, 36). Similarly, in our
200 chimeric strains, Hi-C maps of the mosaic chromosomes in G2/M reveal that intra- and inter-
201 chromosomal U-type compartments all disappear upon cohesin-mediated compaction (**Fig. 4E**,
202 **Fig. S7F**), with cohesin being over-enriched along inactive Mmyco regions independently of the
203 proximity with the centromere (**Fig. S7C**). At this stage, all the chimeric chromosome regions have
204 the same distance-dependent contact frequency (**Fig. S7E**, G2/M), and loops can span over the
205 Y/U chromatin junction, bridging the nearest cohesin enrichment sites on each side (**Fig. S7G**,
206 green arrows) (37, 38).

207

208 **Compartmentalization of U-type chromatin depends on transcriptional activity of the** 209 **yeast genome**

210 We investigated the molecular mechanisms that might be responsible for the formation of this
211 U-type heterochromatin-like chromatin compartment. In *S. cerevisiae*, heterochromatin formation
212 does not rely on the canonical H3K9me3 modification found in most eukaryotes (39). Instead,
213 heterochromatin is formed and maintained at telomeres, mating-type and rDNA loci by the SIR
214 (Silent Information Regulator) complex, which consists of Sir2 histone deacetylase (HDAC class
215 III), Sir3, a structural chromatin-binding protein stabilizing deacetylated histones and Sir4, another
216 structural protein bridging Sir2 and Sir3 and interacting with nuclear envelope associated proteins

217 (doi: 10.1534/genetics.112.145243). We found that 1) H4K16ac levels are reduced overall on
218 Mmyco chromosome (**Fig. S8A**), 2) that Sir2 inhibitor nicotinamide (NAM) only increases H4
219 acetylation levels locally at telomeric regions of both yeast and Mmyco chromosomes (**Fig. S8B**)
220 and 3) that Sir3 is not enriched along the Mmyco chromosome (**Fig. S8C**). These observations
221 reveal that U chromatin is hypo-acetylated independently of SIR-driven telomere
222 heterochromatinization. We further investigated whether widespread deacetylation by other
223 histone deacetylases could lead to heterochromatinization of Mmyco. Following treatment with
224 Trichostatin A (TSA, an HDAC I/II inhibitor), we found that H4 acetylation levels increase
225 globally over yeast segments but not over Mmyco segments (**Fig. S8D**) and that the Mmyco U
226 compartment and the p(s) contact decay curves were not affected (**Fig. S8F-H**). This indicates that
227 neither hypo-acetylation of U-chromatin nor its compartmentalization rely on histone
228 deacetylation activity.

229 The unusual 10bp-longer NRL measured in the Mmyco chromosome (**Fig. 1D,E**) suggests
230 that Histone 1 (H1) could bind the DNA linkers between consecutive nucleosomes leading to the
231 formation of U-type chromatin. We tested this hypothesis in Hho1 (yeast H1) deleted mutant and
232 found that the longer NRL, the distance-dependent contact frequency and the Mmyco compartment
233 remained unchanged (**Fig. S8E, S8I-K**), showing that H1 is not required for U-type chromatin
234 formation.

235 Finally, we assessed whether active transcription of yeast chromatin could be responsible for
236 the segregation of the inactive Mmyco chromosome into a separate compartment. We treated cells
237 with thiolutin, a RNA polymerase inhibitor leading to its rapid dissociation from chromatin. Pol.
238 II ChIP-seq profiling confirmed its unloading from yeast chromatin upon treatment (**Fig. S8L**) and
239 calibrated RNA-seq revealed that transcription of yeast genes was reduced overall (**Fig. S8M**, 23-
240 34% reduction in steady-state transcription). Concomitantly, Hi-C revealed that long-range
241 interactions within the yeast genome increased, and that Y/U compartments were strongly affected
242 (**Fig. 4G-I**), suggesting that chromatin compartmentalization is dependent on yeast transcriptional
243 activity. To test this under physiological conditions, we performed Hi-C in quiescent yeast cells,
244 where transcription is largely silenced (40). Hi-C revealed that the Mmyco U-type compartment
245 disappears upon entry into quiescence (**Fig. 4J-L**), and that the Mmyco chromatin segregates away
246 from the yeast telomere hypercluster appearing in quiescence (41) (**Fig. S8N**), supporting the
247 independence between U-type chromatin and the telomeric compartment.

248 Taken together, these results show that formation and maintenance of the Mmyco
249 compartment are independent of histone deacetylation or linker histone H1, and that transcription
250 is necessary to segregate U and Y chromatin compartments.

251
252 **Chromatin features of bacterial, eukaryotic and random exogenous chromosomes can**
253 **be predicted by their sequence composition**

254 We explored the extent to which intrinsic DNA sequence composition can be predictive of
255 specific chromatin features of foreign DNA integrated in yeast. We trained convolutional neural
256 networks (CNNs) using yeast DNA sequences from chromosomes I to XV as independent
257 variables to predict nucleosome, cohesin and Pol II coverage tracks along these sequences (see
258 **Methods, Fig. S9A**). These models were then validated on the held-out sequence of yeast
259 chromosome XVI (correlation with experimental signals of 0.63, 0.82 and 0.68 for nucleosome,
260 Scc1 ChIP and Pol. II ChIP predictions respectively, **Fig. 5A**, see **Methods**), confirming that the
261 genomic sequence is predictive of chromatin composition and activity in yeast (42–44).

262 Using our CNRR models, we then predicted coverages over Mpneumo and Mmyco
263 chromosomes, and observed that the rules learned from yeast sequences were sufficient to
264 accurately predict many of the features experimentally characterized on these chromosomes. The
265 predictions recapitulate the features of Y chromatin on Mpneumo, but also the U chromatin
266 features on Mmyco sequences, including the increased linker length (**Fig. 5A insert i, 5B-C**), (2)
267 Scc1 over-enrichment with no discrete peaks (**Fig. 5A insert ii**), and (3) the lower unstructured
268 Pol. II coverage, comparable to the background signal over yeast chromosomes (**Fig. 5A insert**
269 **iii**).

270 To broaden the spectrum of exogenous DNA origin, we next experimentally characterized the
271 nucleosome coverage and spatial organization of two other YACs integrated in yeast, containing
272 sequences from the *Plasmodium falciparum* eukaryotic genome (91 kb and 58 kb, 18% GC
273 content; Methods) and the other containing a 284 kb-long, 21% GC YAC from *Candidatus*
274 *Phytoplasma vitis*, a non-mycoides bacterial species (**Fig. S10**). Both bacterial and eukaryotic AT-
275 rich exogenous chromosomes display features of U-type chromatin, including (1) a NRL longer
276 than that of endogenous yeast chromosomes (~182 bp) and (2) segregation into a distinct
277 compartment, with reduced trans-chromosomal contacts and increased contacts with yeast
278 telomeres (**Fig. S10A-E**). Of note, trans-chromosomal contacts between the two *P. falciparum*

279 YACs were frequent (**Fig. S10A**), reminiscent of trans-chromosomal contacts between Mmyco
280 translocated segments (**Fig. 4E**). We found that the increased NRL in these two foreign
281 chromosomes is correctly predicted by the CNN model (**Fig. S10F, G**). The CNN model also
282 accurately predicts nucleosome coverage over an artificial 18kb-long GC-rich sequence with 50%
283 GC for which MNase-seq data in yeast was already generated (45).

284 To further validate the accuracy of the CNN model, we compared Pol. II coverage predictions
285 over several natural and artificial sequences that have been integrated and characterized in yeast
286 (**Fig. S10H**). In particular, the human HPRT1 sequence or its reverse sequence (HPRT1r) (~ 41%
287 GC), and a 18kb-long artificial sequence (~ 50% GC) have been shown to be transcriptionally
288 more active than yeast endogenous chromosomes, when integrated in yeast (46). Over these
289 sequences, we predict a higher Pol II occupancy compared to yeast chromosomes, consistent with
290 published experimental results (45, 46).

291

292 **GC content, dinucleotide content and more complex sequence features influence** 293 **chromatin composition**

294 To better characterize the relationship between GC content and chromatin composition, we
295 predicted the average nucleosome, Scc1 and Pol. II coverage over thousands of 1kb artificial
296 random sequences with variable GC content (**Fig. 5D; Methods**). We observed different behaviors
297 as a function of GC content: (1) the nucleosome signal was higher for intermediate GC % (i.e.
298 between 30% and 50%) and was strongly decreased outside of this range; (2) the cohesin signal
299 continuously decreased with increasing GC%; (3) the Pol. II signal was minimal up to 25% GC,
300 constant up to 45% GC and then increased up to 85% GC. Importantly, these predictions on
301 random sequences accurately recapitulate experimental measurements over 1kb segments from
302 yeast, Mmyco and Mpneumo sequences (**Fig. 5D**), suggesting that these predicted variations
303 indeed reflect intrinsic properties of the chromatin assembled on DNA with different GC content.

304 When comparing CNNs performances with two simpler linear regression models, either
305 based on the GC% or on the dinucleotide composition as predictor variables, we found that all
306 models accurately capture dinucleotide signatures for nucleosome, cohesin or Pol. II coverage (e.g.
307 AG, AC, CT, CA, GT, TG in nucleosome) (**Fig. S9B**) but also that the CNN approach performs
308 better in predicting the actual tracks (**Fig. S9C**). A motif analysis based on the saliency computed
309 from the trained networks also allowed us to identify some of the DNA motifs involved in the

310 sequence-dependent chromatin composition (**Fig. S9D**). These results show that besides GC% and
311 dinucleotide signatures, more complex sequence features influence chromatin composition,
312 regardless of their evolutionary origin.

313

314 **Discussion**

315 *Chromatin composition and activity of exogenous chromosomes is based on their underlying*
316 *DNA sequence*

317 Several studies have shown that exogenous or random DNA segments in the yeast nucleus
318 with a GC% relatively similar to that of yeast chromosomes are actively transcribed (45–48). Here
319 we show that this is not always the case, and that DNA sequences with different GC content adopt
320 one of two archetypes of chromatin that we called Y and U for yeast-like and unconventional. Y
321 chromatin displays nucleosome arrays with a canonical 160bp NRL, recruits Pol. II and is
322 transcriptionally active, whereas U chromatin is characterized by a longer 174 bp NRL 174bp, and
323 a lower Pol. II occupancy and transcriptional activity (**Fig. 5E**).

324 Using machine learning models solely trained on yeast chromosomes, we show that the
325 chromatin composition experimentally measured over these exogenous chromosomes can be
326 estimated from their DNA sequence only. This demonstrates that the fate of any DNA molecule
327 introduced into a given cellular context, including its nucleosomal packaging and its transcriptional
328 activity, is influenced by sequence-based rules that are both deterministic and predictable (**Fig.**
329 **5A, S11**). CNN-based methods can thus be useful to predict the behavior of exogenous DNA in
330 natural gene transfer events or in synthetic genome engineering.

331

332 *Biased orientation of RNA-seq signal along prokaryotic sequences in eukaryotic context*

333 Transcriptomics signal on bacterial chromosomes in yeast follows, on average, bacteria genes
334 orientation (**Fig. 2B, C**). Sequence determinants, including GC and AT skews, predate the
335 divergence of eucaryotes and procaryotes, and are notably found in both Mpneumo and Mmyco
336 chromosomes. Such determinants are known to influence polymerase directionality (49, 50).
337 Eventually, the resulting conserved orientation could facilitate the domestication of exogenous
338 sequences during horizontal transfer/introgression events between distant species. Whether these
339 RNA molecules are translated, and peptides of bacterial origins exist in the yeast cell, remains to
340 be determined. If so, they could provide a source of diversity and adaptation.

341

342 *Cohesin-mediated chromatin folding along non-transcribed DNA templates*

343 Cohesins have been proposed to actively extrude DNA loops until they encounter an obstacle
344 and/or a release signal (6, 32). In yeast and other species, these anchors are determined by a
345 combination of convergent transcription, replication fork progression during S phase and/or the
346 presence at these positions of stably bound cohesin promoting sister chromatid cohesion (51–53).
347 Here, we show that the barely transcribed Mmyco chromosome is compacted by cohesin at G2/M,
348 without focal loop anchoring, suggesting that transcription is neither necessary for loading nor a
349 primary driver for translocation. We propose that cohesins can move freely along this template
350 without encountering significant obstacles, making it a suitable model for studying potentially
351 blocking sequences or molecules.

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353 *Compartmentalization of transcriptionally inactive foreign DNA in host's nucleus*

354 We show that the introduction of a foreign DNA with a lower GC content spontaneously
355 promotes the formation of transcriptionally inactive chromatin which folds into an isolated
356 crumpled globule compartment at the periphery of the budding yeast nucleus (**Fig. 3E; Fig. S6H**),
357 a behavior that mirrors the metazoan compartment "B" formed by inactive, H3K9me3/HP1-
358 mediated heterochromatin, which is absent in yeast. In contrast, we find that chromatin assembled
359 on sequences with a composition similar to that of the host and transcriptionally active adopts a
360 random coil structure and intermixes with transcribed yeast chromosomes (**Fig. 5E**).

361 We further show that (1) high or low Pol. II occupancy can be accurately predicted in both
362 chromatin archetypes based on their sequence alone, and that (2) thiolutin treatment, a drug that
363 inhibits transcription by dissociating Pol. II from chromatin, reduces the segregation of U and Y
364 chromatin. These findings suggest that the recruitment of the transcriptional machinery, which
365 correlates to the underlying DNA sequence, directly contributes to the physical segregation of
366 adjacent Pol. II-depleted chromatin into a distinct, globular, inactive compartment. This behavior
367 may be explained by the different chromatin composition (e.g., acetylated histone tail residues or
368 intrinsically disordered proteins composing the transcription machinery) in each compartment

369 These different fates for two foreign chromosomal sequences raise interesting evolutionary
370 considerations in the context of the invasion of the genome by exogenous mobile elements. This
371 could lead either to the spontaneous isolation of inactive foreign DNA or, on the contrary, to the

372 co-option of a set of active sequences that could represent a reservoir of genetic innovations. We
373 show that an active chromatin region as small as 15 kb is not sensitive to the surrounding silenced
374 chromatin environment, suggesting that the harnessing of small genome-attuned regions could
375 readily occur during introgressions or HGT events. This sequence-dependent mechanism may
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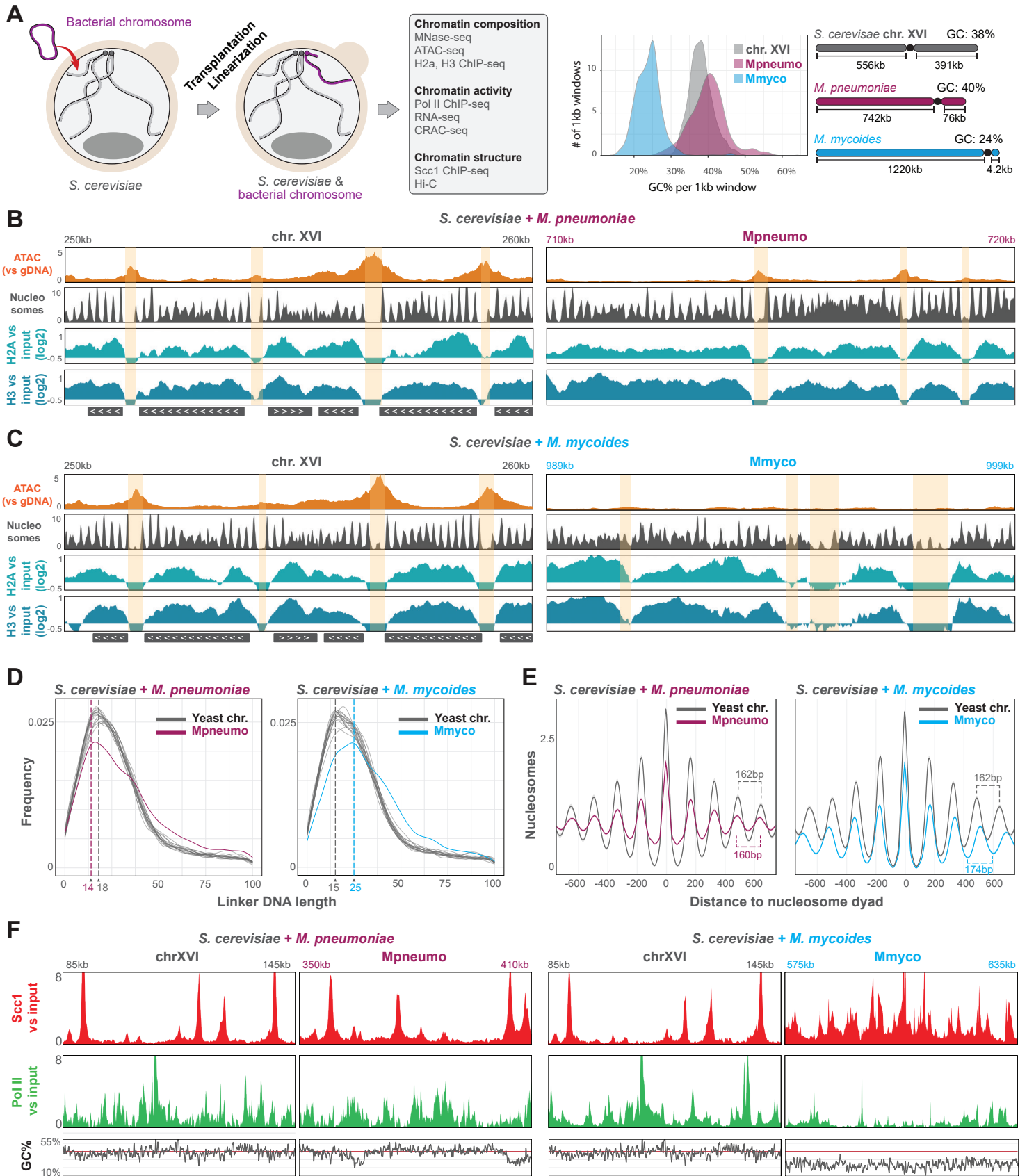


Fig. 1

1248 **Figure legends**

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1250 **Fig. 1. Chromatin composition of bacterial chromosomes integrated in yeast.**

1251 **A**, Schematic of the conversion from circular to linear chromosomes integrated in yeast. The
1252 purple and blue colors represent the *M. pneumoniae* (Mpneumo) and *M. mycoides* (Mmyco)
1253 bacterial sequence in all figures, respectively. Right: distribution of GC% for 1kb windows over
1254 yeast chromosome XVI, *M. pneumoniae* and *M. mycoides* chromosomes.

1255 **B**, ATAC-seq (orange, CPM), nucleosomal track (gray, see **Methods**) and H2A and H3 ChIP-seq
1256 (shades of blue, IP vs input, log₂) profiles obtained in the Mpneumo strain (*S. cerevisiae* + *M.*
1257 *pneumoniae*). 10kb-long genomic windows from the chromosome XVI (left: 250-260kb) and the
1258 Mpneumo chromosome (right: 710-720kb) are shown at the same scale. Nucleosome-depleted
1259 regions are highlighted in yellow.

1260 **C**, Same as **B** in the Mmyco strain (*S. cerevisiae* + *M. mycoides*). 10kb-long genomic windows
1261 from chromosome XVI (left: 250-260kb) and the Mmyco chromosome (right: 989-999kb) are
1262 shown at the same scale.

1263 **D**, Frequency of nucleosome linker DNA length in Mpneumo and Mmyco strains. For each strain,
1264 the distribution is calculated for each chromosome separately. The dashed line indicates 14 bp and
1265 the dotted line indicates 25 bp. The x axis only shows linker DNA lengths in the 0-100 bp range.

1266 **E**, Nucleosomal track centered on nucleosome peaks for *S. cerevisiae*, Mpneumo and Mmyco. The
1267 Y axis represents the average nucleosomal track (130-165 bp MNase-seq fragments, resized to
1268 40bp, piled-up and normalized to sequencing depth).

1269 **F**, Scc1 (red) and RNA Pol II (green) ChIP-seq profiles (IP vs input, log₂) obtained in the
1270 Mpneumo (left) or in the Mmyco (right) strains. For each strain, 60kb-long genomic windows
1271 from the bacterial chromosome and yeast chromosome XVI are shown at the same scale. GC% in
1272 sliding 1kb windows is shown below the ChIP-seq profiles.

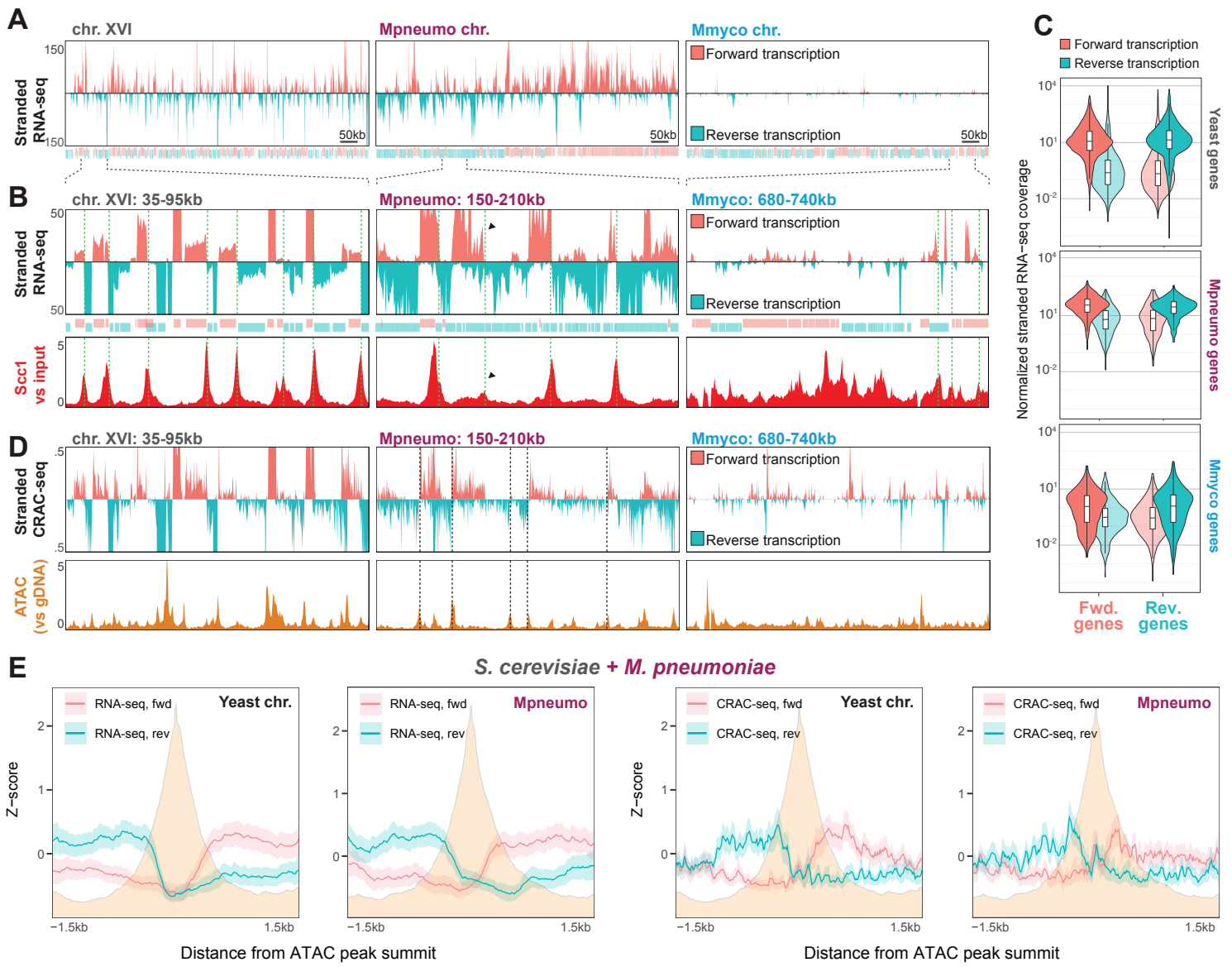


Fig. 2

1273 **Fig. 2. Transcriptional activity of exogenic bacterial sequences in budding yeast.**

1274 **A,** Stranded RNA-seq profiles along either yeast chromosome XVI or bacterial chromosomes
1275 Mpneumo and Mmyco. Forward (pink) and reverse (turquoise) genes along yeast or bacterial
1276 sequences are indicated as transparent segments under the tracks. Pink and turquoise represent
1277 forward and reverse transcription, respectively.

1278 **B,** Top: stranded RNA-seq profiles along a 60kb window along yeast chromosome XVI, Mpneumo
1279 or Mmyco. Bottom: Scc1 (cohesin) deposition profiles of the corresponding loci. Green dotted
1280 lines indicate identified loci of convergent transcription (see Methods). Black arrowheads:
1281 overlapping bidirectional transcription.

1282 **C,** Forward and reverse RNA-seq coverage of forward- and reverse-oriented yeast or bacterial
1283 genes. Scores are normalized by each genomic feature length.

1284 **D,** Top: stranded CRAC-seq profiles along the region shown in **B**. Bottom: corresponding ATAC-
1285 seq profile. Dotted lines point at sites of bidirectional initiation along Mpneumo.

1286 **E,** Metaplot of 3kb regions centered on ATAC peaks over yeast or Mpneumo chromosomes, of
1287 stranded RNA-seq (left panels) or CRAC-seq (right panels) profiles.

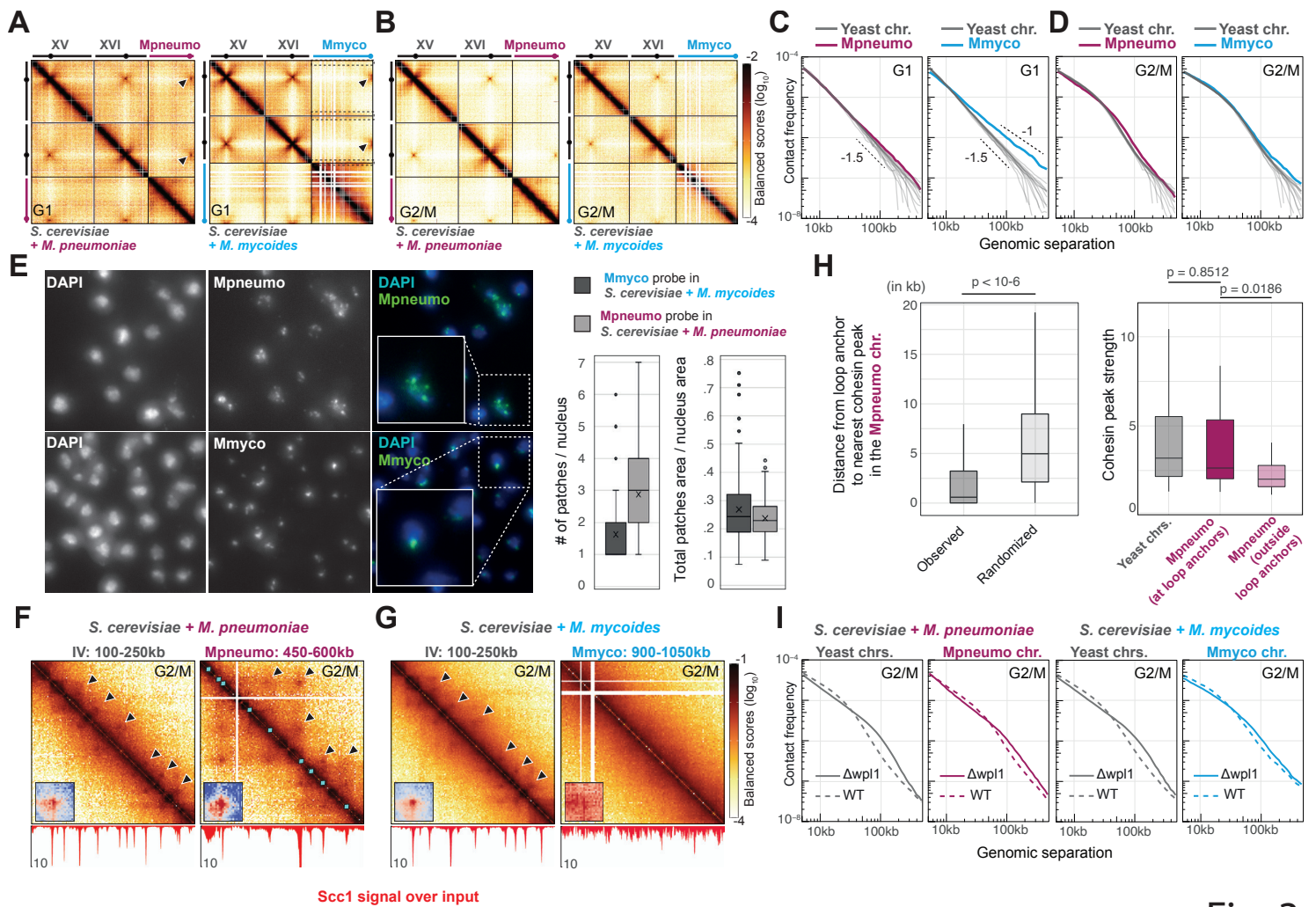


Fig. 3

1288 **Fig. 3. Spatial folding of exogenic bacterial sequences within the yeast nucleus.**
1289 **A, B,** Hi-C contact maps of representative endogenous and of Mmyco and Mpneumo bacterial
1290 chromosomes in G1 (**A**) and G2/M (**B**) (4kb resolution).
1291 **C, D,** Contact frequency (p) as a function of genomic distance (s) plots of endogenous yeast
1292 chromosomes (long arms) and of Mmyco and Mpneumo bacterial chromosomes in G1 (**C**) and
1293 G2/M (**D**).
1294 **E,** Left: FISH imaging. Representative field of either (top) Mpneumo or (bottom) Mmyco fixed
1295 cells labeled with DAPI (left panel) and hybridized with a fluorescent probe generated from either
1296 the Mpneumo or Mmyco chromosome, respectively. Right: For each probe, number of patches
1297 detected per nucleus and surface occupied by these patches relative to the whole nucleus surface
1298 (Methods).
1299 **F, G,** Top: magnification of 150kb windows from Hi-C contact maps in G2/M from either an
1300 endogenous or the bacterial chromosome in Mpneumo (**F**) and Mmyco (**G**) strains (1kb
1301 resolution). Bottom: Scc1 ChIP-seq deposition profile. Black arrowheads: loops. Cyan diamonds
1302 in Mpneumo Hi-C contact map: Scc1 peaks positions reported on the contact map diagonal. Inset
1303 in each map: *Chromosight* pileup of contacts between cohesin enrichment peaks along either *S.*
1304 *cerevisiae* or bacterial chromosomes (see **Methods**).
1305 **H,** Left: distance between chromatin loop anchors and the nearest Scc1 peak in Mpneumo (with
1306 and without a random shuffle of peak positions). Right: Scc1 peak strengths in yeast or Mpneumo
1307 chromosome, near ($< 1\text{kb}$) or outside loop anchors (p -values from two-sided Student's t-test).
1308 **I,** Distance-dependent contact frequency in endogenous yeast and in bacterial chromosomes (left,
1309 Mpneumo; right, Mmyco), in WT (dashed) and in Δwpl1 mutants.

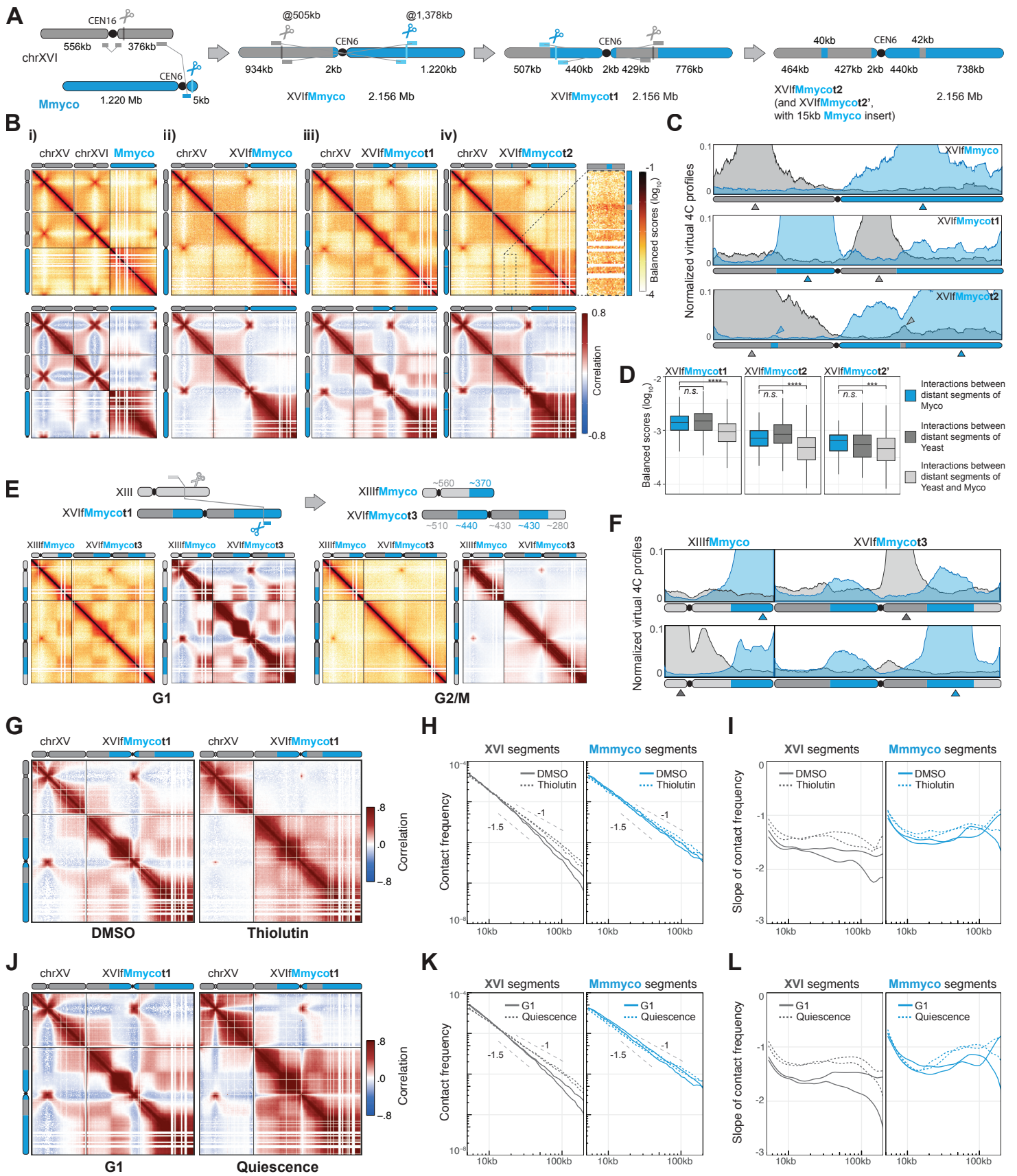


Fig. 4

1310 **Fig. 4. Compartmentalization of mosaic chromosomes composed of Y and U-type chromatin.**

1311 **A**, Schematic representation of the CRISPR strategy used to generate the Mmyco mosaic
1312 chromosomes with alternating Y and U chromatin regions.

1313 **B**, Top: G1 Hi-C contact maps of chr. XV, XVI, and bacterial chromosomes in the Mmyco strain,
1314 and in translocated derivatives from panel **A**) (4kb resolution). Bottom: correlation matrices of the
1315 corresponding contact maps.

1316 **C**, Virtual 4C profiles of viewpoints (indicated as gray/blue arrowheads) located within yeast
1317 segments (in gray) or Mmyco chromosome segments (in blue) of the chimeric chromosome XVI,
1318 in XVIfMmyco (top), XVIfMmycot1 (middle) and XVIfMmycot2 (bottom) strains.

1319 **D**, Quantification of long-range interactions (800kb-1.5Mb) between pairs of distant Mmyco
1320 segments (blue), pairs of distant yeast segments (gray) and interactions between a Mmyco segment
1321 and a yeast segment (light gray), in double-translocation XVIfMmyco (top), XVIfMmycot1
1322 (middle) and XVIfMmycot2 (bottom) strains.

1323 **E**, Left: Schematic representation of the CRISPR strategy used to generate the mosaic
1324 XVIfMmycot3 strain with alternating yeast and Mmyco segments in chromosomes XIII and XVI.
1325 Middle: G1 Hi-C maps of mosaic chromosomes XIII and XVI in XVIfMmycot3 strain. Same color
1326 scales as in **B**.

1327 **F**, Virtual 4C profiles of viewpoints located within yeast segments (gray arrowheads) or Mmyco
1328 segments (blue arrowheads) of the chimeric chromosomes XIII and XVI, in the XVIfMmycot3
1329 strain.

1330 **G**, Correlation matrices of the contacts in chr. XV and XVIfMmycot1 in G1, after the addition of
1331 DMSO (left) or thiolutin (right). Same color scale as in **B**.

1332 **H**, Contact frequency (p) as a function of genomic distance (s), for contacts in yeast segments
1333 (gray) or Mmyco segments (blue) of the chimeric chromosome XVIfMmycot1, in G1 after the
1334 addition of DMSO (solid) or thiolutin (dotted).

1335 **I**, Derivatives of curves from **H**.

1336 **J**, Chr. XV and XVIfMmycot1 correlation maps in G1 or in quiescence. Same color scale as in **B**.

1337 **K**, Same $p(s)$ as in **H**, but in G1 and quiescence.

1338 **L**, Derivatives of curves from **K**.

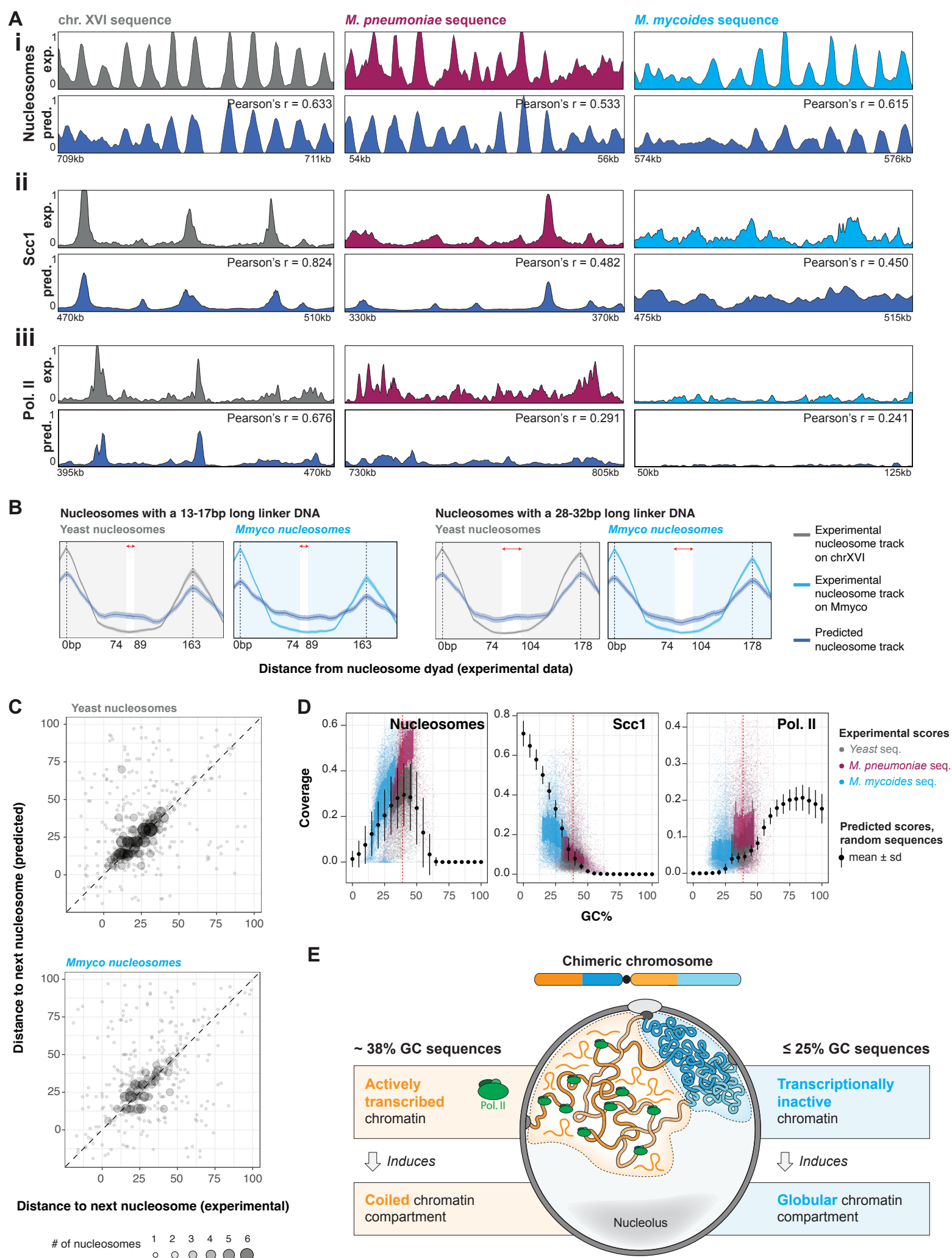


Fig. 5

1339 **Fig. 5. DNA sequence is sufficient to predict Y/U chromatin composition**

1340 **A**, Experimental (top) and NN prediction (bottom, dark blue) of nucleosome tracks or Scc1 and
1341 Pol II ChIP-seq coverage tracks, over yeast chromosome XVI or over Mmyco and Mpneumo
1342 bacterial chromosomes in yeast. Signals have been smoothed using a sliding genomic window of
1343 10 bp (nucleosome tracks) or 500 bp (ChIP-seq). For each chromosome, the Pearson correlation
1344 score was computed between experimental and predicted scores, using averaged scores over non-
1345 overlapping 10 bp bins for nucleosomes or 500 bp bins for ChIP-seq. Bins with an average score
1346 lower than 0.01 were excluded.

1347 **B**, Nucleosome tracks (gray or light blue: experimental; dark blue: predicted), aligned at
1348 experimental dyads of yeast or Mmmcyo nucleosomes (position 0 on the X axis). Nucleosomes
1349 are grouped by the length of their linker DNA (experimentally computed, and represented by a red
1350 double-helix separating consecutive nucleosomes). Dotted lines indicate the position of
1351 nucleosome dyads (centered at 0 bp and 163 or 178 bp), and shaded areas represent nucleosome-
1352 occupied regions (± 74 bp around dyads).

1353 **C**, Correlation between predicted and experimental linker DNA lengths, for yeast (left) and
1354 Mmmcyo (right) nucleosomes. Only nucleosomes whose dyads are aligned $\leq \pm 2$ bp between
1355 experimental and predicted nucleosome track are considered.

1356 **D**, Nucleosome, Scc1 and Pol II ChIP-seq average predicted scores in 2kb (nucleosome) or 30kb-
1357 long (ChIP-seq) sequences. Scores predicted from random sequences with varying GC content are
1358 shown as mean \pm sd in black, and average scores predicted from chromosome sequences of
1359 individual genomes are shown as colored points. Average experimental scores in 100 bp sequences
1360 along yeast, Mmyco and Mpneumo chromosomes are also shown as gray, blue or purple dots
1361 (scores of the middle half for each GC% unit are in bold).

1362 **E**, Schematic of a chimeric chromosome composed of alternating Y- and U-type chromatin.

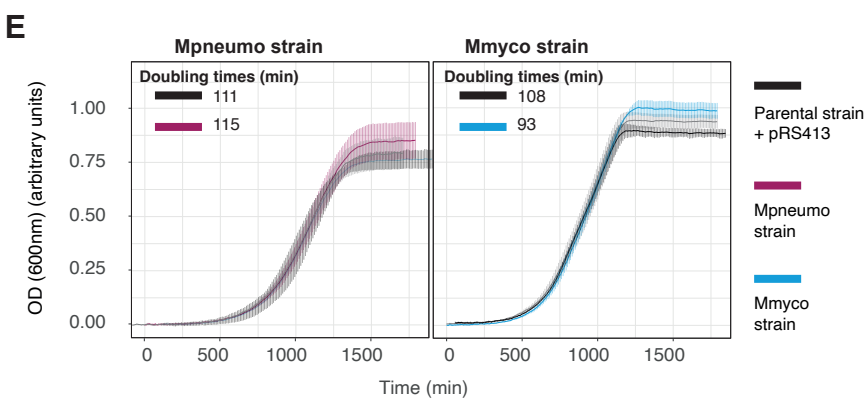
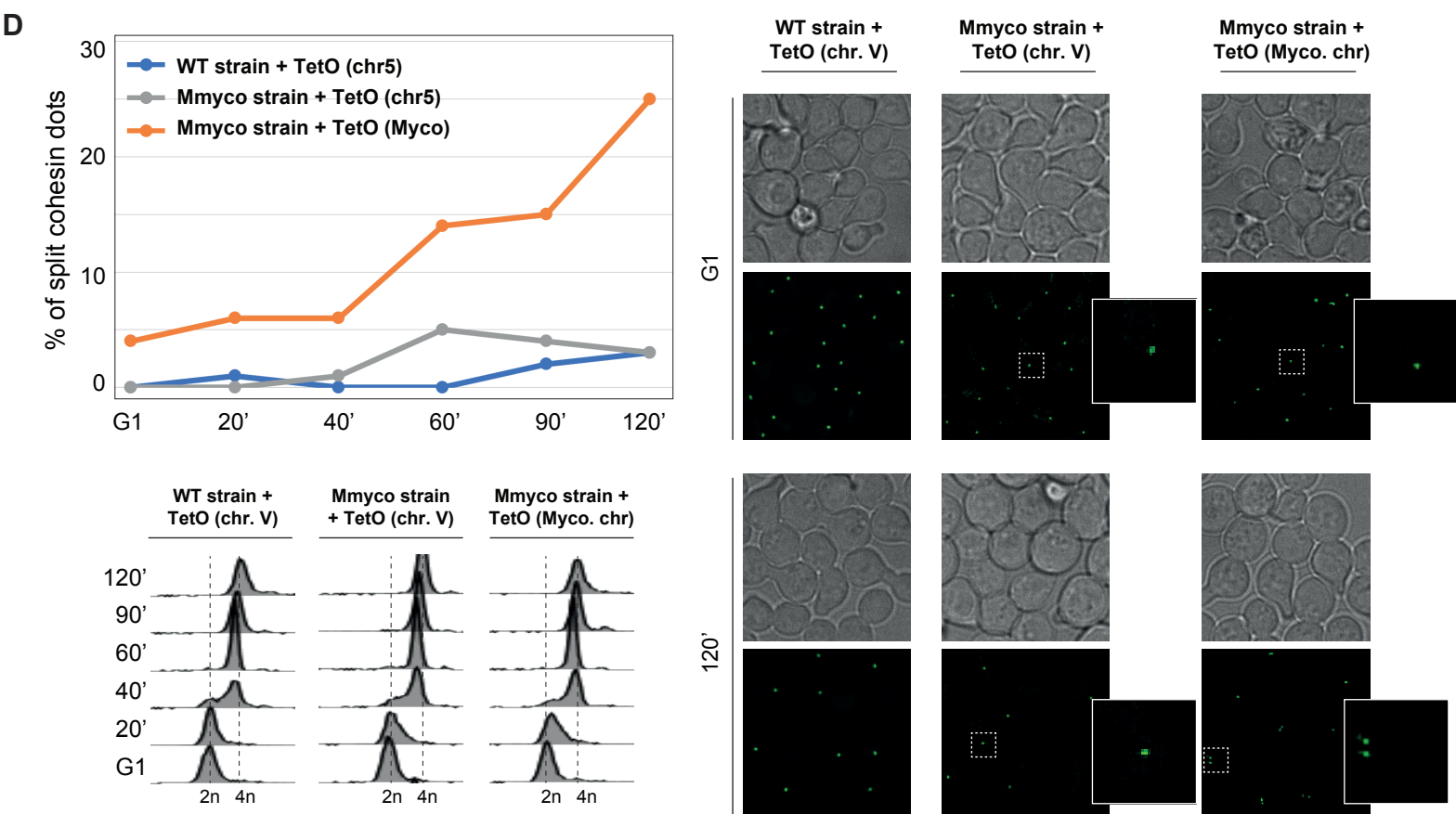
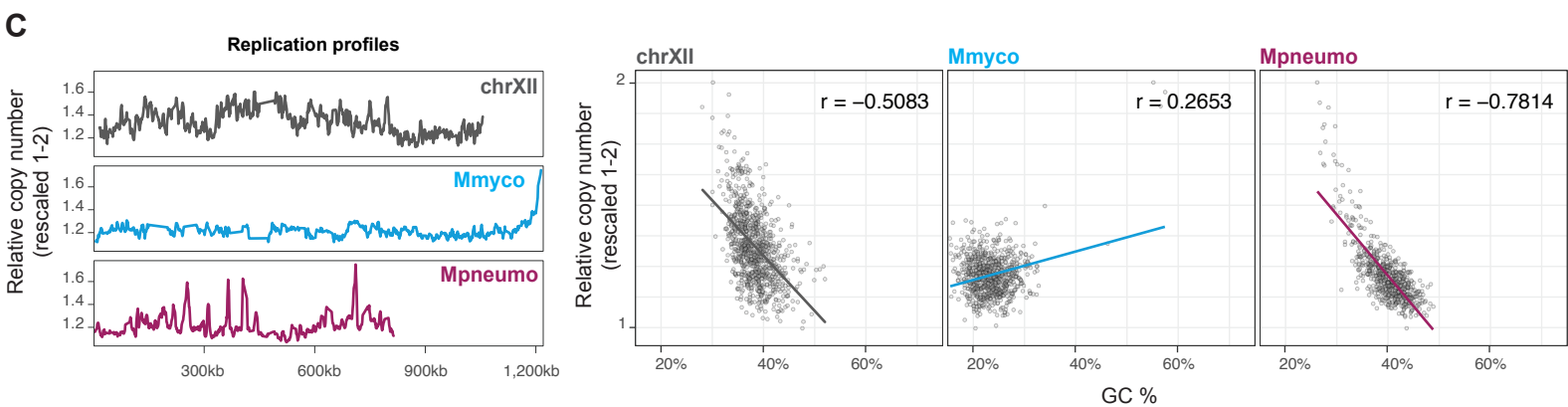
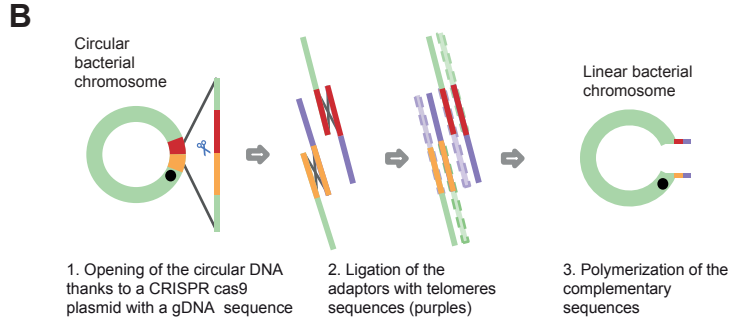
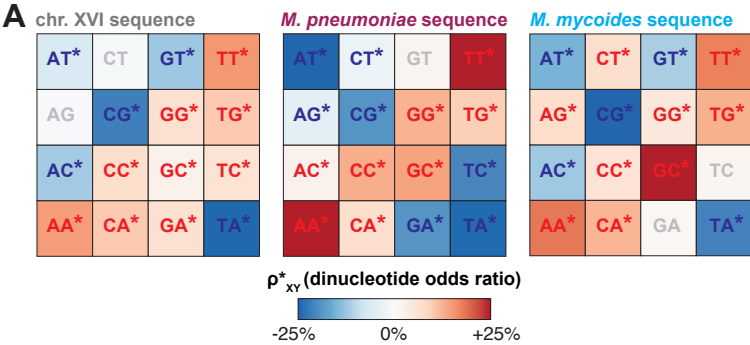
Supplementary Text

Replication and pairing of artificial chromosomes

DNA sequence composition and chromatin factors, including nucleosomes, are essential drivers of the replication timing, prompting us to investigate how this timing is established in Y and U chromatin (96).

In yeast, replication initiates at the level of discrete, small autonomous replication sequences (ARS) positioned along all chromosomes. To investigate the replication timing profile of both bacterial chromosomes, which did not spontaneously evolve to contain these sequences, we used Repliscore (Methods)(83). Mpneumo Repliscore profile exhibits DNA copy number variation comparable to that observed along chrXII, indicative of early or mid-S phase firing of multiple replication origins (Fig. S1C). This copy number is anti-correlated with GC%, consistent with AT-rich regions replicating earlier. In contrast, DNA copy number variation along Mmyco unveils the early firing of only the centromere-proximal ARS which was artificially integrated during chromosome assembly (Fig. S1C). The average copy number of the rest of the Mmyco chromosome appears flat and is not anti-correlated with the GC%. Thus, the replication of U-type chromatin occurs later during the S phase despite its AT-rich sequence composition. These observations confirm the predominant role of chromatin composition in the replication timing, and indicate a heterochromatin-like effect exerted by the U-type chromatin. This pattern is reminiscent of the random and late-replication pattern displayed by the human inactive chromosome X (93).

DNA replication and SCC are closely related as cohesion is established during S phase through entrapment of sister DNA molecules by cohesin rings as the replication fork progresses (20). We therefore investigated SCC by performing image analysis of chromosome pairing (Methods; Fig. S1D). Despite the strong enrichment in Scc1 deposition, SCC in Mmyco appears significantly reduced, in agreement with the flat replication pattern suggesting a late and random initiation of the replication process. On the other hand, the endogenous yeast chromosomes in Mmyco strain did not display a significant decrease in SCC (Fig. S1D), despite the apparent loss of cohesin at centromeres.



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Percent (*P*) chromosome-carrying cells

	After 10 doublings selective	After <i>g</i> doublings nonselective	Segregation rate	
	P_1	g	P_2	m
Mmyco.	91.07	11.72	74.8	1.7
Mpneumo.	76.8	11.70	50.7	3.5

Fig. S1

Fig. S1. Characterization of Mpneumo and Mmyco strains metabolism.

A, Dinucleotide over-representation ($\rho^*(XY)$) in yeast chromosome XVI, Mpneumo and Mmyco chromosomes.

B, Schematic representation of the CRISPR-Cas9 strategy applied to linearize and telomerize the circular bacterial genomes.

C, MFA (replication profile) analysis of a representative WT yeast chromosome, and of Mmcyo and Mpneumo chromosomes.

D, Cohesin split dot assays in WT strain (TetO array in chr. V), or in Myco strain (TetO array in chr. V or Myco. chromosome). Top left: % of split cohesin dots in each strain upon G1-release; bottom left: cell ploidy upon G1-release; right: representative cohesin immuofluorescence imaging in each strain following G1-release.

E, Growth curves of WT, Mpneumo and Mmyco strains. For each strain, 3 independent cultures were performed. A pRS413 centromeric plasmid similar to the one onto which bacterial chromosomes were originally cloned is included in the WT strain as a control.

F, The chromosome stability and the segregation rate were measured as described in (66) (**Methods**). Yeast strains used are RSG_Y712 (Mmyco linear) and RSG_Y960 (Mpneumo linear). P1: % of bacterial chromosome-carrying cells in selective media. g: number of doubling. P2: of bacterial chromosome-carrying cells after 12 generations in non-selective media. m: segregation rate, i.e. % of plasmid-free segregants appearing in the final population after a single doubling.

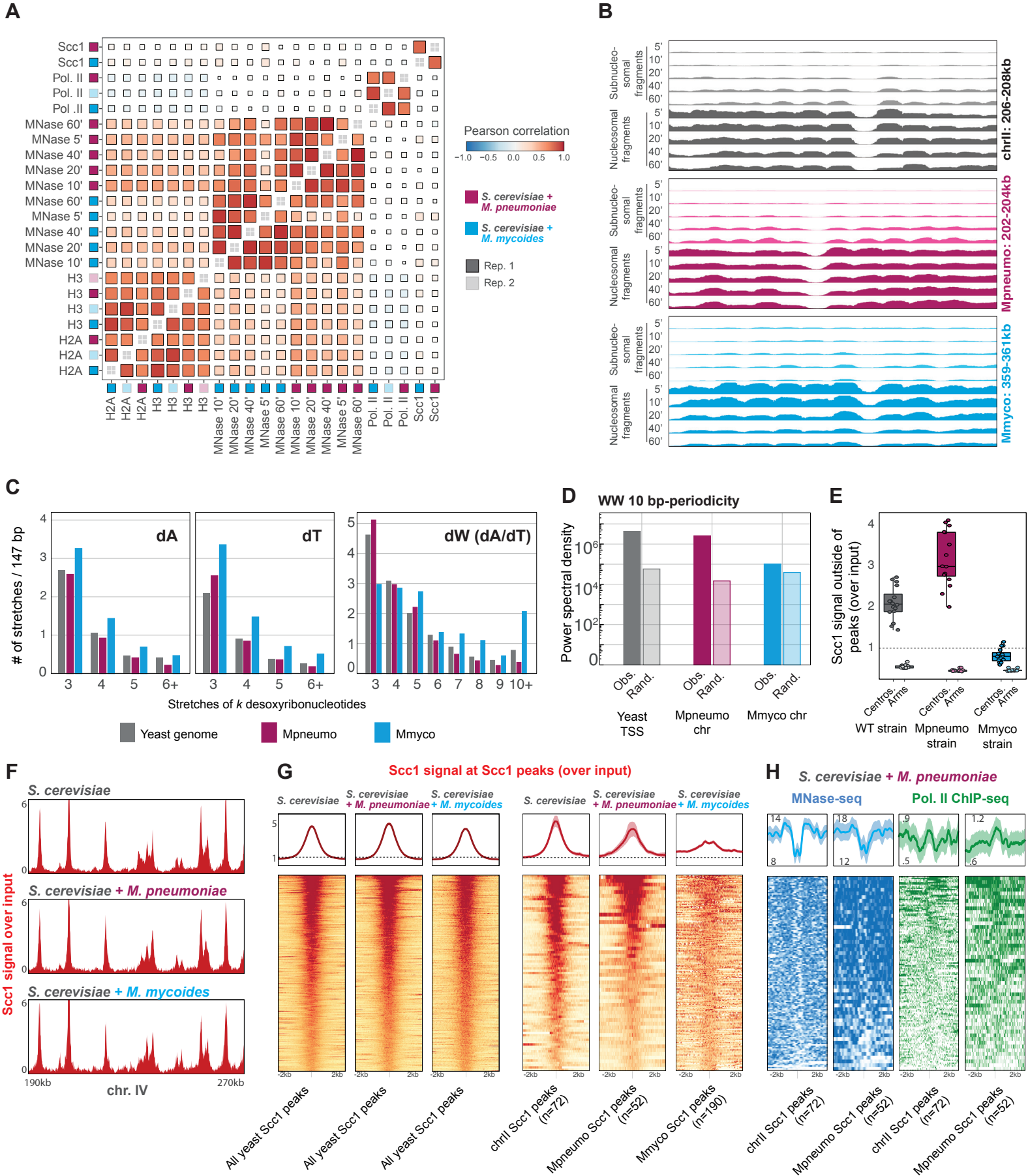


Fig. S2

Fig. S2. Replication of bacterial genomes in yeast.

A, Pearson correlation between replicates of MNase and ChIP experiments. Bin size: 100bp.

B, Coverage of sub-nucleosomal (smaller than 130bp) or nucleosomal (between 130 and 165bp) fragments over 2kb-long genomic loci from chr. II, Mpneumo and Mmyco chromosomes, over an MNase digestion timecourse. All the tracks are displayed at the same scale (0-20 CPM).

C, Number of poly-dA, poly-dT and poly-dW (dA/dT) stretches of various lengths in the yeast genome and over the Mpneumo and Mmyco chromosomes. Stretch numbers are scaled to 147bp.

D, Power spectral density (PSD) of WW 10-bp periodicity, in 300bp-long sequences centered over yeast TSSs or along the Mpneumo or Mmyco chromosomes. Random sequences were generated by shuffling actual sequences while preserving dinucleotide frequency.

E, Cohesin (Scc1) enrichment over yeast centromeres and yeast arms in WT, Mpneumo and Mmyco strains. Scc1 signal over arms was calculated outside of any Scc1 peak.

F, Representative 80kb window of Scc1 ChIP-seq deposition signal over yeast chr. IV in the WT, Mpneumo, and Mmyco strains.

G, Aggregated profile of Scc1 deposition centered at Scc1 peaks (+/- 2kb) called over all endogenous (left panels) or only chr. II (right panels) yeast chromosomes in the WT, Mpneumo and Mmyco strains.

H, Aggregated profile of MNase-seq (blue) or Pol. II (green) deposition centered at Scc1 peaks (+/- 2kb) called over the yeast chromosome II (left) or the Mpneumo chromosome (right).

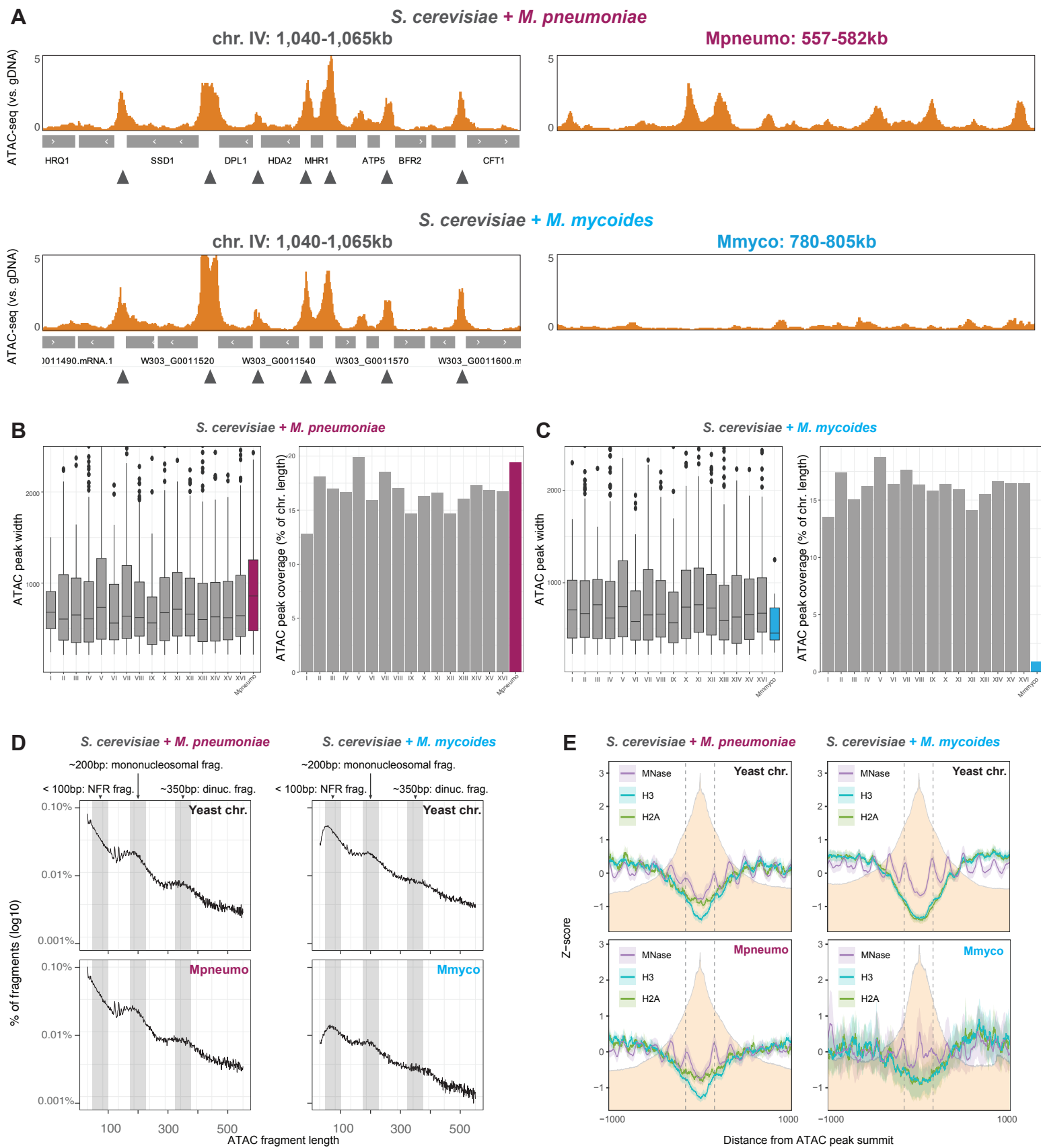


Fig. S3

Fig. S3. Chromatin accessibility of bacterial chromosomes in yeast.

A, ATAC-seq profiles (chromatin/gDNA) obtained in the Mpneumo strain (*S. cerevisiae* + *M. pneumoniae*) and Mmyco strain (*S. cerevisiae* + *M. mycoides*) (10kb-long genomic windows over the chromosome IV, Mpneumo and Mmyco chromosomes).

B-C, ATAC-seq analysis comparing *S. cerevisiae* with *M. pneumoniae* (**B**) or with *M. mycoides* (**C**). Boxplots display ATAC peak widths and barplots summarize the total % of each chromosome covered by ATAC-seq peaks.

D, ATAC-seq fragment length distribution for *S. cerevisiae* combined with *M. pneumoniae* (left) and *M. mycoides* (right). ATAC-seq fragments obtained from nucleosome-free regions (<100 bp), mononucleosomal (~200 bp), and dinucleosomal (~350 bp) fragments are highlighted.

E, Average signal of nucleosome and histone ChIP-seq tracks over ATAC-seq peaks.

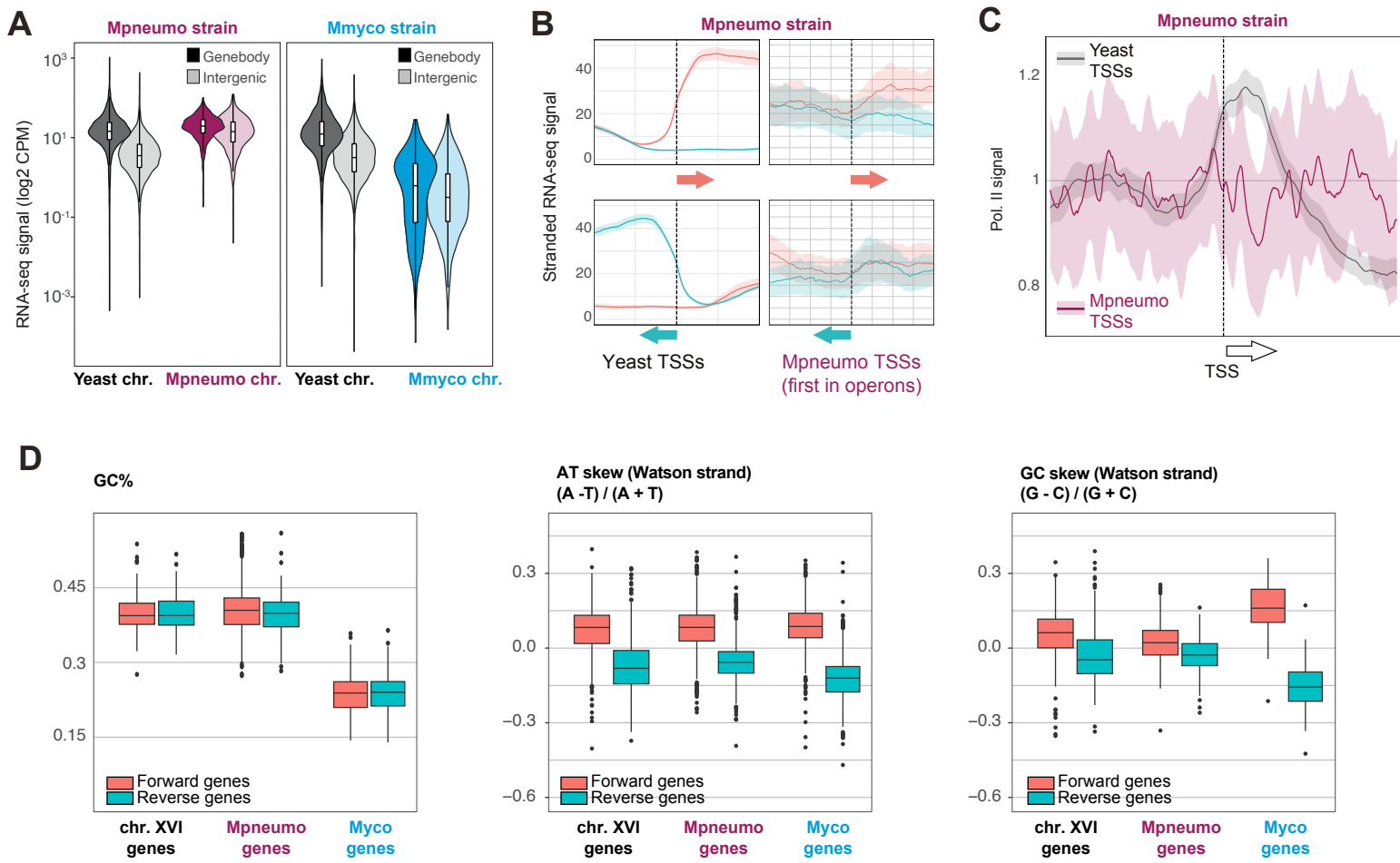


Fig. S4

Fig. S4. Transcription orientation of bacterial chromosomes in yeast.

A, RNA-seq average signal over yeast or bacterial gene bodies and intergenic regions, in Mpneumo and Mmyco strains. Scores were normalized by the length of each genomic feature (CPM: counts per million of sequenced fragments).

B, Stranded analysis of RNA-seq data in Pneumo. strain. Pile-up of 1kb windows centered on transcription start sites (TSS) of genes either in the forward (Top) or reverse (Bottom) orientation. Left: endogenous yeast genes. Right: TSS of the first gene of annotated operons along the *M. pneumoniae* sequence.

C, Pol. II ChIP-seq coverage analysis in Pneumo strain. Pile-up of 2kb windows centered on transcription start sites (TSS). Grey: endogenous yeast genes. Purple: TSS of the first gene of annotated operons along the *M. pneumoniae* sequence.

D, GC content (left), average AT (middle) and GC (right) skews (computed on Watson strand) over yeast, Myco and Mpneumo forward or reverse genes.

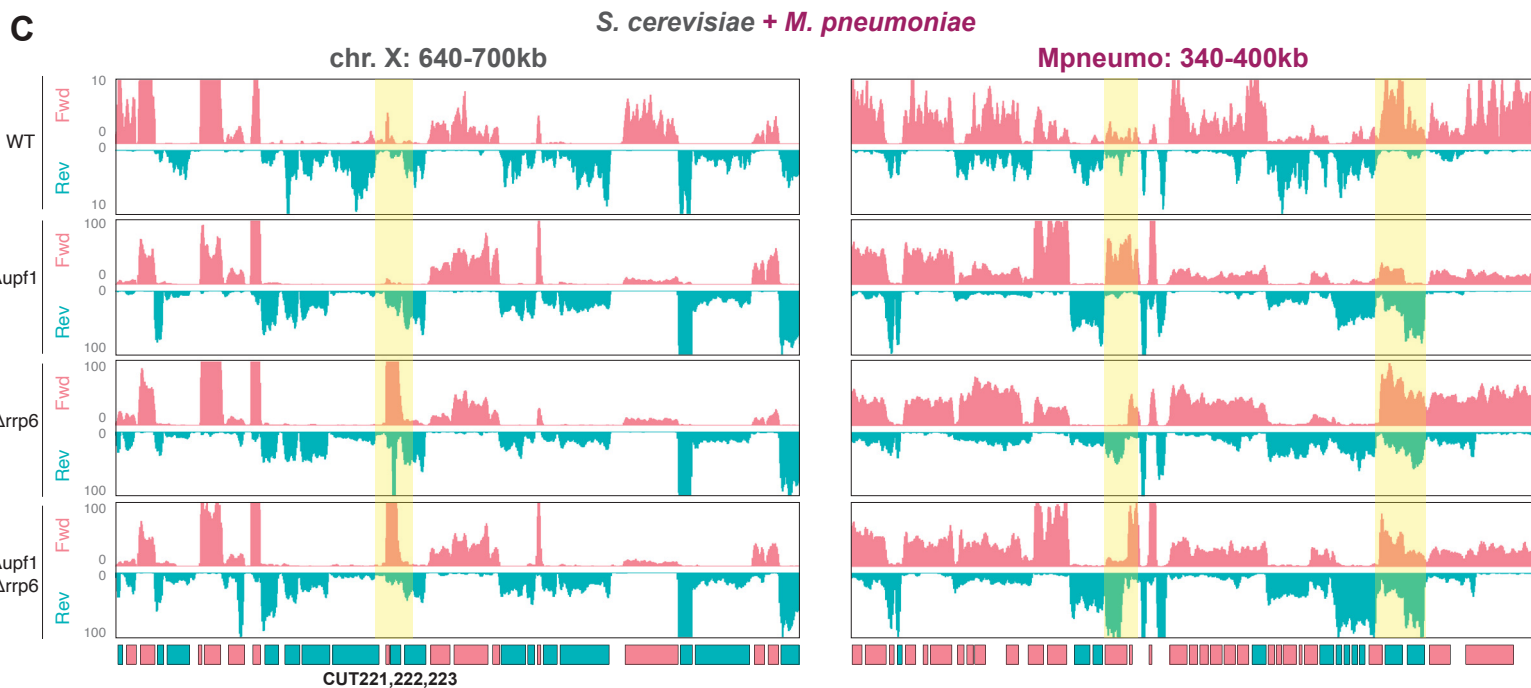
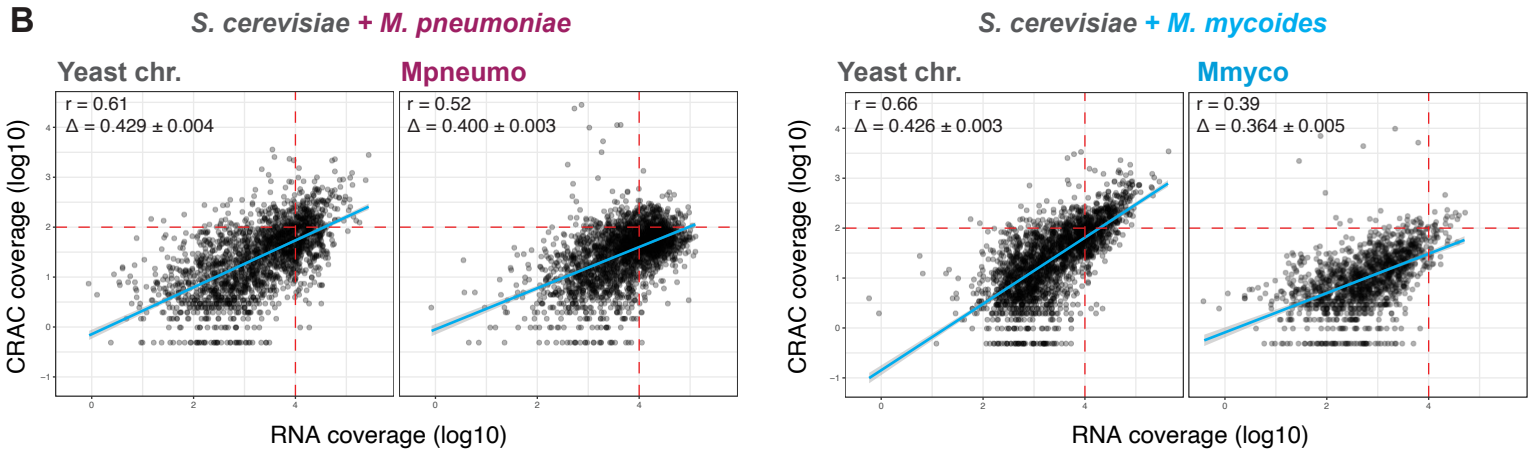
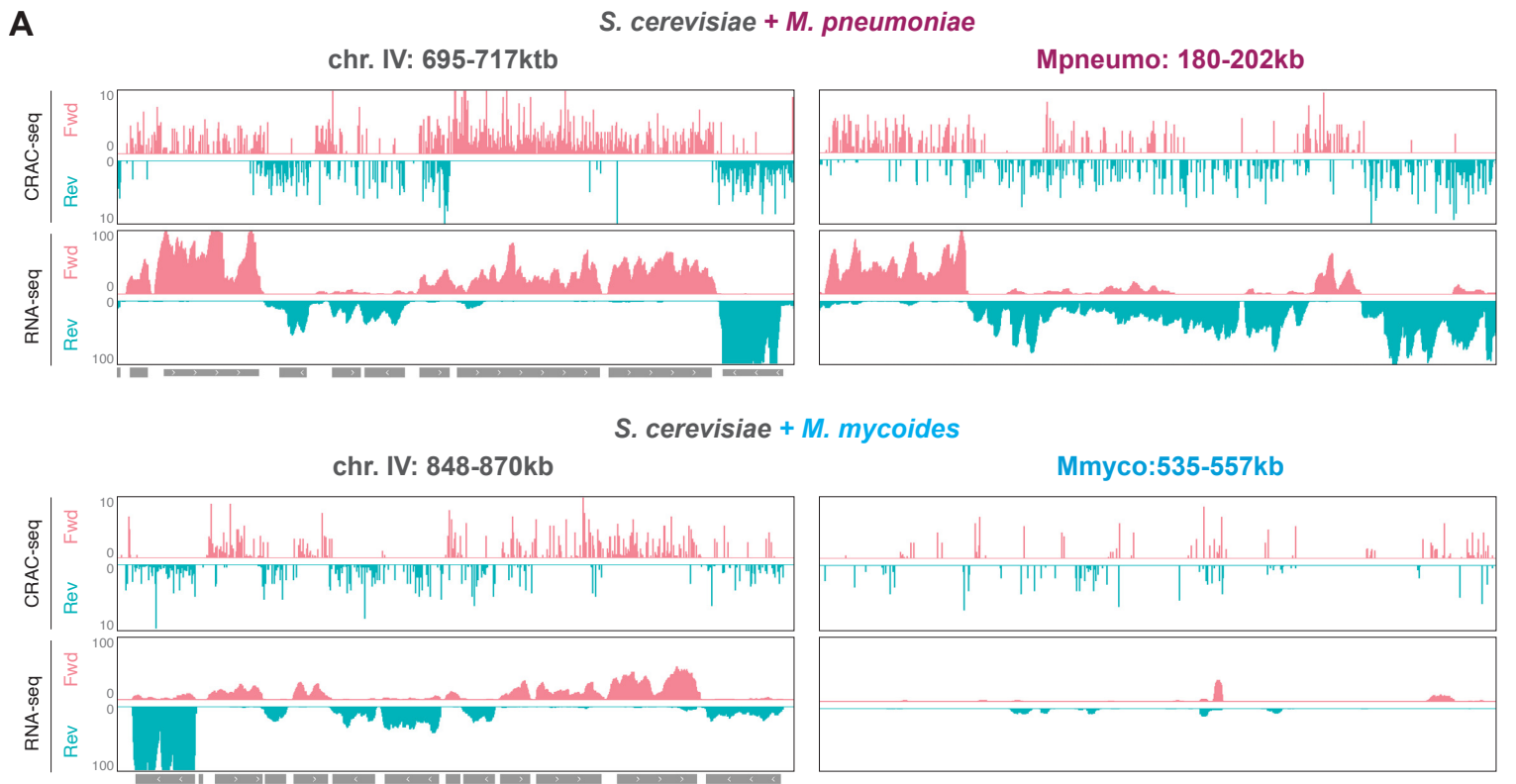


Fig. S5

Fig. S5. Nascent transcription of bacterial chromosomes in yeast.

A. Stranded CRAC-seq and RNA-seq profiles along chr. IV, Mpneumo and Mmyco chromosomes (CPM). Forward transcription profiles are shown in pink, and reverse transcription profiles are shown in turquoise.

B, Relationship between CRAC and RNA coverage, in *S. cerevisiae* strains with *M. pneumoniae* (left) or with *M. mycoides* chromosome (right).

C, Stranded RNA-seq profiles of Mpneumo strains in WT or Δ upf1, Δ rrp6 and Δ upf1/ Δ rrp6 mutants, along chr. X or Mpneumo chromosomes. Forward transcription profiles are shown in pink, and reverse transcription profiles are shown in turquoise.

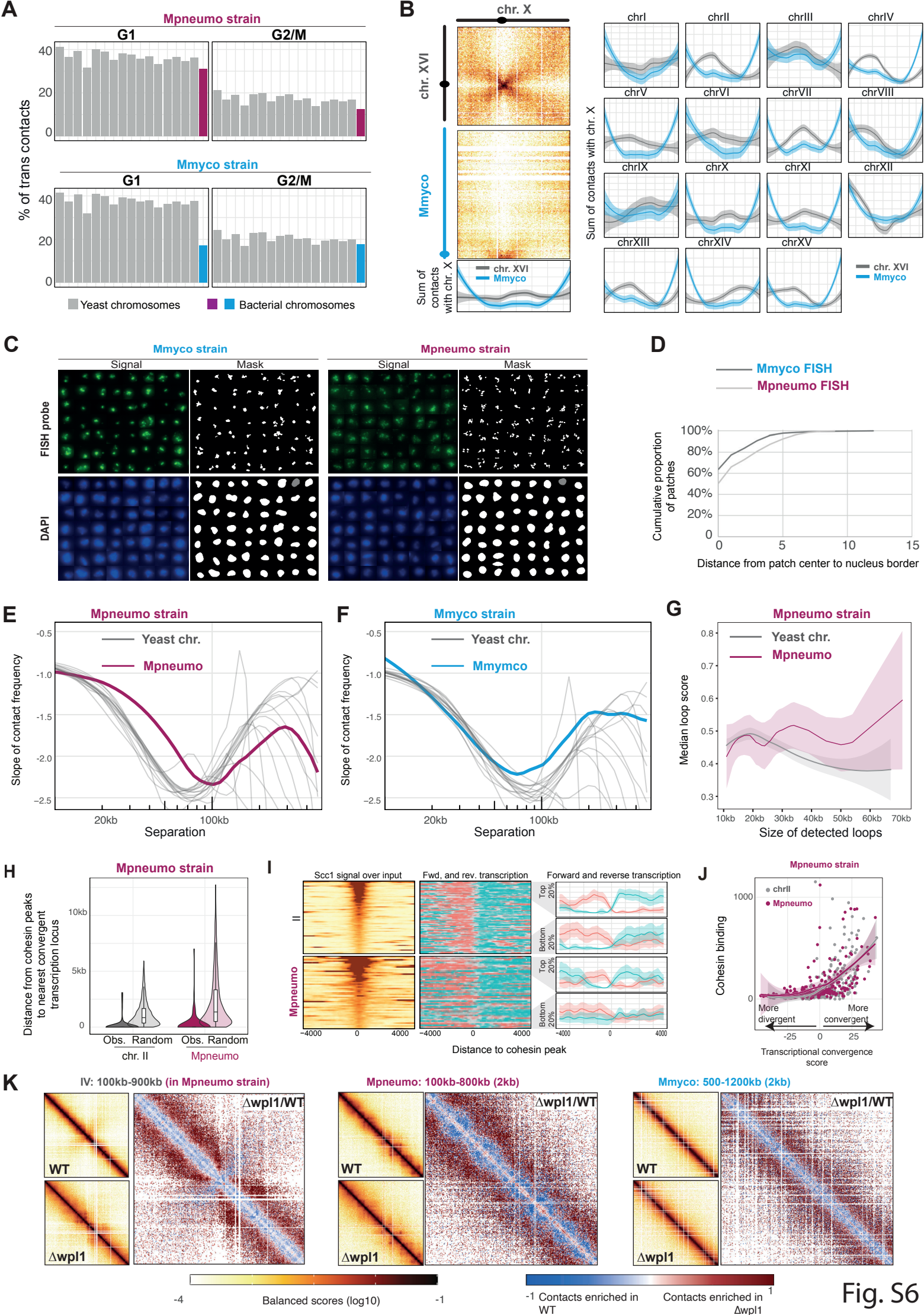


Fig. S6

Fig. S6. Folding of exogenic bacterial sequences within the yeast nucleus.

A, % of total trans-contacts made by endogenous yeast chromosomes, Mmyco (top) or Mpneumo (bottom) bacterial chromosomes, in G1 or G2/M.

B, Left: quantification of contacts between the entire Mmyco chromosome (blue) and endogenous yeast chr. X (grey). Right: similar analysis for the other 15 endogenous yeast chromosomes. Note the increase of Myco. contacts at yeast telomeres.

C, Series of nuclei from Mpneumo or Mmyco fixed cells labeled with DAPI and hybridized with a fluorescent probe generated from either purified Mmyco (left) or Mpneumo (right) chromosome (top row: probe signal; bottom row: DAPI signal).

D, Distance between the patch of fluorescent signal from either the Mmyco or Mpneumo chromosomes and the nucleus border. Note that the Mmyco patches are located closer to the nucleus border than Mpneumo ones.

E, F, Slope of distance-dependent contact frequency of endogenous yeast chromosomes and bacterial chromosomes in G2/M Mpneumo (**C**) and Mmyco (**D**) strains.

G, Distance-dependent loop scores (computed using Chromosight (84)) for loops along either endogenous (grey) or Mpneumo (purple) chromosomes.

H, Distance measured between cohesin peaks and their nearest convergent transcription locus, for peaks located in chr. II or in Mpneumo chromosome. Expected distances, measured after randomly shuffling the position of the cohesin peaks 100 times, are also shown.

I, Left: aggregated profile of Scc1 deposition centered at Scc1 peaks (\pm 4kb) called over chr. II (top) or Mpneumo (bottom), with peaks ordered by peak strength. Middle: corresponding stranded transcription tracks, colored according to their forward or reverse orientation. Right: for chr. II or Mpneumo chromosome, average forward and reverse transcription over the 20% strongest or 20% weakest Scc1 peaks.

J, Correlation between Scc1 (cohesin) binding and convergent transcription strength (see Methods) in chr. II and in Mpneumo chromosome.

K, For yeast chromosome IV, Mpneumo and Mmyco: Left, Hi-C contact maps of the endogenous yeast chromosome IV of the Mpneumo strain synchronized in G2/M in either WT and Wpl1 depleted cells (Δ wpl1); Right, corresponding chr. IV ratio map (Δ wpl1 over WT). Red (or blue) indicate enriched (or depleted) contacts in Δ wpl1.

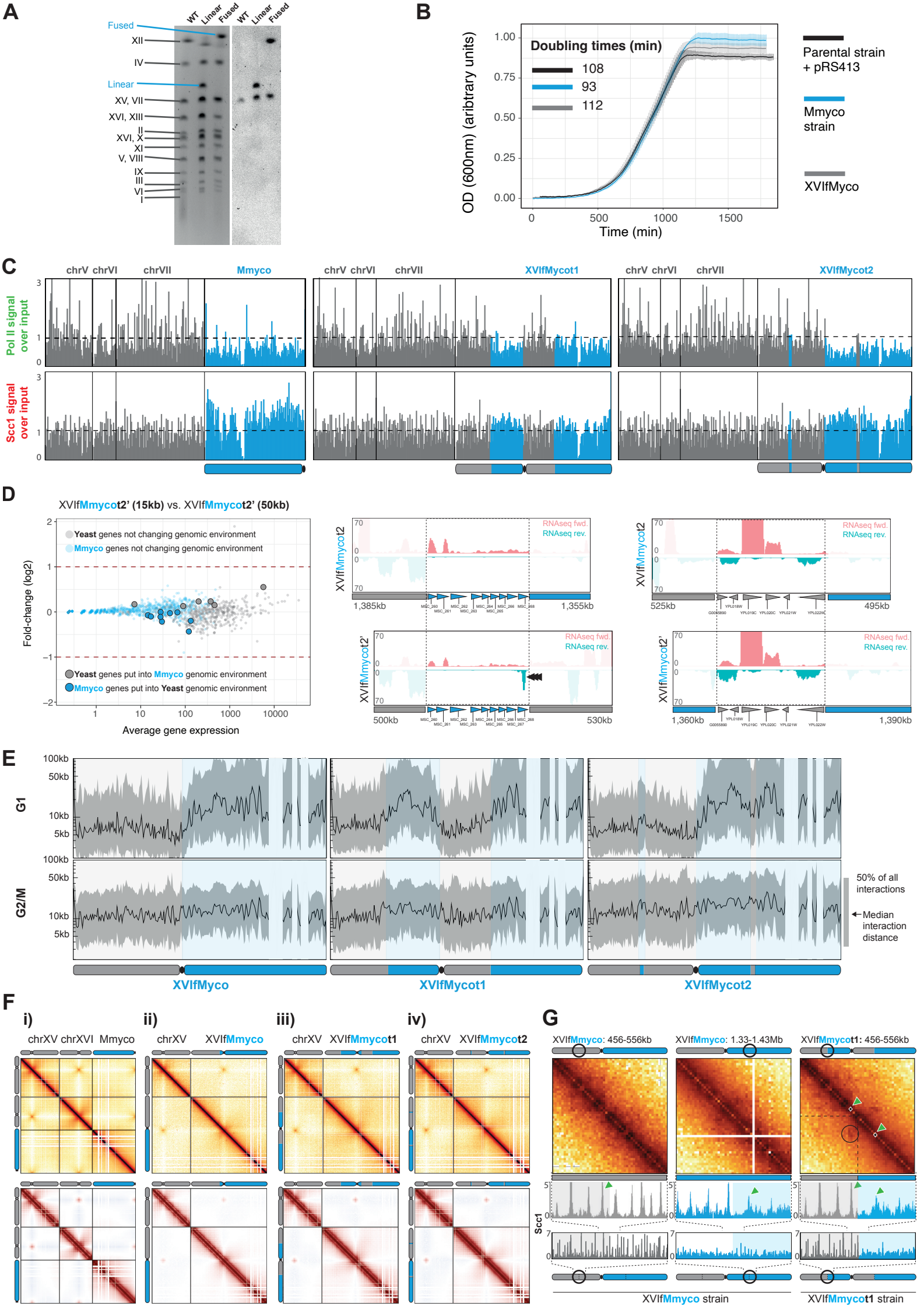


Fig. S7. Compartmentalization of mosaic chromosomes composed of Y and U-type chromatin.

A, Left: pulsed-field gel electrophoresis of chromosomes from yeast strains containing the Mmyco chromosome, either linear or fused with endogenous yeast chr. XVI (XVIfMmyco strain). Right: Southern blot hybridization using a his-3 probe present on the Mmyco chromosome sequence (note that his-3 is also present on the endogenous chr. XV in the parental yeast strain).

B, Growth curves of WT, Mmyco and XVIfMmyco strains.

C, Pol. II (top) and Scc1 (bottom) ChIP-seq deposition profiles along three representative yeast chromosomes and Mmyco chromosome (left) and mosaic chromosomes in XVIfMmycot1 (center) and XVIfMmycot2 (right) strains. Bin size: 10kb.

D, Expression fold-change (\log_2) against average expression, for genes located in yeast segments or Mmmcyo segments, between the XVIfMmycot2 and the XVIfMmycot2' strains. Genomic tracks illustrating stranded RNA-seq coverage over yeast (gray) and Mmmcyo (blue) genes, and their surrounding sequences (yeast: gray; Mmmcyo: blue).

E, Average distance of interaction along the fused and mosaic Mmyco chromosomes: XVIfMmyco (left), XVIfMmycot1 (center) and XVIfMmycot2 (right). The shaded ribbon represents the interval between the 25% and 75% quantile of distance of interactions.

F, Top: G2/M Hi-C contact maps of chr. XV, XVI, and bacterial chromosomes in the Mmyco strain, and in its derivatives (i.e. the chr. XVI and Mmyco fusion, and the two strains with translocations resulting in alternating Y and U chromatin segments; Methods). Bottom: correlation contact matrices in wt and mosaic chromosomes strains. The color scales are the same as in Fig. 4B.

G, Hi-C contact maps in G2/M of 100 kb window of either the XVIfMmyco (left and center) or XVIfMmycot1 (right) chromosomes, centered on the translocation position of the XVIfMmycot1 chromosome. In XVIfMmycot1, this window is effectively centered at the junction between the yeast chr. XVI segment (upstream) and the Myco chromosome segment (downstream). The Scc1 deposition profile measured by ChIP-seq in each strain is shown underneath each contact map. Green arrows: cohesin peaks flanking the junction between the yeast and the Myco segments in the XVIfMmycot1 chromosome..

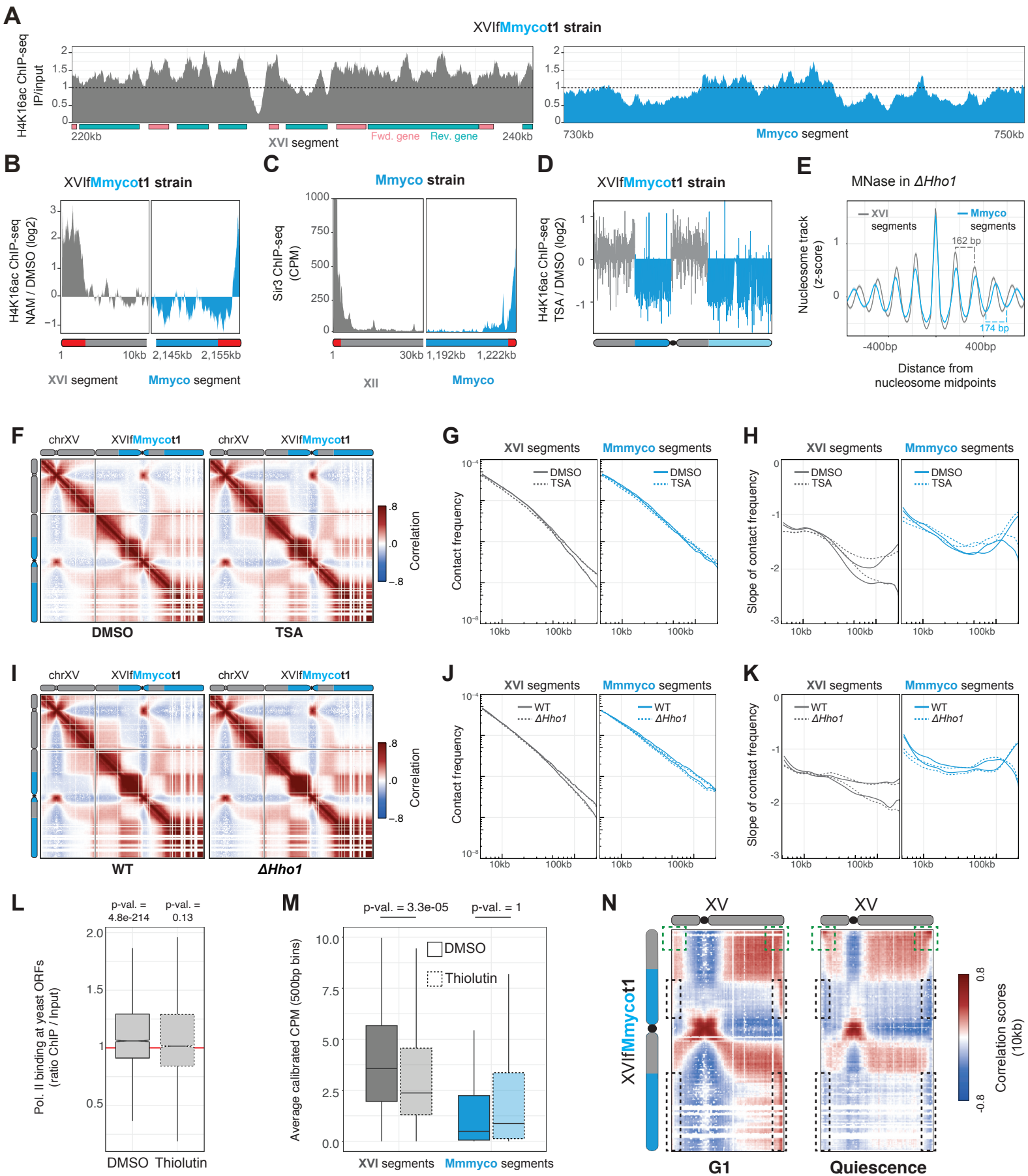


Fig. S8

Fig. S8. Functional investigation of heterochromatinization mechanisms of U-type compartment.

A, H4K16ac ChIP-seq profile (ratio IP/input) in the XVIfMmycot1 strain, over a yeast chromosome segment (left) or a Myco chromosome segment (right).

B, Comparison of H4K16ac ChIP-seq profiles in the XVIfMmycot1 strain, in cells treated by Nicotinamide (NAM) vs. DMSO (log2 scale). Telomeres and subtelomeric domains (2.5kb) are shown in red.

C, ChIP-seq profiles of Sir3 in the XVIfMmycot1 strain. Telomeres and subtelomeric domains (2.5kb) are shown in red.

D, Comparison of H4K16ac ChIP-seq profiles in the XVIfMmycot1 strain, in cells treated by Trichostatin A (TSA) vs. DMSO (log2 scale).

E, Nucleosome track over yeast (gray) or Mmyco nucleosomes (blue), in Δ Hho1 yeast strain.

F, Correlation matrices of the contacts in chr. XV and XVIfMmycot1 in G1, after the addition of DMSO (left) or TSA (right).

G, Contact frequency (p) as a function of genomic distance (s), for contacts in yeast segments (gray) or Mmyco segments (blue) of the chimeric chromosome XVIfMmycot1, in G1 after the addition of DMSO (solid) or TSA (dotted).

H, Derivatives of curves from **F**.

I, Correlation matrices of the contacts in chr. XV and XVIfMmycot1 in G1, after the addition of DMSO (left) or TSA (right).

J, Contact frequency (p) as a function of genomic distance (s), for contacts in yeast segments (gray) or Mmyco segments (blue) of the chimeric chromosome XVIfMmycot1, in WT (solid) or Δ Hho1 mutant (dotted).

K, Derivatives of curves from **I**.

L, Average Pol. II ChIP-seq coverage (ratio IP/input) at every yeast ORF, in DMSO (solid) or after thiolutin treatment (dotted). P-values from one-sample two-tailed Student t-test.

M, Average RNA-seq coverage over 500bp bins from XVI (gray) or Mmmcyo (blue) segments, in DMSO (solid) or after thiolutin treatment (dotted). P-values from one-tailed Student's t-test.

N, Correlation matrices of the trans-chromosomal contacts between chr. XV and XVIfMmycot1 in G1, in G1 (left) or quiescence (right).

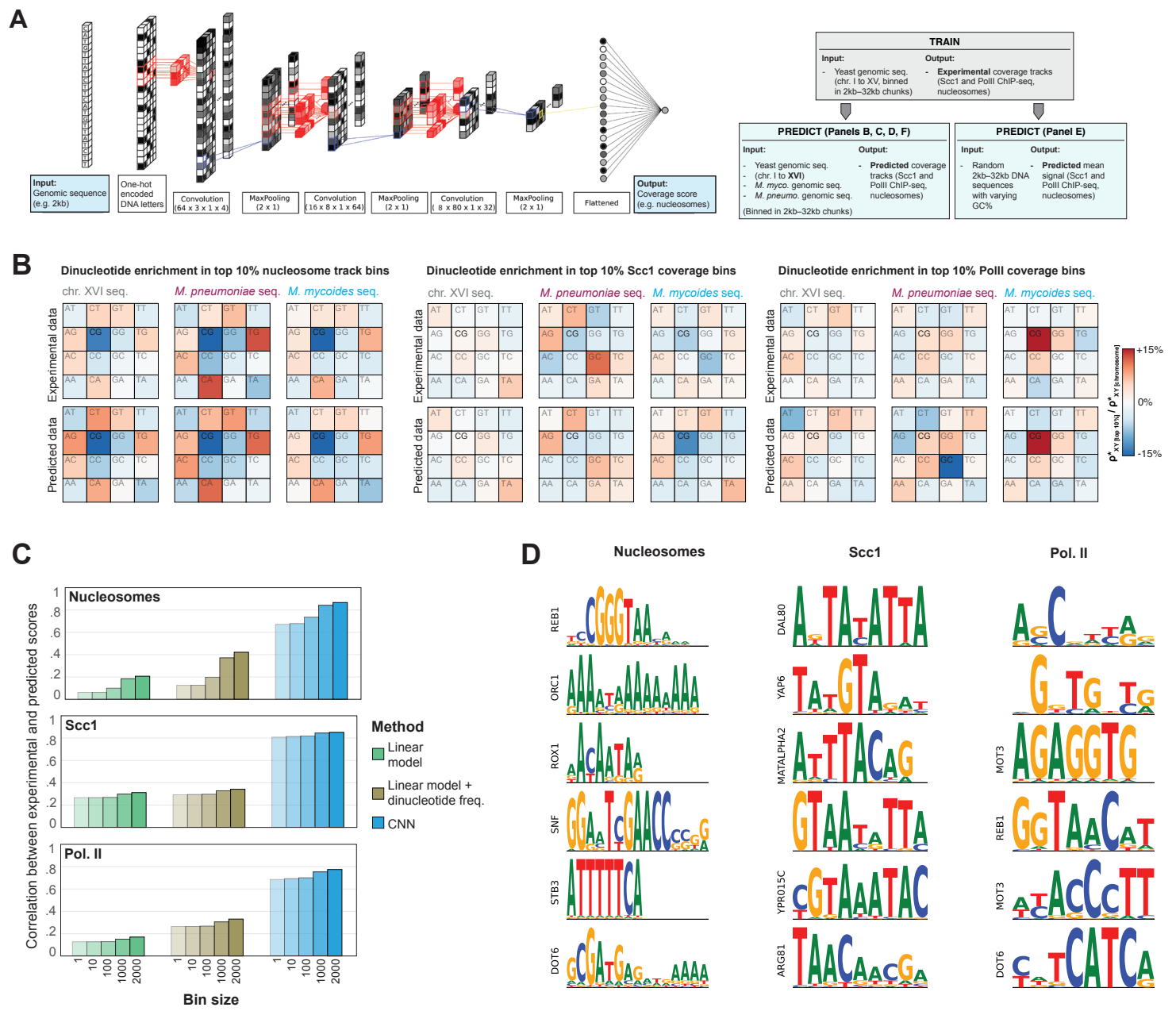


Fig. S9

Fig. S9. Sequence-based prediction of chromatin composition of exogenous bacterial chromosomes in yeast.

A, Left: Schematic representation of the convolution neural network used in this study. The input of the network is a 2 to 30kb DNA sequence. The output is the corresponding value of the nucleosome, Scc1 or Pol. II signal. Details about the size of the input/output and the architecture used are discussed in the Material and Methods. Right: Overall training/prediction strategy.

We trained a CNN on sequences of chr. I-XV to predict (i) genome-wide nucleosome, Scc1 or Pol. II ChIP-seq coverage tracks over chrXVI and bacterial chromosomes, and (ii) the average nucleosome, Scc1 or Pol. II ChIP-seq signal over 10kb random sequences with varying GC%.

B, Dinucleotide enrichment in genomic loci with 10% greatest nucleosome (left), Scc1 (middle) or Pol. II (right) ChIP-seq coverage (100 bp bins), extracted from experimental or predicted tracks over chromosome XVI, Mpneumo or Mmyco. The dinucleotide composition in these loci is compared to the chromosome-wide dinucleotide composition ($\rho^*(XY)_{[\text{chromosome}]}$ / $\rho^*(XY)_{[\text{chromosome}]}$).

C, Correlation scores between experimental and predicted nucleosome, Scc1 or Pol. II ChIP-seq data, using a linear model accounting for GC% only (green) or dinucleotide composition (kaki), or using CNNs (blue).

D, Motifs identified de novo as relevant for predicting nucleosome, Scc1 or Pol. II profiles. Matches to similar motifs in yeast databases are shown on the left.

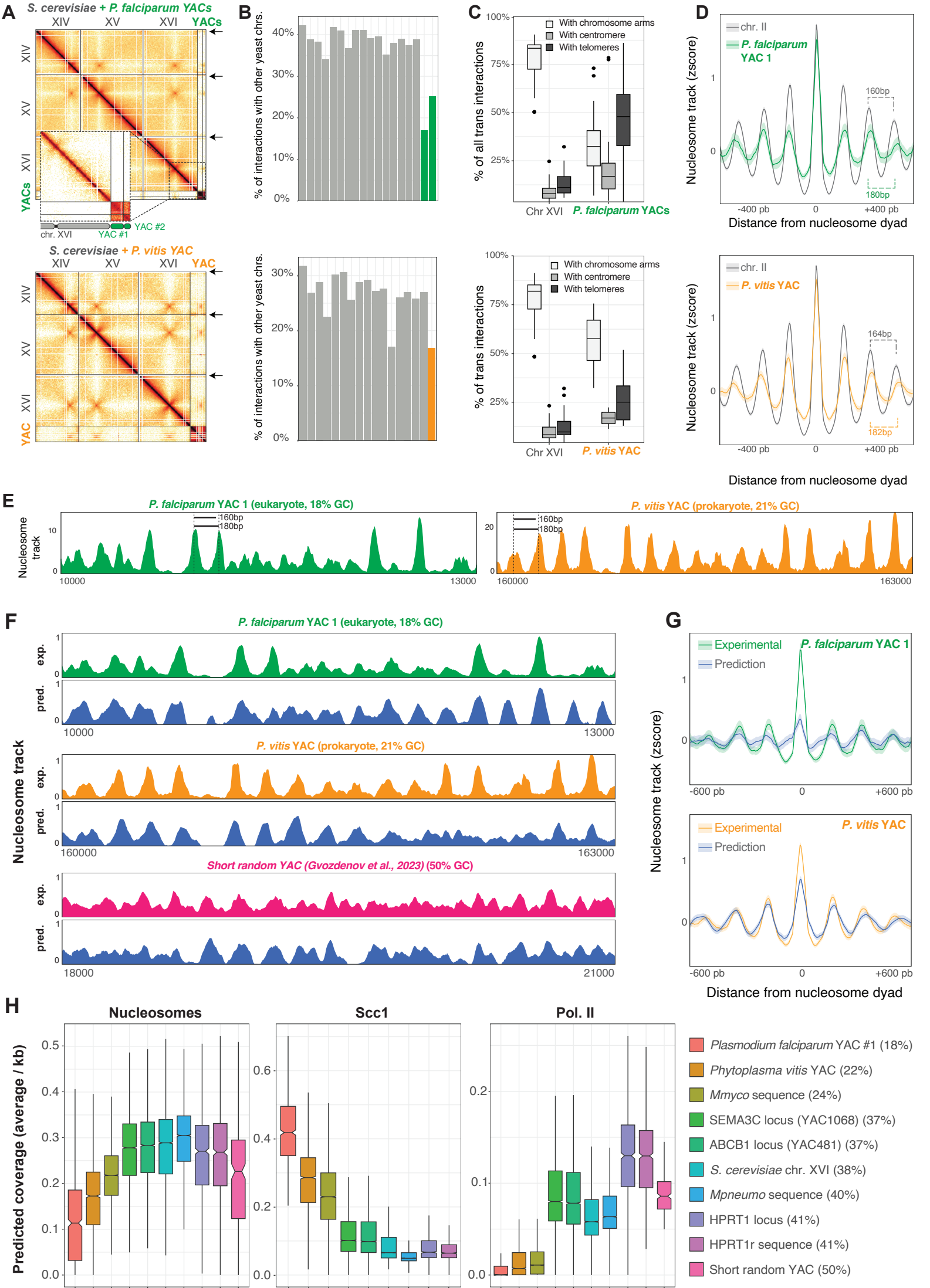


Fig. S10

Fig. S10. U-type chromatin compartmentalization of AT-rich prokaryotic and eukaryotic YACs.

A, Hi-C maps showing chromosomal interactions between *S. cerevisiae* chromosomes (XIV, XV, XVI) and artificial yeast chromosomes (YACs) from *P. falciparum* (top) and *P. vitis* (bottom). The inset for *P. falciparum* highlights the increased trans-chromosomal contacts between the two *P. falciparum* YACs in comparison with the decreased trans-chromosomal contacts between each of the YACs and the yeast chromosome XVI.

B, Percentage of interactions that each YAC has with yeast chromosomes.

C, Percentage of trans interactions between YACs and specific chromosomal regions (chromosome arms, centromere and telomeres), for *P. falciparum* (top) and *P. vitis* (bottom).

D, Average nucleosome signal centered at nucleosomes annotated over *P. falciparum* YAC (top, green) and *P. vitis* YAC (bottom, orange), compared to yeast nucleosomes (gray).

E, Nucleosome track over 3kb-wide segments of the *P. falciparum* YAC (left, green) or *P. vitis* YAC (right, orange).

F, Comparison of experimental (exp.) and predicted (pred.) nucleosome tracks for *P. falciparum* YAC (green), *P. vitis* YAC (orange), and a short random YAC (pink)(45).

G, Comparison of experimental (green or orange) and predicted nucleosome signals (dark blue), centered at nucleosomes annotated over *P. falciparum* YAC (top) and *P. vitis* YAC (bottom).

H, Predicted nucleosome, Scc1 and Pol. II coverages in chromosome sequences from different genomes. Coverage values are averaged using 1kb bins tiling each chromosome sequence.

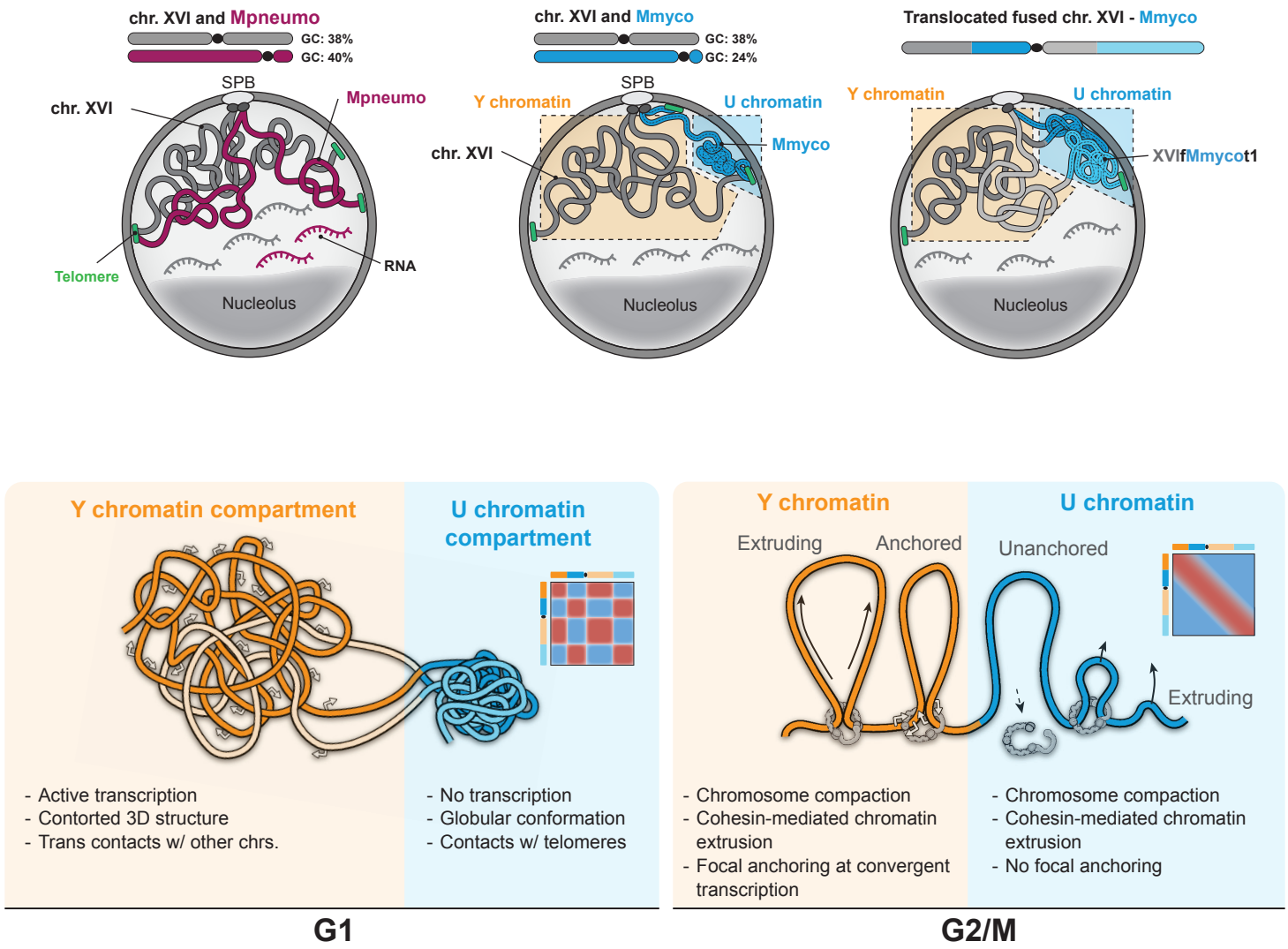


Fig. S11

Fig. S11. Behavior and activity of bacterial genomes integrated in the yeast genome.

Illustration of the behaviors and activity of Mpneumo (left panel) and Mmyco (middle and right) chromosome sequences integrated in the yeast genome. Note that yeast and Mpneumo chromosomes intermingle in a single nuclear compartment, whereas the Mmyco chromosome (independently or in a chimeric state within chr. XVI) is condensed and segregated at the nuclear periphery, thereby defining the inactive U-type chromatin compartment.

Table S1. Summary table of strains

	Strains name	Description	Parental strain	Genetic background	MAT	Genotype	Reference
Mmmyco	RSG_Y711	Strain carrying the circular chromosome <i>Mycoplasma mycoides</i> subsp. <i>mycoides</i> strain PG1	W303	W303	a	ade2-1, leu2-3,112, his3-11,15, trp1-1, can1-100, RAD5 + <i>M. mycoides</i> circular genome with CEN6/ARS-HIS3	(16)
	RSG_Y712	Mmyco chromosome linearized	RSG_Y711	W303	a	ade2-1, leu2-3,112, his3-11,15, trp1-1, can1-100, RAD5 + <i>M. mycoides</i> linear genome with CEN6/ARS-HIS3	this study
	RSG_Y951	Mmyco chromosome linearized, SCC1-PK9	RSG_Y712	W303	a	ade2-1, leu2-3,112, his3-11,15, trp1-1, can1-100, RAD5 + <i>M. mycoides</i> linear genome with CEN6/ARS-HIS3, SCC1-pk9::KanMX	this study
	RSG_Y955	Linearized Mmyco, ΔWAPL	RSG_Y712	W303	a	ade2-1, leu2-3,112, his3-11,15, trp1-1, can1-100, RAD5 + <i>M. mycoides</i> linear genome with CEN6/ARS-HIS3, Rad61::KanMX	this study
	RSG_Y1033	XVIfMmyco : "Fused" strain, Mmyco chromosome merged with the XVI	RSG_Y712	W303	a	ade2-1, leu2-3,112, his3-11,15, trp1-1, can1-100, RAD5, XVIfMmyco(CEN6/ARS-HIS3)	this study
	RSG_Y1053	XVIfMmyco : "Fused" strain with SCC1-PK9	RSG_Y1033	W303	a	ade2-1, leu2-3,112, his3-11,15, trp1-1, can1-100, RAD5 + XVI-M. <i>mycoides</i> linear genome with CEN6/ARS-HIS3 SCC1-pk9::KanMX	this study
	RSG_Y1136	XVIfMmycot1 : "Translocation n°1" strain	RSG_Y1033	W303	a	ade2-1, leu2-3,112, his3-11,15, trp1-1, can1-100, SCC1-pk9::KanMX, RAD5, XVIfMmyco(CEN6/ARS-HIS3)	this study
	RSG_Y1146	"Translocation n°1" strain with SCC1-PK9	RSG_Y1136	W303	a	ade2-1, leu2-3,112, his3-11,15, trp1-1, can1-100, RAD5, XVIfMmycot1(CEN6/ARS-HIS3)	this study
	RSG_Y001375	"Translocation n°1" strain, Δhho1	RSG_Y1136	W303	a	ade2-1, leu2-3,112, his3-11,15, trp1-1, can1-100, RAD5, Δhho1, XVIfMmycot1(CEN6/ARS-HIS3)	this study
	RSG_Y1137	XVIfMmycot2 : "Translocation n°2" strain (50 kb block)	RSG_Y1136	W303	a	ade2-1, leu2-3,112, his3-11,15, trp1-1, can1-100, RAD5, XVIfMmycot2(CEN6/ARS-HIS3)	this study
	RSG_Y1147	"Translocation n°2" strain (50 kb block) with SCC1-PK9	RSG_Y1137	W303	a	ade2-1, leu2-3,112, his3-11,15, trp1-1, can1-100, RAD5, SCC1-pk9::KanMX, XVIfMmycot2(CEN6/ARS-HIS3)	this study
	RSG_Y001237	XVIfMmycot2' : "Translocation n°2" strain (15 kb block)	RSG_Y1136	W303	a	ade2-1, leu2-3,112, his3-11,15, trp1-1, can1-100, RAD5, XVIfMmycot2'(CEN6/ARS-HIS3)	this study
	RSG_Y001268	XVIfMmycot2' : "Translocation n°2" strain (15 kb block) strain with SCC1-PK9	RSG_Y001237	W303	a	ade2-1, leu2-3,112, his3-11,15, trp1-1, can1-100, RAD5, SCC1-pk9::KanMX, XVIfMmycot2'(CEN6/ARS-HIS3)	this study
	RSG_Y1274	XVIfMmycot3 : "Triple Translocation n" strain	RSG_Y1136	W303	a	ade2-1, leu2-3,112, his3-11,15, trp1-1, can1-100, RAD5, XVIfMmycot3(CEN6/ARS-HIS3)	this study
	yLD126-36c	Control split dot assay	NA	W303	a	Met3p-CDC20, tetR-GFP, ura3-1::URA3tetO	(94)
	FB176	fluorescent spot on linear Mmyco	RSG_Y712	W303	a	ade2-1, leu2-3,112::LEU2::tetR-GFP, his3-11,15, trp1-1, can1-100, ura3-1, Met3p-CDC20, <i>M. mycoides</i> linear genome with CEN6/ARS-HIS3 carrying 40000-42000::URA3::NATtetO	this study

	FB200	Strain with linear Mmyco, and fluorescent spot on endogenous yeast chromosome	RSG_Y712	W303	a	ade2-1, leu2-3,112::LEU2::tetR-GFP, his3-11,15, trp1-1, can1-100, ura3-1::URA3tetO, Met3p-CDC20, M. mycooides linear genome with CEN6/ARS-HIS3	this study
Mpneumo	RSG_Y681	Strain carrying the <i>Mycoplasma pneumoniae</i> strain M129	VL6-48N	VL6-48N	alpha	trp1-Δ1, ura3-Δ1, ade2-101, his3-Δ200, lys2, met14 cir ^o + Mp circular genome with CEN6/ARS-HIS3	(17)
	RSG_Y960	Pneumo chromosome linearized	RSG_Y681	VL6-48N	a	trp1-Δ1, ura3-Δ1, ade2-101, his3-Δ200, lys2, met14 cir ^o + Mp linear genome with CEN6/ARS-HIS3	this study
	RSG_Y1037	XVIfMpneumo : "Fused "strain, Mpneumo chromosome merged with the XVI	RSG_Y960	VL6-48N	a	trp1-Δ1, ura3-Δ1, ade2-101, his3-Δ200, lys2, met14 cir ^o + XVIfMpneumo(CEN6/ARS-HIS3)	this study
	RSG_Y001349	XVIfMpneumo, RNH1::HTP	RSG_Y1037	VL6-48N	a	trp1-Δ1, ura3-Δ1, ade2-101, his3-Δ200, lys2, met14 cir ^o , RNH1::HTP + XVIfMpneumo(CEN6/ARS-HIS3)	this study
	RSG_Y001273	XVIfMpneumo ; Δupf1	RSG_Y1037	VL6-48N	a	trp1-Δ1, ura3-Δ1, ade2-101, his3-Δ200, lys2, met14 cir ^o Δupf1::KanMX + XVIfMpneumo(CEN6/ARS-HIS3),	this study
	RSG_Y001308	XVIfMpneumo ; Δrrp6	RSG_Y1037	VL6-48N	a	trp1-Δ1, ura3-Δ1, ade2-101, his3-Δ200, lys2, met14 cir ^o , Δrrp6 + XVIfMpneumo(CEN6/ARS-HIS3),	this study
	RSG_Y001298	XVIfMpneumo ; Δupf1 and Δrrp6	RSG_Y001273	VL6-48N	a	trp1-Δ1, ura3-Δ1, ade2-101, his3-Δ200, lys2, met14 cir ^o , Δupf1::KanMX, Δrrp6 + XVIfMpneumo(CEN6/ARS-HIS3),	this study
	RSG_Y1080	Pneumo chromosome linearized with SCC1-PK9	RSG_Y960	VL6-48N	a	trp1-Δ1, ura3-Δ1, ade2-101, his3-Δ200, lys2, met14 cir ^o + Mp linear genome with CEN6/ARS-HIS3, SCC1-pk9::KanMX	this study
	RSG_Y954	Pneumo chromosome linearized with delta WAPL	RSG_Y960	VL6-48N	a	trp1-Δ1, ura3-Δ1, ade2-101, his3-Δ200, lys2, met14 cir ^o + Mp linear genome with CEN6/ARS-HIS3, Rad61::KanMX	this study
"Control" strains	RSG_Y784	W303 strain + pRS313	W303	W303	a	his3-11, 15 trp11 leu2-3,112 ura3-1 ade2-1 can1-100 [HIS3]	this study
	RSG_Y1158	VL6-48N strain + pRS413	VL6-48N	VL6-48N	a	trp1-Δ1 ura3-Δ1 ade2-101 his3-Δ200 lys2 met14 cir [HIS3]	this study
	RSG_Y973	Glabrata strain with SCC1-PK9	<i>C.glabrata</i>	<i>C.glabrata</i>	a	Sec1PK9::NatMX	(69)
	W303 strain + scc1-pk	W303 strain + scc1-pk	W303	W303	a	Sec1-pk9::KanMX	(69)
YACs	RSG_Y001392	W303a + FDp92, regions of ~300kb - 22%GC	W303	W303	a	leu2-3,112 trp1-1 can1-100 ura3-1 ade2-1 his3-11,15	this study
	RSG_Y001388	W303a + 2 regions of <i>Plasmodium falciparum</i>	AB1380	AB1380	a	tiV ura3 trp1 ade2-1 can1-100 lys2-1 his5	(93)

Table S2. gRNA sequence (CRISPR targeting).

gRNA sequences					
	Name	Transformation expected	Target	gRNA 5' 3'	Plasmid used
Mmyco strains	RSG_B700	Chromosome linearisation	DSB on the circular Mmyco (@ 739,680 bp)	TCTGCTAATCCTGTTACCAGTGG	pML107
	RSG_B1158	Fusion between the end of the chromosome XVI to the chromosome Mmyco (generation of XVIfMmyco strain)	DSB next to the centromere of chr XVI (@ 555,995 bp)	TTAGAATTACGACAACATAACGG	pAEF5
			DSB next to the right telomere of chrXVI (@ 936,139 bp)	TGGTGTTATATAGTGGCACCGGG	
	RSG_B1150		DSB next to the right telomere of Mmyco (@ 1,219,826 bp)	GCGTGGACAAAGGTACAACGAGG	pGZ110
	RSG_B1200	Translocation 1 (generation of XVIfMmycot1 strain)	DSB in the middle of the left arm of XVIfMmyco (XVI DNA, @ 506,748 bp)	GAGAGCACAGGTGTACTGGAGGG	pAEF5
			DSB in the middle of the right arm of XVIfMmyco (Mmyco DNA, @1,379,095 bp)	ACTTATTAGAAAATGAGCAGTGG	
	RSG_B1201	Translocation 2 50 kb (generation of XVIfMmycot2 strain)	DSB ~ 50kb from translocation 1 breakpoint on left arm of XVIfMmycot1 (in XVI sequence; @ 1,691,364 bp)	CTAATCATGTCTCACTCCCGCGG	pAEF5
DSB ~ 50kb from translocation 1 breakpoint on right arm of XVIfMmycot1 (in Mmyco sequence, @ 737,819 bp)			CGTTCATGTTATGTGAAAAGAGG		
Mpneumo strains	Name	Transformation expected	Target	gRNA 5' 3'	Plasmid used
		Chromosome linearisation	DSB on the circular Mpneumo (@ xxx,xxx bp)	GTCAACGGTCAAAAAAACCGAGG	pAEF5

Table S4. Primer sequences.

Checking primers					
	Transformation expected	Purpose	Primers sequence forward 5' 3'	Primers sequence reverse 5' 3'	Amplicons Length
Mmyco	Linearisation	Circular loss	TTCCACTGAGCGTCAGACC	TGCCGCTTACCGGATACC	-
		Check telomere addition R	CGTTGCGAGGTACTAAAGGC	TGCCGCTTACCGGATACC	242
		Check telomere addition L	TTCCACTGAGCGTCAGACC	agagcggtcagtagcaatcc	294
	XVIIfMyco	Check loss centromere XVI	GCCCTAGATCAAACCTGATCCAG	CCGGTAGAAGCCTTTGTACC	555
		Check fusion	CCCGCATAAGTACGTGTAGCT	CAGTGAAGCACCAGTTTCTG	688
	XVIIfMycot1	Check translocation R	CGATGCATACGTTCCATC	CTGGTAATCTTGCAGATCC	729
		Check translocation L	GAGGGTATAAACTGCATCG	CCATATCCAGCCATATTTGC	1127
	XVIIfMycot2	Check translocation R	CTTGTCGTCCTGTGAAAG	CCAGAAAATGCTTGAGTAGC	760
		Check translocation L	GCAGTCGTTCTCAAACGG	GCATAGAAATTCACATAGGC	903
	Mpneumo	Transformation expected	Purpose	Primers sequence forward 5' 3'	Primers sequence reverse 5' 3'
Linearisation		Circular loss	GGTGGGTAAAGGTAAAGC	cgaatTAGCATGCTGTTTGC	-
		Check telomere addition R	ggattgctactgaccgctct	GGTGGGTAAAGGTAAAGC	215
		Check telomere addition L	gccttagtacctcgcaacg	cgaatTAGCATGCTGTTTGC	300

Table S5. Hi-C statistics.

	HiC library	background	strain	stage	Total sequenced fragments	Aligned fragments	Fragments retained in map
CH196	Hi-C of Mmyco strain (G2/M)	W303_Mmmyco	RSG_Y712	G2/M	302589048	261015801	66875527
CH02	Hi-C of Mmyco strain (G1)	W303_Mmmyco	RSG_Y712	G1	109056382	81014812	20087984
CH198	Hi-C of Mmyco strain (Wpl1 deletion, G2/M)	W303_Mmmyco	RSG_Y955	G2/M	41113718	35092403	12373773
CH195	Hi-C of Mpneumo strain (G2/M)	S288C_Mpneumo	RSG_Y960	G2/M	76019938	65125087	19632515
CH210	Hi-C of Mpneumo strain (G1)	S288C_Mpneumo	RSG_Y960	G1	71379048	60466145	12456326
CH197	Hi-C of Mpneumo strain (Wpl1 deletion, G2/M)	S288C_Mpneumo	RSG_Y954	G2/M	39684936	35230228	11676521
LM34	Hi-C of XVIfMmyco strain (G2/M)	XVIfMmyco	RSG_Y103 3	G2/M	56889456	42820436	9754819
LM33	Hi-C of XVIfMmyco strain (G1)	XVIfMmyco	RSG_Y103 3	G1	43712974	32935796	6683250
LM58	Hi-C of XVIfMmycot1 strain (G2/M)	XVIfMmycot1	RSG_Y113 6	G2/M	53729240	42557126	13123109
LM63	Hi-C of XVIfMmycot1 strain (G1)	XVIfMmycot1	RSG_Y113 6	G1	43841832	36113087	9330391
LM59	Hi-C of XVIfMmycot2 strain (G2/M)	XVIfMmycot2	RSG_Y113 7	G2/M	49569888	40547069	13600786
LM62	Hi-C of XVIfMmycot2 strain (G1)	XVIfMmycot2	RSG_Y113 7	G1	50005472	41366045	12902417
LM119	Hi-C of XVIfMmycot3 strain (G2/M)	XVIfMmycot3	RSG_Y123 5	G2/M			
LM122	Hi-C of XVIfMmycot3 strain (G1)	XVIfMmycot3	RSG_Y123 5	G1			