

Supplementary Figures

Figure S1

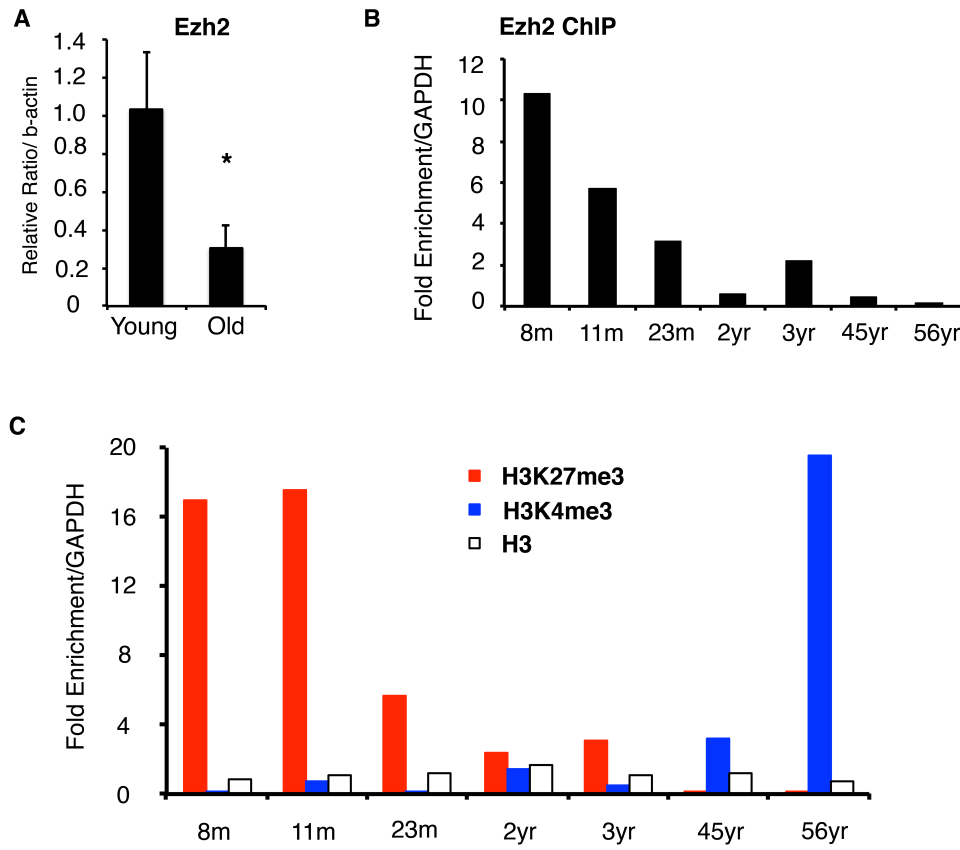


Figure S1. Loss of Ezh2 in aging human islets

(A) Ezh2 mRNA level in young (<20 yrs) and old (20 yrs+) human islets. (B) ChIP analysis of Ezh2 binding to the *Ink4a* locus in human islets (8 months, 11 months, 23 months, 2 years, 3 years, 45 years and 56 years old). (C) ChIP analysis of histone modifications (H3K4me3 in green, H3K27me3 in red) in human islets as in (B). *p < 0.05

Figure S2

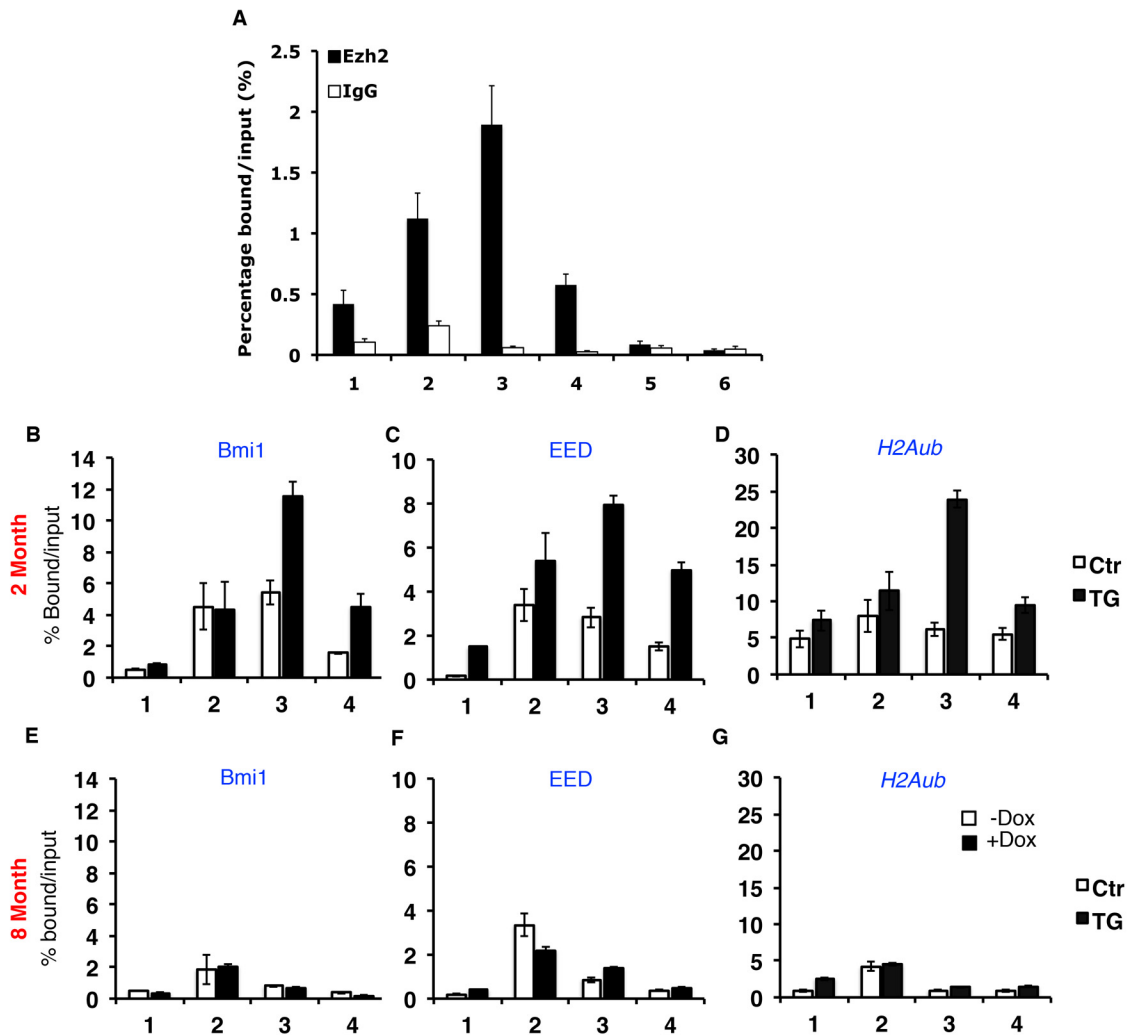


Figure S2. Ectopically expressed Ezh2 recruited other PRC members in 2-month bEzTG islets but not 8-month

(A) ChIP analysis for Ezh2 antibody, along with control IgG, in islets from 6 weeks old, wild-type mice, at the *Ink4a* locus (primer pairs 1-4), along with control primer pairs 5 (GAPDH promoter) and 6 (beta actin), showing specific recruitment at the *Ink4a* locus. (B-G) Representative ChIP analysis for the indicated antibody at the *Ink4a* locus in islets isolated from 2 month (B-D) and 8 month (E-G) old age groups.

Figure S3

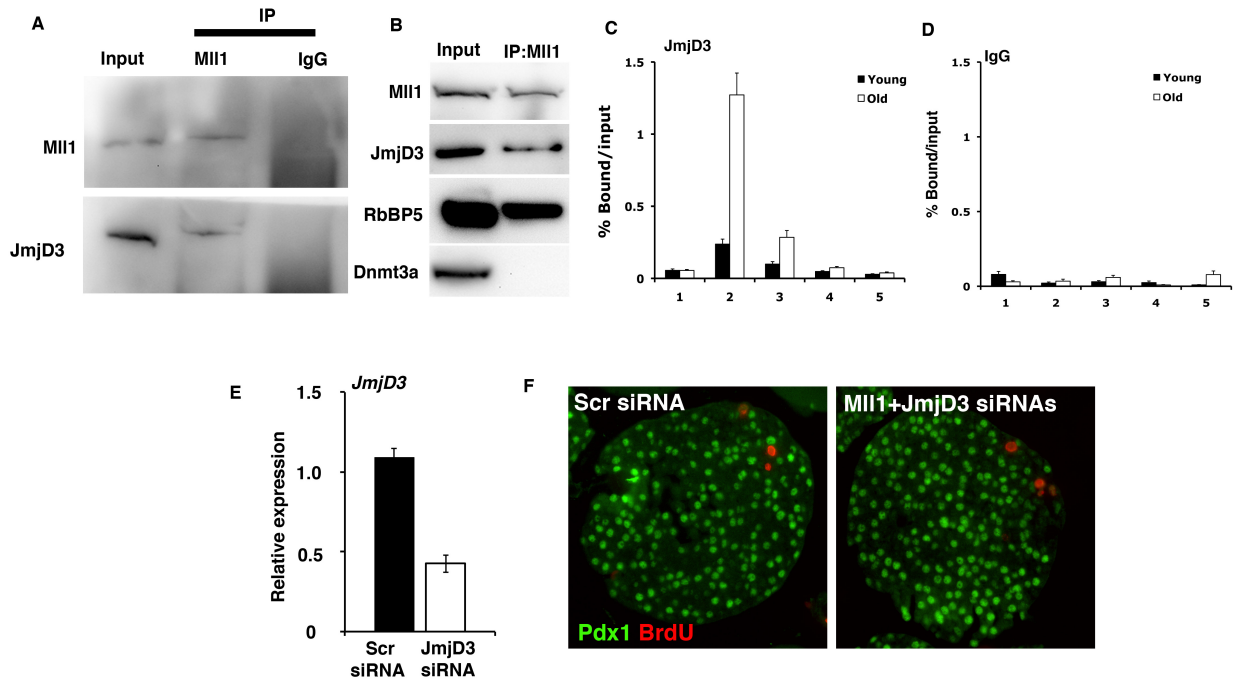


Figure S3. Jmjd3 interacts with Mll1 complex and associates with *Ink4a* locus in an age dependent fashion in mouse islets.

(A, B) Cell extracts from Min6 cells were used for IP with an anti-Mll1 antibody or IgG and analyzed by immuno-blotting with indicated antibodies. (C, D) Representative ChIP results for the indicated antibody (Jmjd3 and control IgG) at the *Ink4a* locus (primer sets 1-4), or negative control HoxC13B (primer set 5), in islets from young and old mice. (E) Relative *Jmjd3* mRNA expression levels as shown by real-time PCR in islets from old mice treated either with siRNA targeting *Jmjd3*, or a control, scrambled (Scr) siRNA. (F) Islets from 2 months old mice were treated either with scrambled (Scr) siRNA or a combination of siRNAs targeting *Mll1* and *Jmjd3*, and islets sections were immunostained for BrdU (red) and Pdx1 (green), showing no change in islet proliferation upon knockdown of *Mll1* and *Jmjd3* in islets from young mice. n=3 experiments (20X magnification).

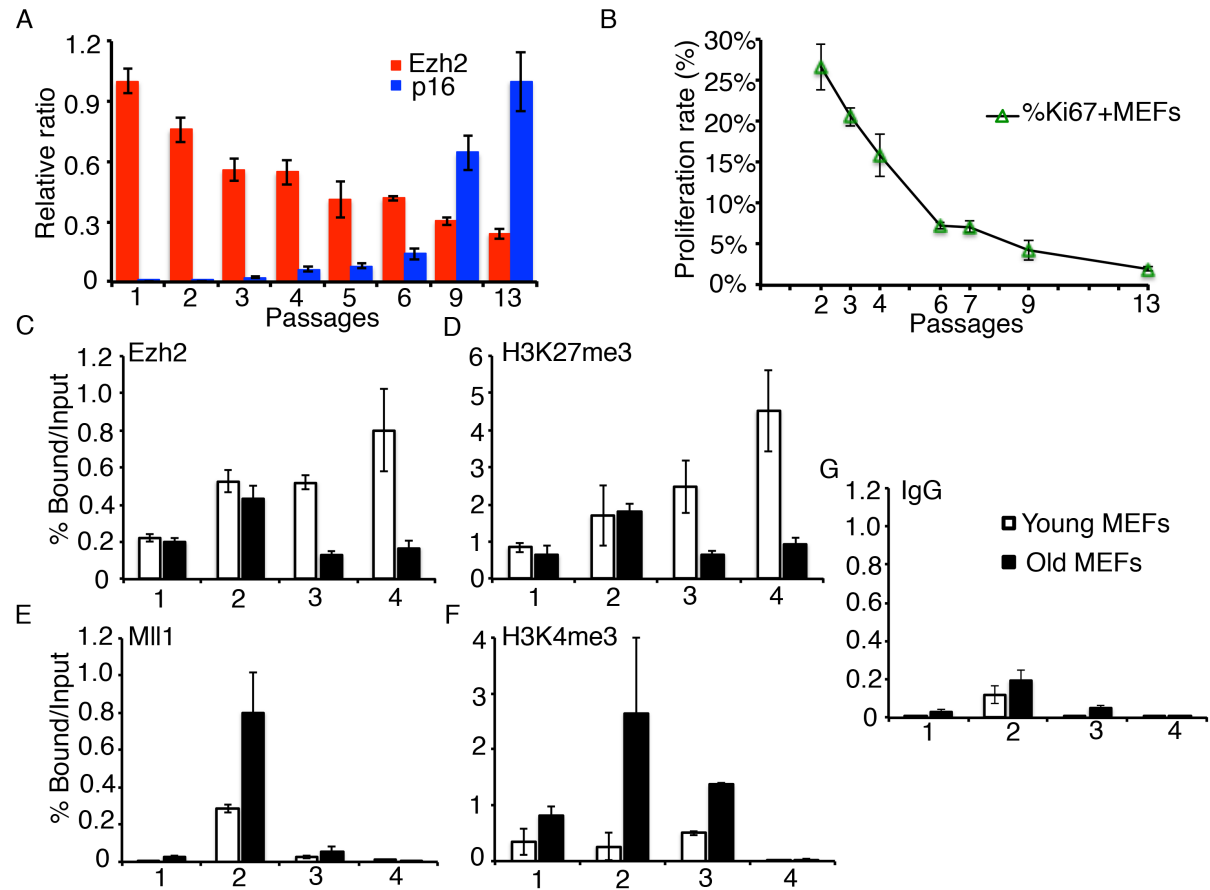
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Figure S4. Serial-passaged MEFs are associated with increased p16ink4a regulated by PcG-TrxG on the *Ink4a* locus

(A) Real time qRT-PCR showing p16ink4a increases with passages while Ezh2 declines. (B) Proliferations decreased as we passaged the MEFs. (C-G) ChIP analysis for the indicated antibody at the *Ink4a/Arf* locus in MEFs showing decreased Ezh2 and H3K27me3 and increased Mll1 and H3k4me3 in old MEFs. n=3 experiments.

Supplementary materials

Table S1. RT-PCR primers

Gene	Forward	Reverse
<i>Myc-Ezh2</i>	5'-TTTCTGACGATTGGAACATAACATAG-3'	5'-TTTCTGACGATTGGAACATAACATAG-3'
<i>Ezh-2</i>	5'-TGTAGACAGGTGTATGAGTTTAGAG-3'	5'-GGTCAGCAGCTCCACACGTGAGAC-3'
<i>Ink4a</i>	5'-ATCTGGAGCAGCATGGAGTC-3'	5'-CTGAGGCGGATTTAGCTCTG-3'
<i>Tubulin</i>	5'-GTTGGCCAGGCTGGTGTCCAG-3'	5'-CTGTGATGAGCTGCTCAGGGTGG-3'

Table S2. Real-time qRT-PCR primers

Gene	Forward	Reverse
<i>Mll-1</i>	5'- AGCAGCTCTCATTTCAGGT -3'	5'- ACAACGGCATCATGGAGAAT -3'
<i>Ezh-2</i>	5'-TGGAAGCAGCGGAGGATA-3'	5'-GTCAGTGGTGACTGAACACTCC-3'
<i>Jmjd3</i>	5'- CTGTACAGACCCCCGGAAC-3'	5'-TGGTGGAGAAAAGGCCTAAGT -3'
<i>Ink4a</i>	5'- CCGTGTGCATGACGTGCGGG -3'	5'-GCTGCTACGTGAACGTTGCCC -3'
<i>Cyclophilin</i>	5'-GTTGGCCAGGCTGGTGTCCAG-3'	5'-CTGTGATGAGCTGCTCAGGGTGG-3'