Transcriptional profile of the heterochromatin impact of the transposable elements in *D. melanogaster*



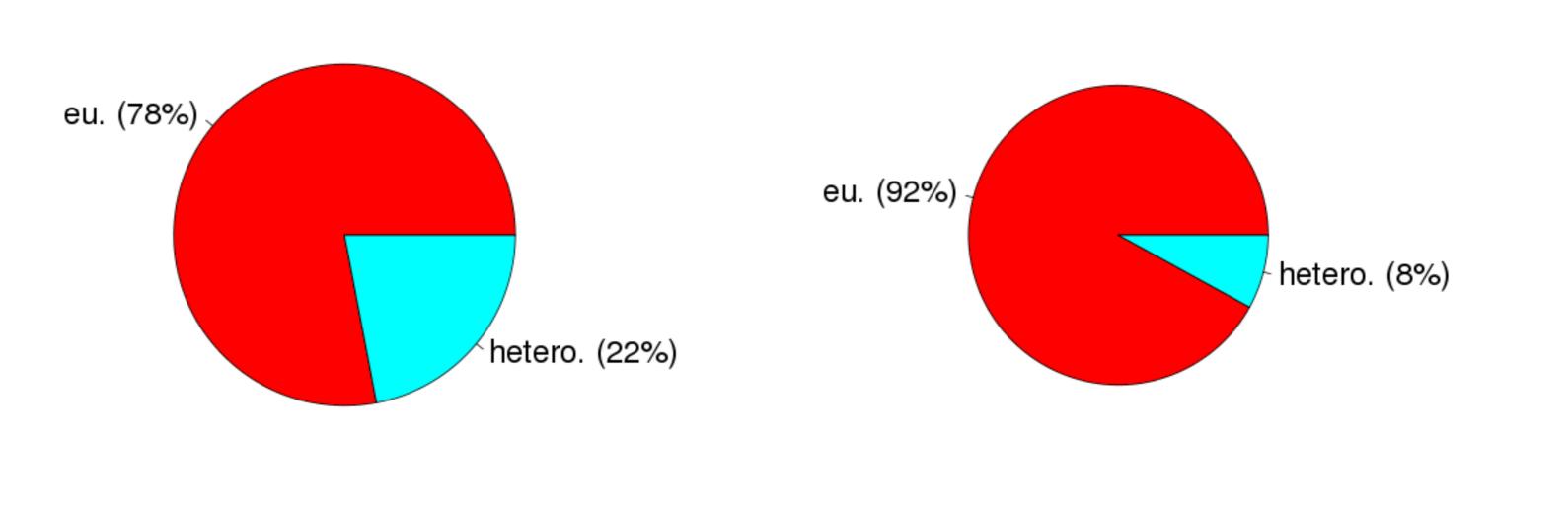
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Transcribed part of the genome

Data:

- ESTs from GenBank,
- unique match, 100% identity,
- euchromatin/heterochromatin bounds defined by Bergman et al., 2006.



Genome distribution

% in eu/heterochromatin

% covered by the ESTs

eu.

hetero.

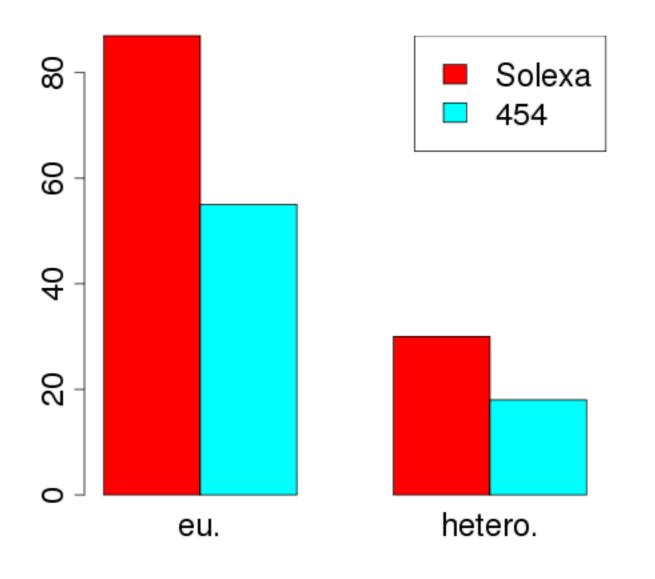
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- ⇒ Euchromatin is more transcribed than heterochromatin.
- \triangle However, a notable part of heterochromatin is transcribed.

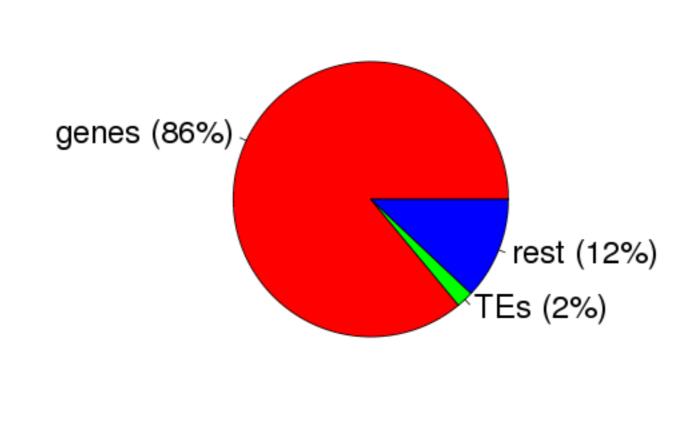
Expressed regions

Data:

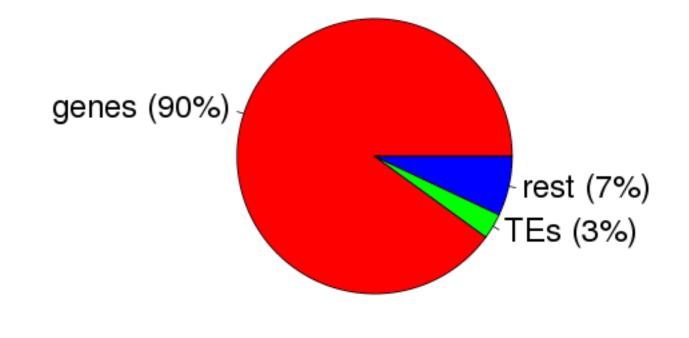
- 5,095,341 reads Solexa (5' capped),
- 274,091 reads 454 (5' capped, normalized),
- unique match, 100% identity,
- clustered.



Number of clusters per Mb.



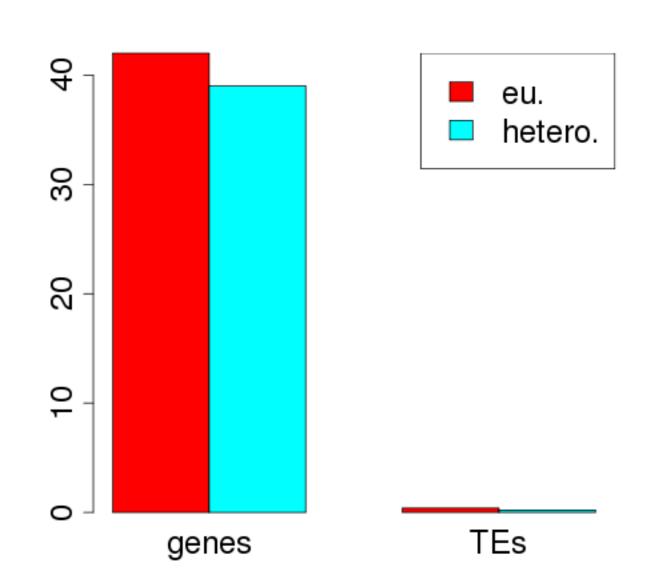
Elements captured by clustered Solexa



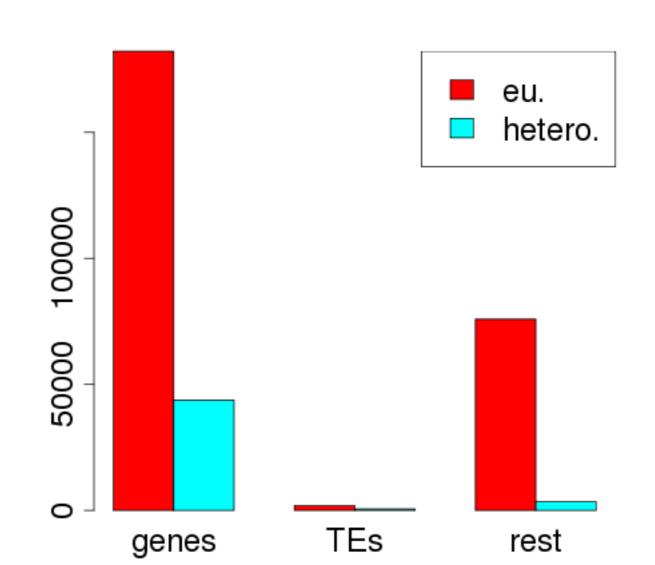
Elements captured by clustered 454

- \Rightarrow The most transcribed elements are genes in euchromatin.
- \triangle Heterochromatin is also transcribed.
- \triangle TEs are transcribed too.

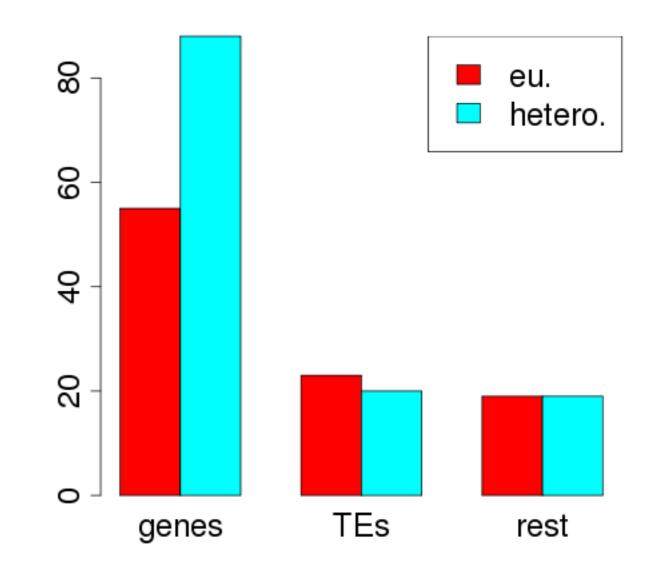
Level of expression



Proportion of elements captured



Max. number of reads per element



Med. number of reads per element

- \Rightarrow The most highly expressed elements are genes in euchromatin.
- \triangle The average expression of genes in heterochromatin is comparable with the expression in euchromatin.
- \triangle Some TEs are also expressed.