

Additional data 3. Fitting the circular polymer model to mouse gene-rich loci. The circular polymer model (Eq.1 & 2b) was fitted to 3C-qPCR data obtained at gene-rich loci. The best fit curve is shown in red; best fit parameters are as follows:  $R^2$ =0.50 with K=725,785 ± 66,540; S=2.515 ± 0.092 kb; C=110.515 ± 2.028 kb. The black curve depicts the best fit obtained with the linear polymer model (Eq. 1 & 2a) ( $R^2$  = 0.18).