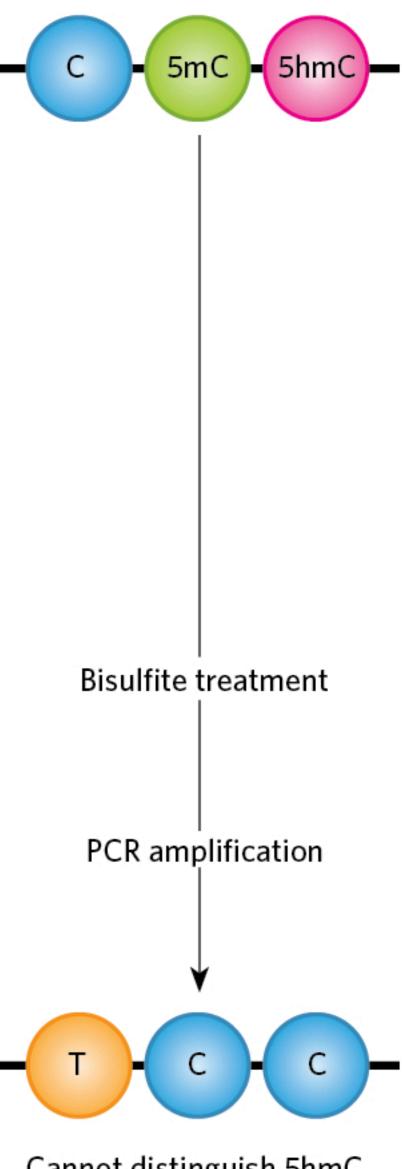
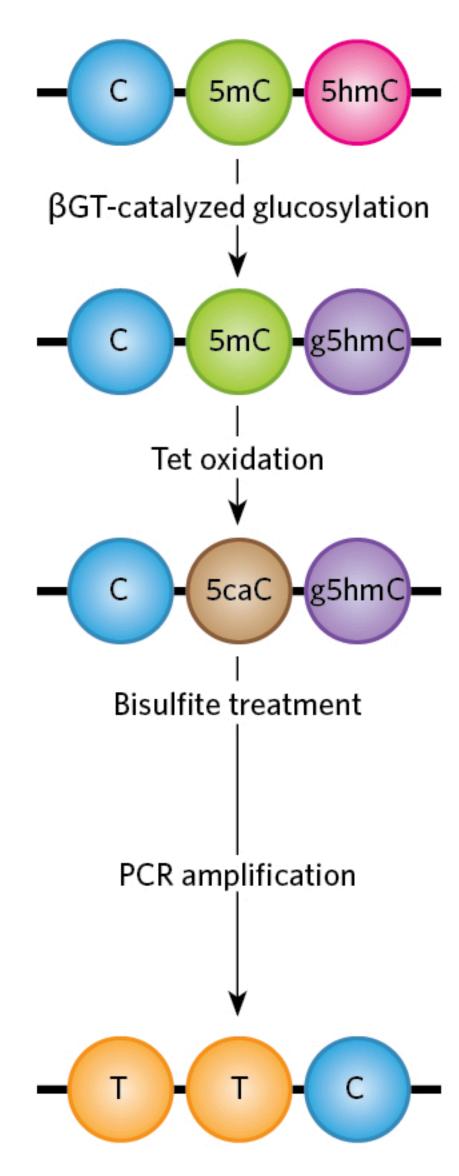
TAB-SEQ METHOD: Bisulfite sequencing alone (near right) cannot determine whether a base is 5mC or 5hmC. With TAB-Seq (far right), 5hmCs are protected from oxidation by glucosylation, while 5mCs are oxidized using a Tet enzyme, which converts 5mC to 5-carboxylcytosine (5caC). Bisulfite treatment then converts the 5caCs and unmodified cytosines to read as thymines following PCR. The 5hmCs continue to read as cytosines, revealing their locations.

Traditional Bisulfite Sequencing



Cannot distinguish 5hmC from 5mC

Tet-Assisted Bisulfite Sequencing (TAB-Seq)



Distinguishes 5hmC from 5mC when combined with traditional bisulfite sequencing