

Extended data

A cryptic pocket in METTL3-METTL14 regulates m⁶A conversion and sensing

Shan Qi^{1,2}, Yogesh K. Gupta^{1, 2*}

¹ Greehey Children's Cancer Research Institute, University of Texas Health Science Center at
San Antonio, 8403 Floyd Curl Drive, San Antonio, TX 78229, USA

² Department of Biochemistry and Structural Biology, University of Texas Health Science Center
at San Antonio, 7703 Floyd Curl Drive, San Antonio, TX 78229, USA

*Corresponding author:

Y.K.G. email: guptay@uthscsa.edu

This file contains the following material:

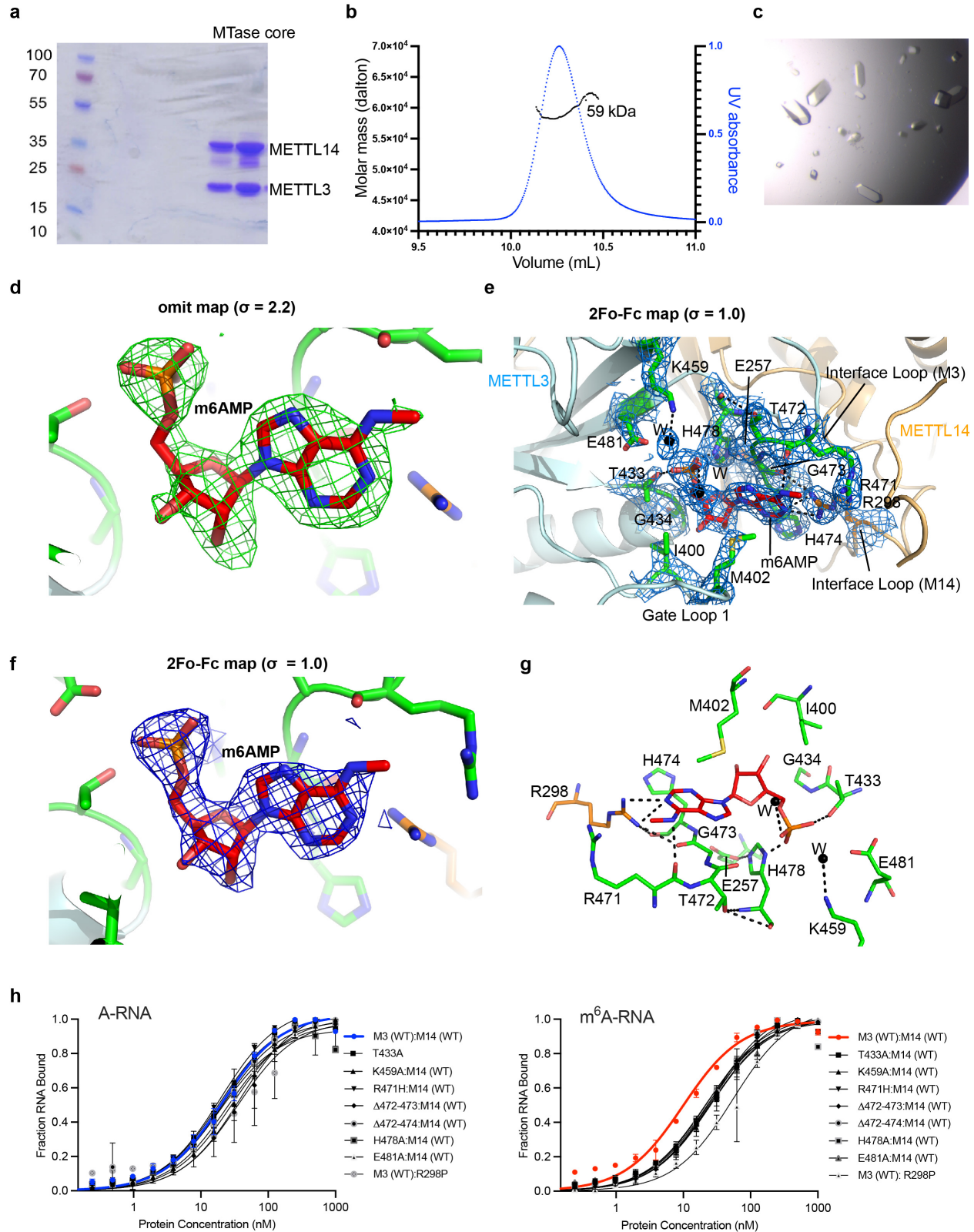
1. Extended data Table 1
2. Extended data Figure 1 and legends

Table 1. Data collection and refinement statistics (molecular replacement)

	METTTL3-METTTL14-m6A (PDB: 8TDS)
Data collection	
Wavelength (Å)	1.033
Space Group	P4 ₁ 2 ₁ 2
Cell dimensions	
a=b, c (Å)	95.98, 121.61
$\alpha=\beta=\gamma$ (°)	90
Resolution (Å)	2.5
R-merge (%)	18.8 (156)*
<i>I</i> / σ <i>I</i>	10.6 (1.76)
Completeness (%)	100 (100)
Redundancy	9.7 (10.3)
CC1/2	0.99 (0.50)*
Wilson B-factor	47
Refinement	
Resolution (Å)	37.34 – 2.5
Number of reflections	20306 (2238)
<i>R</i> _{work} (%) / <i>R</i> _{free} (%)	23 / 26.2
Nonhydrogen atoms	
Protein	3986
Ligands	32
Water	90
Average B-factors (Å ²)	
Protein	53.2
Ligands (m ⁶ AMP)	70.9
Water	47.3
Root mean square deviations	
Bond lengths (Å)	0.016
Bond angles (°)	1.4
Ramachandran favored (%)	94.6
Ramachandran allowed (%)	4
Ramachandran outliers (%)	1.4

*Values for outermost shell are given in parentheses.

Extended data Figure 1



Extended data Figure 1 | a, Coomassie-stained SDS-PAGE showing high purity of METTL3-METTL14 MTase core. **b**, Size-exclusion chromatography coupled with multi-angle scattering estimated a molecular mass of this complex of ~59 kDa, in excellent agreement with theoretical mass (~ 60 kDa). **c**, crystals of METTL3-METTL14 MTase core used for soaking *N*⁶-methyladenosine monophosphate (m⁶AMP or m⁶A). **d**, A green mesh showing an unbiased electron density omit map countered at 2.2σ, confirming the presence of m⁶A. **e-f**, A blue mesh representing a 2Fo-Fc map (σ = 1.0) showing the final refinement of the m⁶A-METTL3-METTL14 structure. The map confirms the excellent agreement between calculated and observed electron density for the region surrounding m⁶A and for m⁶A itself (**f**). **g**, Network of interaction between m⁶A and residues from METTL3 (green) and METTL14 (orange). **g**, Quantitative measurement of 30-mer RNA (left panel, A-RNA; right panel, m⁶A-RNA) binding (n = 3) to the WT and mutant enzymes shown as binding isotherms fitted with a one-site specific binding model, ($Y = B_{\text{max}} * X / (K_d + X)$). The equilibrium dissociation constant (K_d) was derived from three independent experiments, with error bars indicating the range of data points (n = 3). m⁶A replaces the central adenine base within the GGACU motif in A-RNA in m⁶A-RNA. See the methods section and source data for details.