Protein Phosphatase 1 in association with Bud14 inhibits mitotic exit in *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*

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Abstract

Saccharomyces cerevisiae, also known as the budding yeast, orients and elongates its mitotic spindle along its polarity axis in order to segregate one copy of its genomic DNA to the daughter cell. When accurate positioning of the mitotic spindle fails, a surveillance mechanism, named the Spindle Position Checkpoint (SPOC), prevents cells from exiting mitosis unless the spindle orientation is corrected. Mutants with a defective SPOC loss their genomic integrity, become multiploid and aneuploid. Thus, SPOC is a crucial checkpoint for the budding yeast. Yet, a comprehensive understanding of how the SPOC mechanism works is missing. In this study, we identified Bud14 as a novel checkpoint protein. We showed that the mitotic exit inhibitory function of Bud14 requires its association with the type 1 protein phosphatase, Glc7. Our data indicate that Glc7-Bud14 promotes dephosphorylation of the SPOC effector protein Bfa1. Our results support a model in which Glc7-Bud14 works parallel to the SPOC kinase Kin4 in inhibiting mitotic exit.

Introduction

Budding yeast undergoes asymmetric cell division in every cell cycle and is an intrinsically polarized cell. In every cell cycle, a new cell buds on the mother cell and pinches of from this location at the end of the cell division, giving rise to a young daughter cell and an old mother cell. In order for the daughter cell to receive one copy of the duplicated genetic material, budding yeast has to segregate its chromosomes along its mother-to-bud polarity axis, which requires positioning of the mitotic spindle apparatus along this direction. The correct orientation of the mitotic spindle is achieved by two redundant pathways, namely the "early" and "late" pathways, which are dependent on the Adenomatous Polyposis Coli (APC) homolog Kar9 and the microtubule motor protein Dyn1 respectively (Adames & Cooper, 2000; Beach *et al*, 2000; Li *et al*, 1993; Siller & Doe, 2009).

Correct orientation of the mitotic spindle is monitored by a mitotic checkpoint named the Spindle Position Checkpoint (SPOC) in budding yeast. SPOC prevents cell cycle progression of cells that fail to orient their spindle in the mother-to-bud direction, and hence provides time for the cells to correct their spindle orientation before mitotic exit (Adames *et al*, 2001; Bardin *et al*, 2000; Bloecher *et al*, 2000; Pereira *et al*, 2000; Yeh *et al*, 1995). Yeast cells with defects in the spindle positioning pathways or cells with impaired microtubule function rely on the SPOC to maintain their ploidy. Absence of SPOC causes multinucleation, enucleation and aneuploidy in budding yeast. A SPOC like checkpoint also exists in Drosophila and may be present in higher eukaryotes (Cheng *et al*, 2008; O'Connell & Wang, 2000; Pereira & Yamashita, 2011).

In response to spindle mispositioning, SPOC inhibits cell cycle progression by inhibiting the Mitotic Exit Network (MEN) (Baro *et al*, 2017; Caydasi *et al*, 2010a; Caydasi & Pereira, 2012; Weiss, 2012). MEN is a GTPase driven signaling pathway that is essential for mitotic exit in budding yeast (Jaspersen *et al*, 1998; Shou *et al*, 1999). A single conserved phosphatase, named Cdc14 triggers mitotic exit in budding yeast through inactivation of the mitotic Cyclin Dependent Kinase (CDK) and dephosphorylation of CDK targets (Manzano-Lopez & Monje-Casas, 2020). At the anaphase onset, a transient wave of Cdc14 activation is triggered by the cdcFourteen Early Anaphase Release (FEAR) network; whereas later in anaphase the MEN promotes fully activation of Cdc14 (Jaspersen *et al.*, 1998; Lee *et al*, 2001a; Rock & Amon, 2009; Shou *et al.*, 1999). A Ras-like small GTPase named Tem1 is the main switch located near the top of the MEN (Lee *et al.*, 2001a; Morishita *et al*, 1995; Scarfone & Piatti, 2015;

Shirayama *et al*, 1994b). When bound to GTP, Tem1 initiates the MEN signaling by recruiting the Cdc15 kinase to the spindle pole bodies (centrosome equivalent in yeast, SPB) which therein activates Dbf2 kinase in association with its regulatory subunit Mob1 (Asakawa *et al*, 2001; Cenamor *et al*, 1999; Visintin & Amon, 2001).

SPOC inhibits the MEN through inactivation of Tem1 by a bipartite GTPase Activating Complex (GAP) composed of Bfa1 and Bub2 proteins (Geymonat *et al*, 2002). Activity of the Bfa1-Bub2 GAP complex is tightly regulated at the level of Bfa1 phosphorylation. In cells with a correctly positioned anaphase spindle, the polo like kinase Cdc5 phosphorylates Bfa1 to prevent Bfa1-Bub2 GAP activity towards Tem1 (Hu *et al*, 2001). CDK also phosphorylates Bfa1 in an activating manner until anaphase when this phosphorylation is removed in a FEAR related manner (Caydasi *et al*, 2017). In the presence of spindle misalignment, however, Kin4 kinase phosphorylates Bfa1 (Maekawa *et al*, 2007). This phosphorylation prevents inhibitory phosphorylation of Bfa1 by Cdc5 kinase (Pereira & Schiebel, 2005). Consequently, Bfa1-Bub2 GAP complex activity is promoted, Tem1 activity is prevented, and exit from mitosis is inhibited.

SPBs, serving as a scaffold, play a key role in mitotic exit and its timely regulation by the spindle position (Campbell *et al*, 2020; Gruneberg *et al*, 2000; Pereira & Schiebel, 2001; Valerio-Santiago & Monje-Casas, 2011). When the spindle is properly oriented, Bfa1-Bub2 and Tem1 reside in a preferential, asymmetrical manner at the SPB that moves to the daughter cell (dSPB) (Molk *et al*, 2004; Pereira *et al.*, 2000). On contrary, Kin4 localizes exclusively to the SPB that stays in the mother cell (mSPB) during an unperturbed anaphase (D'Aquino *et al*, 2005; Pereira & Schiebel, 2005). Spindle misalignment alters SPB localization of SPOC components. Upon mispositioning of the mitotic spindle, Kin4 localizes to both SPBs (Gislene Pereira & Schiebel, 2005). Phosphorylation of Bfa1 by Kin4 promotes binding of the 14-3-3 family protein Bmh1 to Bfa1 which causes dissociation of Bfa1-Bub2 from SPBs (Caydasi *et al*, 2012; Caydasi *et al*, 2014; Caydasi & Pereira, 2009; Monje-Casas & Amon, 2009). Hence, upon spindle mispositioning, the amount of Bfa1-Bub2 at both SPBs decreases, while their cytoplasmic levels increase. The release of Bfa1-Bub2 from SPBs is thought to keep Bfa1-Bub2 away from the inhibitory kinase Cdc5 and thus prevent inactivation of Bfa1-Bub2 by Cdc5. However, what dephosphorylates the Cdc5 phosphorylated Bfa1 remains elusive.

Here, we identified Bud14 as a novel SPOC protein. Deletion of *BUD14* rescued cold sensitivity of *lte1Δ* cells, lethality of mitotic exit deficient *lte1Δ spo12Δ* cells, and growth

defects of MEN temperature sensitive mutants. Our data showed that *bud14Δ* cells accumulated multinucleated phenotypes when spindle positioning was impaired in cells via deletion of *KAR9* or *DYN1*. Fluorescence time-lapse microscopy revealed that *bud14Δ* cells failed to delay mitotic exit in response to spindle mispositioning. We further found that the mitotic exit inhibitory function Bud14 required its association with the type 1 protein phosphatase, Glc7. A temperature sensitive version of Glc7 (Glc7-ts) and a version of Bud14 that cannot interact with Glc7 caused SPOC deficiency and rescued growth of mitotic exit mutants. Yeast two hybrid data indicated an interaction between Bfa1 and Bud14 that required the presence of Bub2, which suggests that Bud14 may recognize Bfa1-Bub2. Intriguingly, *bud14Δ* cells had more Bfa1-Bub2 localized to SPBs, especially to the daughter oriented SPB, suggestive of a role for Bud14 in limiting SPB-bound levels of Bfa1-Bub2. We further observed that cells lacking Bud14 accumulated hyperphosphorylated Bfa1 forms during anaphase and through in vitro phosphatase assays, we showed that Glc7-Bud14 dephosphorylated this hyperphosphorylated forms Bfa1. Our data altogether indicates that Glc7-Bud14 is a novel mitotic exit inhibitor in budding yeast that works upon spindle mispositioning. We propose a checkpoint model in which two independent mechanisms activate the checkpoint effector: first, the SPOC kinase Kin4 prevents further Cdc5 phosphorylation of Bfa1 by rapidly removing Bfa1 away from the Cdc5 kinase and second, Glc7-Bud14 dephosphorylates the Cdc5-phosphorylated Bfa1, possibly in the cytoplasm, to activate the Bfa1-Bub2 GAP complex. Both mechanisms are crucial for rapid activation of the checkpoint effector Bfa1-Bub2 upon mispositioning of the anaphase spindle.

Results

Bud14 is a Novel Mitotic Exit Inhibitor

Lte1 is a mitotic exit activator that becomes essential for mitotic exit at cold temperatures (<16 °C) (Shirayama *et al*, 1994a). Although the exact function of Lte1 in mitotic exit is not fully understood, one of the ways that Lte1 promotes mitotic exit is by preventing binding of the SPOC kinase Kin4 to the SPB that has migrated into the bud and by inhibiting its activity therein (Bertazzi *et al*, 2011; Falk *et al*, 2011). At physiological temperatures (i.e. 30 °C) *lte1Δ* cells rely on the presence of the FEAR network to exit mitosis. Deletion of FEAR network components such as *SPO12* or *SLK19* in *lte1Δ* cells causes lethality due to failure of mitotic exit (Stegmeier *et al*, 2002). Lethality of the *lte1Δ spo12Δ* double mutants can be rescued by deletion of the known mitotic exit inhibitors *BFA1*, *BUB2* and *KIN4* (D'Aquino *et al.*, 2005; Stegmeier *et al.*, 2002). In order to identify novel mitotic exit inhibitors, we designed a genetic screen that looked for single gene deletions rescuing *lte1Δ spo12Δ* lethality. In addition to the known mitotic exit inhibitors *BFA1*, *BUB2* and *KIN4*, we identified *BUD14* as a novel gene that contributes to the mitotic arrest of *lte1Δ spo12Δ* cells (data not shown). Deletion of *BUD14* rescued lethality of *lte1Δ spo12Δ* cells (Figure 1A). Deletion of *BUD14* also rescued the cold sensitivity of *lte1Δ* cells (Figure 1B). This data indicates that Bud14 is a novel inhibitor of mitotic exit.

Deletion of mitotic exit inhibitors such as *BFA1*, *BUB2* and *KIN4* also rescues growth lethality of mitotic exit network (MEN) mutants. Thus, we next asked whether deletion of *BUD14* also promotes the growth of MEN mutants. For this, we deleted *BUD14* in several MEN-*ts* mutants (Jaspersen *et al.*, 1998) and compared their growth at different temperatures. In line with its mitotic exit inhibitory role, deletion of *BUD14* promoted growth of *dbf2-2*, *cdc15-1*, *mob1-67* and *cdc5-10* mutants at 37 °C, 35 °C, 33 °C and 35 °C respectively (Figure 1C). Notably, *bud14Δ* did not rescue the growth of the *cdc14-2* mutant (Figure 1C). Cdc14 is the essential phosphatase that is activated at the very downstream of the MEN pathway. The fact that *bud14Δ* rescues the MEN-*ts* mutants but not *cdc14-ts* suggests that Bud14 may function upstream of the MEN pathway.

bud14Δ cells are unable to inhibit mitotic exit upon spindle mispositioning

The known mitotic exit inhibitors Bfa1, Bub2 and Kin4 are key components of the Spindle Position Checkpoint (SPOC), which is a surveillance mechanism that inhibits the MEN upon

mispositioning of the anaphase spindle. We next, investigated whether Bud14 has a role in SPOC. To assess SPOC activity in *bud14Δ* cells, we first used a *kar9Δ* background. Kar9 (homolog of the mammalian tumor suppressor Adenomatous polyposis coli, APC) is a microtubule and actin associated protein, that links the astral microtubules with the actin cables to allow for spindle positioning along the mother-to-daughter polarity axis (Miller & Rose, 1998). Deletion of *KAR9* causes frequent spindle mispositioning at 30 °C and above. These cells, however, can correct their mispositioned spindle due to the presence of another spindle positioning pathway that is dependent on the minus-end directed microtubule motor protein Dynein (Eshel *et al*, 1993; Li *et al.*, 1993; Miller & Rose, 1998). Upon spindle mispositioning, cells with a functional SPOC arrest in anaphase until the spindle position is corrected; whereas SPOC deficient cells continue cell cycle progression resulting in formation of multinucleated and enucleated cells. As expected, *kin4Δ kar9Δ* or *bfa1Δ kar9Δ* cultures accumulated multinucleated cells while *kar9Δ* cultures did not (Figure 2A). Cultures of *bud14Δ kar9Δ* cells also accumulated such multinucleated phenotypes, indicating that Bud14 is crucial for maintenance of ploidy in cells lacking *KAR9* (Figure 2A)

Bud14 was shown to have a role in promoting dynein/dynactin activity at the bud cortex (Knaus *et al*, 2005). Considering the function of Dynein in spindle positioning, we asked whether the reason of multinucleation in *bud14Δ kar9Δ* cells was the lack of Dynein activity which in turn would prevent re-aligning of the anaphase spindle. If this was the case, we would expect to see no significant multinucleation phenotype when the SPOC activity was assayed in a background that already lacked Dynein activity. For this we used *dyn1Δ* cells that are deleted for the dynein heavy chain. *bud14Δ dyn1Δ* cells exhibited remarkable multinucleation, similar to SPOC deficient *kin4Δ dyn1Δ* cells (Figure 2B). This data indicates that the role of Bud14 in Dynein activation does not account for the observed multinucleation phenotype of *bud14Δ kar9Δ*.

Next, we analyzed the timing of mitotic exit in *bud14Δ* cells during spindle misalignment and normal alignment in a *GFP-TUB1 kar9Δ* background. *GFP-TUB1* served as a spindle marker. *kar9Δ* population contains cells with misaligned spindles as well as cells with normally aligned spindles, and thus allows analysis of anaphase duration in both cases. Cells were imaged through fluorescence time-lapse microscopy for 90 minutes with 1 min time-resolution at 30 °C. Anaphase duration was calculated as the time elapsed between the start of fast spindle elongation and the spindle breakage, which are indications of anaphase onset and mitotic exit respectively. The majority of *kar9Δ* cells with misaligned spindles stayed arrested with an

intact spindle during the course of the time-lapse movie, whereas *kin4Δ kar9Δ* cells with misaligned spindles broke their anaphase spindle (Figure 2C, *kar9Δ* red triangles vs *kar9Δ kin4Δ* black squares). *bud14Δ kar9Δ* cells with misaligned spindles also broke their spindle as an indication of their deficiency in keeping the SPOC arrest (Figure 2C, *kar9Δ bud14Δ*, black squares). These data altogether suggest that Bud14 is needed as a part of the SPOC mechanism to arrest the cells in mitosis upon spindle mispositioning.

Bud14 inhibits mitotic exit though its interaction with Glc7

Bud14 is a regulatory subunit of the type I Protein phosphatase (PP1) Glc7 (Cullen & Sprague, 2002; Knaus *et al.*, 2005; Lenssen *et al*, 2005). Therefore, we asked whether Bud14 exerts its mitotic exit inhibitory role through Glc7. To address this question, we impaired Glc7-Bud14 function using several mutants. First, we used a mutant version of Bud14 that cannot bind Gcl7 (*bud14-F379A*) (Knaus *et al.*, 2005) and analyzed its ability to rescue *lte1Δ* cold sensitivity. Deletion of *BUD14* rescued the growth of *lte1Δ* cells at 16 °C as shown earlier (Figure 1B). Introducing wild type *BUD14* but not the *bud14-F379A* mutant into *lte1Δ bud14Δ* cells restored cold sensitivity of *lte1Δ* cells (Figure 3A). This data indicates that Glc7-Bud14 interaction is essential for mitotic exit inhibitory function of Bud14. In line with this notion, a temperature sensitive *GLC7* mutant *glc7-12 (glc7-ts)* (Andrews & Stark, 2000; Cheng & Chen, 2010), rescued the lethality of *lte1Δ spo12Δ* cells at its semi-permissive temperature (33 °C), but not at its permissive temperature (18 °C) (Figure 3B, compare *lte1Δ spo12Δ glc7-ts* cells on 5FOA plates at 18 °C vs 33 °C). These data altogether suggest that Glc7-Bud14 complex has a mitotic exit inhibitory function.

Next, we investigated functional importance of Glc7-Bud14 interaction in SPOC functionality. Similar to *bud14Δ*, both *glc7-ts kar9Δ* and *bud14-F379A kar9Δ* cultures accumulated multinucleated cells (Figure 3C-3D), indicating that the mitotic exit inhibitory function of Glc7-Bud14 is also crucial for SPOC function.

Bud14 contains an SH3 domain at its amino terminal (amino acids 262-318), deletion of which diminishes Bud14 bud cortex localization (Knaus *et al.*, 2005). Similar to *bud14Δ*, *bud14-SH3Δ* caused SPOC deficiency (Figure 3E) and rescued *lte1Δ* cold sensitivity (Figure 3F). Thus, SH3 domain of Bud14 is important for Bud14 function in mitotic exit. Importantly, lack of SH3 domain also diminishes ability of Bud14 to interact with Glc7 (Knaus *et al.*, 2005). Considering that Bud14 Glc7 interaction is necessary for this role, it may be due to impairment

of Glc7-Bud14 interaction in the *bud14-SH3Δ* mutant that causes loss of mitotic exit inhibitory function of Bud14. Additionally, Bud14 cortex localization may as well be crucial for Bud14 mitotic exit inhibitory function via alternative mechanisms.

Bud14's function in SPOC is independent of its role in formin regulation

Bud14 is an inhibitor of the formin Bnr1 (Chesarone *et al*, 2009). It regulates actin cable formation through its formin-regulatory motif (amino acids 135-150) (Chesarone *et al.*, 2009; Eskin *et al*, 2016). Bud14's function in controlling formin activity also requires its interaction with KELCH domain proteins Kel1 and Kel2 (Gould *et al*, 2014). We addressed the contribution of actin regulatory role of Bud14 to its mitotic exit inhibitory function through two independent approaches. First, we made use of the *bud14-5A* mutant whose formin-regulatory motif is disrupted by five alanine amino acid substitutions at Bud14 residues 135 and 137–140 (Eskin *et al.*, 2016). Ectopic expression of *bud14-5A* on a centromeric plasmid rescued the SPOC deficient phenotype of *bud14Δ kar9Δ* cells (Figure 3E). Similarly, expression of *bud14-5A* in *lte1Δbud14Δ* cells complemented the *BUD14* deletion by restoring cold sensitivity of *lte1Δ* (Figure 3E). Second, we made used of *kel1Δ* and *kel2Δ* cells. Kel1, Kel2 and Bud14 forms a stable complex that regulate the formin Bnr1. Any missing protein from this complex causes actin cable defects similar to *bud14Δ* cells (Gould *et al.*, 2014). We reasoned that if Kel1-Kel2-Bud14 complex that is crucial for actin regulation is also important for SPOC functionality, deletion of *KEL1* or *KEL2* would cause SPOC deficiency similar to *bud14Δ* cells. However, this was not the case. Unlike *bud14Δ kar9Δ* cells, *kel1Δ kar9Δ* or *kel2Δ kar9Δ* cells did not display a SPOC deficient phenotype (Figure 3G). These data altogether suggest that Bud14 function in SPOC is independent of its role in actin cable regulation.

Interestingly, deletion of *KEL1* also rescues cold sensitivity of *lte1Δ* similar to deletion of *BUD14* (Hofken & Schiebel, 2002; Seshan *et al*, 2002) (Figure 3H). Synthetic lethality of *lte1Δ spo12Δ* on the other hand, can only be slightly rescued by the deletion of *KEL1*, whereas deletion of *BUD14* in *lte1Δ spo12Δ* cells exhibits a more pronounced growth rescue phenotype (Figure 3I). Deletion of *KEL2* however does not rescue *lte1Δ spo12Δ* lethality, while it only has a minor impact on cold sensitivity of *lte1Δ* cells (Figure 3H-3I). These data agree with previous reports that Kel1 and Kel2 has a mitotic exit inhibitory function (Geymonat *et al*, 2010; Hofken & Schiebel, 2002; Seshan *et al.*, 2002) and suggest that this function of Kel1 and

Kel2 in mitotic exit inhibition differs from that of Bud14 as Kel1/Kel2 are not influencing the SPOC.

Bud14 does not work in Kin4 branch of SPOC

To this end, we showed that Glc7-Bud14 has a role in mitotic exit inhibition in cells with misaligned spindles. Intriguingly, even though *BUD14* deletion caused SPOC deficiency, duration of anaphase in *bud14Δ kar9Δ* cells was slightly longer during spindle misalignment than during spindle normal alignment (Figure 2C, *bud14Δ*, squares vs circles). Similar phenomenon was also observed in *kar9Δ kin4Δ* cells (Figure 2C, *kin4Δ*, squares vs circles) (Caydasi *et al.*, 2017; Falk *et al*, 2016b). This indicates that in the absence of Bud14 or Kin4, cells are still able to delay mitotic exit albeit for short time. In contrast, cells in which both *KIN4* and *BUD14* were deleted did not exhibit any delay in mitotic exit upon spindle mispositioning (Figure 2C, *kar9Δ bud14Δ kin4Δ* black squares vs circles). Thus, *KIN4* and *BUD14* deletion show an additive effect. This data suggests that Kin4 and Bud14 work in parallel to keep the mitotic arrest in cells with misaligned spindles. In line with this notion, the percentage of multinucleated cells in *kin4Δ bud14Δ kar9Δ* was greater than that of *kin4Δ kar9Δ* and *bud14Δ kar9Δ* but was similar to the *bfa1Δ kar9Δ* (Figure 2A). Likewise, multinucleation phenotype was more prominent in *kin4Δ bud14Δ dyn1Δ* cells than in *kin4Δ dyn1Δ* and *bud14Δ dyn1Δ* cells (Figure 2B).

Kin4 is the key SPOC kinase that phosphorylates Bfa1 upon spindle misalignment to promote Bfa1-Bub2 GAP activity. Kin4 overexpression blocks exit from mitosis through constitutive Bfa1-Bub2 activation and thus results in lethality (D'Aquino *et al.*, 2005). This lethality can be rescued by deletion of *BFA1* or *BUB2*, which are the most downstream SPOC components. Lethality of Kin4 overexpression can as well be rescued by deletion of *RTS1* or *ELM1*, which are Kin4 regulators, and deletion of *BMH1*, which works downstream of *KIN4* (Caydasi *et al*, 2010b; Caydasi *et al.*, 2014). Unlike aforementioned gene deletions, deletion of *BUD14* did not rescue the lethality of Kin4 overexpression (Figure S1A). Thus, overproduced Kin4 is still able to activate Bfa1 constitutively in the absence Bud14. In addition, Kin4 localization or mobility on SDS-PAGE was not altered in cells lacking Bud14 (Figure S1B-S1C), indicating that Bud14 does not act upstream of Kin4. These data altogether are in support of our conclusion that Bud14 does not work in the Kin4 branch of SPOC, it rather acts in a pathway parallel to Kin4 to prevent mitotic exit.

Bud14 interacts with Bfa1 in the yeast two hybrid system

We sought to understand whether Bud14 interacts with SPOC proteins. For this, we performed a yeast two hybrid assay. We used Bfa1, Bub2 and Kin4 as a bait and Kel1 as a positive control in this assay. Formation of a blue color indicates activation of the ß-galactosidase gene and hence physical interaction of LexA DNA binding domain fused with Bud14 (PMM5-Bud14) and Gal4-Activation Domain fused with the bait protein (pMM6-Bait protein). We observed blue color formation in cells bearing pMM5-Bud14 and pMM6-Kel1 as expected due their known physical interaction (Gould *et al.*, 2014; Krogan *et al*, 2006; Neller *et al*, 2015). We observed a similar interaction between Bud14 and Bfa1 but not Bub2 or Kin4 (Figure 4A). Intriguingly, deletion of *BUB2* but not *KIN4* ceased blue color formation in cells with pMM5-Bud14 and pMM6-Bfa1, indicating that Bud14-Bfa1 interaction is dependent on presence of Bub2 (Figure 4B). Although we could observe an interaction in the yeast two hybrid system we could not detect Co-IP between Bfa1-Bud14, neither we could detect an interaction between Bub2-Bud14, which may be an indication of the transient nature of Bud14-Bfa1 interaction.

Bud14 limits the amount of Bfa1-Bub2 and Tem1 at SPBs but does not affect Bfa1 symmetry upon spindle mispositioning

SPOC functionality relies on a radical change in SPB localization of Bfa1-Bub2. When the spindle is properly oriented, Bfa1-Bub2 preferentially localizes to the SPB that moves to the daughter cell (dSPB). Upon spindle misalignment Bfa1-Bub2 is released from dSPB, hence low levels of Bfa1-Bub2 is attained at both SPBs. We thus asked whether SPB localization of Bfa1-Bub2 is altered in the absence of Bud14. First, we compared the SPB-bound levels of Bfa1-GFP at SPBs in wild type and *bud14Δ* cells with normally aligned anaphase spindles (spindle length >3µm) (Figure 5A). To our surprise, more Bfa1-GFP was localized at SPBs in *bud14Δ* cells compared to wild type cells. This difference was more pronounced at the dSPB. Importantly, increased Bfa1-GFP signal at the dSPB of *bud14Δ* cells returned to wild type levels when *BUD14* was introduced in these cells on a plasmid (Figure 5B). Bub2-GFP and Tem1-GFP dSPB localization was also remarkably higher in *bud14Δ* cells than wild type cells (Figure S2A-2B). Such increase in SPB-bound levels of Bfa1-Bub2 and Tem1 was not restricted to anaphase but was also present before anaphase onset (spindle length = 1,5-2 µm) (Figure S2C).

We next analyzed SPB-bound Bfa1 levels in cells with misaligned anaphase spindles. Similar to the situation in cells with correctly aligned spindles, *bud14Δ kar9Δ* cells with misoriented spindles had more Bfa1-GFP at their SPBs than *kar9Δ* cells, however less Bfa1-GFP compared to *bud14Δ kar9Δ* cells with correctly positioned spindles (Figure S2D). When the anaphase spindle elongates in the wrong direction, phosphorylation of Bfa1 by Kin4 causes dissociation of Bfa1-Bub2 from dSPB. Consequently, SPB localization of Bfa1-GFP changes from asymmetric (more at the dSPB than mSPB) to more symmetric (similar at both SPBs) upon spindle mispositioning. We thus asked whether *bud14Δ* cells were able to change their Bfa1 localization from asymmetric to symmetric in response to spindle misalignment. As a measure of signal asymmetry at SPBs, we analyzed the ratio of Bfa1-GFP at SPBs both in cells with correctly aligned and misaligned anaphase spindles (Figure 5C). For this, we used the *kar9Δ* background that allowed us to observe cells with normal and mis-positioned spindles in the same population. In response to spindle mispositioning, Bfa1-GFP asymmetry was drastically reduced in *kar9Δ* cells, whereas it did not significantly change in *kin4Δ kar9Δ* cells (Figure 5C). Similar to *kar9Δ* cells, Bfa1-GFP asymmetry was also greatly decreased in *bud14Δ kar9Δ* cells when the spindle was mispositioned (Figure 5C). We also analyzed the behavior of Bfa1-GFP through time-lapse experiments. Consistent with previous reports, SPB bound levels of Bfa1-GFP in *kar9Δ* cells drastically decreased within few minutes after elongation of the anaphase spindle in the wrong direction (Caydasi & Pereira, 2009) (Figure S3A). Bfa1-GFP also rapidly decreased at the SPBs of *bud14Δ kar9Δ* cells (Figure S3B), which was not the case for *kar9Δ kin4Δ* cells (Figure S3C). Thus, unlike Kin4, Bud14 does not promote a change in SPB localization of Bfa1 in response to spindle mispositioning, but rather causes an overall increase in the levels of SPB-bound Bfa1 regardless of the spindle position. This notion is in line with our previous conclusion that Bud14 does not work via Kin4 branch of SPOC.

Bud14 promotes Bfa1 dephosphorylation during anaphase

We next investigated whether Bud14 impinges on Bfa1phosphorylation. For this, we made use of cells bearing Gal1-UPL-*TEM1*, which leads to a telophase arrest in glucose containing medium via depletion of Tem1. Wild type cells arrest in telophase with hyperphosphorylated Bfa1 (Bertazzi *et al.*, 2011; Hu *et al.*, 2001). This form of Bfa1 is established to be Cdc5-dependent and hence inactive (Hu *et al.*, 2001). *lte1Δ* cells fail to accumulate such hyperphosphorylated Bfa1 due to localization of Kin4 at both SPBs (Figure 6A-6B and Figure S4A) (Bertazzi *et al.*, 2011; Falk *et al.*, 2011). SPB localized Kin4 phosphorylates Bfa1 which

in turn prevents Cdc5 phosphorylation of Bfa1. Thus, Gal1-*UPL-TEM1 lte1Δ* cells arrest in late anaphase similar to a SPOC activated state. Consequently, Bfa1 hyperphosphorylation is restored in *lte1Δ kin4Δ* cells (Bertazzi *et al.*, 2011) (Figure 6A-6B). Similar to deletion of *KIN4*, deletion of *BUD14* in *lte1Δ* cells also resulted in appearance of slow migrating Bfa1 forms during anaphase (Figure 6A-6B, t ≥ 75 min, cells with separated nucleus ≥ %80). Notably, Kin4 was localized at both SPBs of *lte1Δ* cells during anaphase independently of *BUD14* (Figure S4). Thus, we conclude that Glc7-Bud14 promotes Bfa1 dephosphorylation in *lte1Δ* cells independently of Kin4.

In order to understand whether Glc7-Bud14 dephosphorylates Bfa1, we took two approaches. First, we asked whether inactivation of Glc7 in total protein extracts of telophase arrested cells would lead to a mobility shift in Bfa1-3HA. To inhibit Glc7 we used okadaic acid. Okadaic acid is a PP1 and PP2 inhibitor, lower concentration of which is sufficient to inhibit PP2 (1-2 nM) whereas a thousand times more okadaic acid is required to inhibit PP1 (Bialojan & Takai, 1988; Cohen *et al*, 1989a; Cohen *et al*, 1989b). We obtained total native protein extracts from telophase arrested Gal1-*UPL-TEM1 kin4Δ* cells in the absence of any phosphatase inhibitor or in the presence of 2 nM or 1,5 μM okadaic acid to inhibit PP2 only or both PP1 and PP2 respectively (Figure 6C). Addition of 1,5 μM but not 2 nM okadaic acid resulted in an upshift of Bfa1-3HA (Figure 6C). This data indicates that first, Glc7 in the cell extracts of telophase arrested cells promotes dephosphorylation of Bfa1-3HA.

Next, we performed an *in vitro* dephosphorylation assay. For this, we enriched Bfa1-3HA from *kin4Δ* Gal1-UPL-*TEM1* cells arrested in telophase through depletion of Tem1 and incubated it with immunoprecipitated Glc7-TAP or Bud14-TAP in the presence or absence of okadaic acid. Addition of Glc7-TAP in the phosphatase reaction caused a down shift of Bfa1-3HA (Figure 6D, lane 1 versus 2). This downshift was still prominent in the presence of 2 nM okadaic acid but not when 1,5 μM okadaic acid was added (Figure 6D, lane 3 versus 4). Similarly, immunoprecipitated Bud14-TAP also caused a downshift in Bfa1-3HA (Figure 6D, lane 1 or 4 versus 5) which was diminished in the presence of 1,5 μM okadaic acid. These data altogether show that hyperphosphorylated Bfa1 is dephosphorylated by Glc7-Bud14.

Bud14 bud cortex localization is reduced during late anaphase

Bud14 was shown to localize at bud tips, bud cortex and bud neck in a cell cycle dependent manner (Knaus *et al.*, 2005). We analyzed Bud14 localization specifically in cells with

misaligned and normally aligned anaphase spindles. During early- and mid-anaphase (Figure 7A, spindle length 3-5µm and 5-6µm) majority of cells with normally aligned spindles had Bud14-GFP enriched at the bud cortex. However, in cells with misaligned spindles Bud14 cortex localization was significantly decreased (Figure 7A). Intriguingly, in cells with correctly aligned spindles Bud14-GFP was also diminished from the bud cortex during late anaphase (spindle length >6µm), which led us hypothesize that the observed reduction in Bud14 bud cortex localization in cells with misaligned spindles might be a consequence of a prolonged anaphase arrest. To test this, we monitored Bud14-GFP localization through time lapse experiments. In consistence with previous reports, Bud14-GFP localized to the future bud sites at the start of the cell cycle and enlarged there like a crest shape at the bud cortex as the bud grew. As the spindle elongated in correct direction the bud cortex localization reduced gradually and finally disappeared as it started to accumulate at the bud neck (Figure 7B, upper cell, where start of anaphase is marked with an asterisk). Bud neck accumulation of Bud14-GFP coincided with spindle breakdown (Figure 7B, upper cell, indicated with an arrow) which marks the end of mitosis. When the anaphase spindle was misaligned, Bud14 localized to the bud tip similar to cells with a normally aligned spindle (Figure 7B, lower cell, where start of the anaphase is marked with an asterisk). Bud14 localization at the bud cortex gradually disappeared in these cells as they stayed arrested in anaphase, in a way similar to cells with correctly aligned spindles (Figure 7B, lower cell). This data suggests that the reduced cortex localization occurs after spindle misalignment and is possibly a consequence of the mitotic arrest rather than a direct response.

Discussion

SPOC is a surveillance mechanism that inhibits mitotic exit in response to spindle mispositioning. Protein phosphorylation and localization play a key role in SPOC. Especially the activity of Bfa1, the most downstream effector of the SPOC is tightly controlled with respect to the spindle orientation through phosphorylation by the polo like kinase Cdc5 and the mother specific kinase Kin4 in an opposing manner. Phosphorylation of Bfa1 in turn affects localization of Bfa1-Bub2 and hence the activity and the localization of the GTPase Tem1 at SPBs. Despite the knowledge on Bfa1 phosphorylating kinases, knowledge on phosphatases counteracting these kinases has been limited. In this study we established Glc7-Bud14 as a novel SPOC component that dephosphorylates Bfa1. Our work supports a model where Bfa1-Bub2 is activated by Glc7-Bud14 (Figure 8).

Glc7-Bud14 is a SPOC component

Our study identified Glc7, the budding yeast protein phosphatase 1, in association with its regulatory subunit Bud14 as a novel SPOC component that inhibits mitotic exit upon spindle mispositioning. Several lines of evidence led us to this conclusion. First, similar to other SPOC proteins, *BUD14* deletion rescued growth of several mutants impaired in mitotic exit, including the cold sensitive *lte1Δ* cells, the temperature sensitive MEN mutants (*cdc15-1*, *dbf2-2*, *cdc5-10* and *mob1-67*), and the synthetic lethal *lte1Δ spo12Δ* cells. Impairment of Glc7 function via a Glc7-temperature sensitive (*glc7-ts*) mutant also rescued growth lethality of *lte1Δ spo12Δ* cells. In addition, a Bud14 mutant that cannot bind Glc7 (*bud14-F379A*) (Knaus *et al.*, 2005) also rescued cold sensitivity of *lte1Δ* cells. Second, similar to other SPOC proteins, *BUD14* deletion caused accumulation of multinucleated cells when spindle misalignment was induced in cells by deletion of *KAR9* or *DYN1*, implying that *bud14Δ* cells are deficient in arresting upon mispositioning of the anaphase spindle. Of importance, similar to *bud14Δ*, *glc7-ts* and the *bud14-F379A* mutants were also SPOC deficient. Bud14 was implicated in the Dynein pathway of spindle positioning (Knaus *et al.*, 2005). However, deletion of *BUD14* caused accumulation of multinucleated phenotypes not only in *kar9Δ* but also in *dyn1Δ* backgrounds indicating that the function of Bud14 in Dynein activation is not contributing to the observed multinucleation phenotype. In line with this notion, time-lapse analysis revealed that *bud14Δ kar9Δ* cells exited mitosis with similar timing regardless of the spindle position. Of importance the anaphase duration of *bud14Δ kar9Δ* cells with normally positioned spindles was not different than that of *kar9Δ* cells. Thus, similar to other SPOC components, absence of *BUD14*

does not affect the timing of mitotic exit when the spindle is correctly positioned, but it is crucial for delaying exit from mitosis when the spindle is misoriented.

Glc7-Bud14 works in a pathway parallel to Kin4

Our data showed that Bud14 does not work in the Kin4 branch of SPOC. First, Kin4 localization and phosphorylation did not depend on Bud14. Second, Kin4 overexpression still caused toxicity in *BUD14* deleted cells indicating that Kin4, when produced at high levels, is able to keep Bfa1 away from the SPB and Cdc5. Furthermore, time-lapse analysis of Bfa1 localization during spindle misalignment showed that Bfa1 is being removed from SPBs of *bud14Δ* cells with misaligned spindles, while removal of Bfa1 from SPBs is largely a Kin4 dependent process (Caydasi & Pereira, 2009; Monje-Casas & Amon, 2009). Thus, Kin4 is able to exert its effect on Bfa1 in the absence of *BUD14*. These data altogether exclude the possibility that Bud14 works through Kin4 branch of the SPOC and suggests a model in which Glc7-Bud14 prevents mitotic exit of cells with misaligned spindles in a way parallel to Kin4. In support of this model, we observed an additive decrease in anaphase duration of *kin4Δ bud14Δ* cells with misaligned spindles compared to the cells bearing single gene deletions of either *KIN4* or *BUD14*. Importantly, *kin4Δ bud14Δ* cells completely failed to delay mitotic exit while *kin4Δ* or *bud14Δ* cells were able to slightly delay mitotic exit in response to spindle misorientation (Figure 2C). Accordingly, *kin4Δ bud14Δ* cells were as SPOC deficient as *bfa1Δ* cells (Figure 2A). Thus, we propose that Kin4 and Bud14 work in parallel and presence of both is critical for a robust SPOC arrest.

Interestingly, neither *KIN4* nor *BUD14* is required for spindle assembly checkpoint dependent metaphase arrest of cells, whereas Bfa1-Bub2 is (data not shown) (Pereira & Schiebel, 2005). This suggest that the Kin4 and Bud14 become important to halt mitotic exit after APC/Cdc20 activation at the metaphase-anaphase transition. Anaphase onset also brings about the partial activation of Cdc14 by the FEAR pathway which primes MEN activation in several ways and Kin4 was shown to be dispensable for SPOC in cells lacking FEAR activity (Caydasi *et al.*, 2017; Falk *et al*, 2016a; Scarfone *et al*, 2015). Consistently, Bud14 was also dispensable for SPOC in *spo12Δ* cells that lack FEAR (data not shown). These data support that Kin4 and Bud14 work in parallel to keep Bfa1-Bub2 active in anaphase, to provide an arrest of anaphase cells prior to mitotic exit.

Glc7-Bud14 promotes dephosphorylation of Bfa1

The SPOC component Bfa1 is a highly phosphorylated protein in a cell cycle dependent manner. So far, Bfa1 has been shown to be the target of kinases Cdk1, Cdc5 and Kin4 (Caydasi *et al.*, 2017; Geymonat *et al*, 2003; Hu *et al.*, 2001; Pereira & Schiebel, 2005). It is possible that other kinases may also phosphorylate Bfa1. There has been an ongoing curiosity for phosphatases that act on Bfa1. So far, Cdc14 was shown to counteract Cdk1 phosphorylation of Bfa1 (Caydasi *et al.*, 2017) and PP2A-Cdc55 was shown to decrease Cdc5 dependent phosphorylation of Bfa1 (Baro *et al*, 2013). Our data that Bfa1 appears hyperphosphorylated in *lte1Δ bud14Δ* cells during an anaphase arrest that mimics SPOC activation indicate that Glc7-Bud14 promotes dephosphorylation of Bfa1. Consistently, inactivation of Glc7 by okadaic acid was able to promote hyperphosphorylation of Bfa1 in anaphase cell extracts. Furthermore, through an in vitro dephosphorylation assay we showed that Glc7-Bud14 is able to dephosphorylate the hyperphosphorylated form of Bfa1. We also observed an interaction between Bfa1 and Bud14 in yeast two hybrid assays, however we could not detect co-immunoprecipitation of Bfa1 and Bud14 (unpublished data) which might be an indication of the transient nature of this interaction.

Curiously, Bfa1-Bud14 interaction observed in the yeast two hybrid assay required presence of Bub2. Thus, Bud14 may recognize Bfa1-Bub2 as a complex, or the interaction between Bud14 and Bfa1 may require *in vivo* modifications of Bfa1 that occur only when bound to Bub2. It has been known that hyperphosphorylated forms of Bfa1 abolishes in the absence of Bub2 (Lee *et al*, 2001b). In addition, Bfa1 fails to localize to SPBs in the absence of Bub2 (Pereira *et al.*, 2000). Furthermore, Bfa1 phosphorylation by Cdc5 takes place at SPBs (Maekawa *et al.*, 2007; Pereira *et al.*, 2000). These altogether are suggestive of a model in which Glc7-Bud14 may recognize specifically a phosphorylated form of Bfa1. We favor a speculative model where Glc7-Bud14 dephosphorylates Cdc5-phosphorylated Bfa1 specifically upon spindle misalignment. This model is also in concordance with our previous conclusion that Glc7-Bud14 works in a parallel pathway to Kin4. Removal of Cdc5 dependent phosphorylation of Bfa1 by Glc7-Bud14 and isolation of Bfa1 away from the inhibitory Cdc5 kinase activity by Kin4 would concertedly reduce the levels of Cdc5 phosphorylated Bfa1 and thus work together to rapidly increase the levels of active Bfa1-Bub2 (Figure 8).

Kin4 phosphorylation of Bfa1 prevents Cdc5 phosphorylation of Bfa1 both during SPOC activation (i.e. anaphase arrest of *lte1Δ* cells that mimics SPOC arrest) and during the metaphase arrest upon nocodazole treatment (Bertazzi *et al.*, 2011; D'Aquino *et al.*, 2005;

Pereira & Schiebel, 2005). However, unlike *kin4Δ* cells, *bud14Δ* cells arrested in metaphase through nocodazole treatment did not have hyperphosphorylated Bfa1 (data not shown). This discrepancy between Kin4 and Glc7-Bud14 may indicate alternative scenarios: First, Glc7-Bud14 may dephosphorylate sites other than those phosphorylated by Cdc5. Second, there may be redundant mechanisms of Bfa1 dephosphorylation at Cdc5 phosphorylation sites that especially dominate in metaphase. PP2A-Cdc55 was shown to counteract Bfa1 phosphorylation and cells lacking PP2A-Cdc55 activity had hyperphosphorylated Bfa1 in metaphase arrested cells (Baro *et al.*, 2013). Therefore, one possibility is that PP2A-Cdc55 and Glc7-Bud14 may work redundantly to dephosphorylate Cdc5 phosphorylated Bfa1 at different stages of the cell cycle.

Bud14 deletion causes an increase in SPB-bound levels of Bfa1-Bub2 and Tem1

We observed that cells lacking *BUD14* had more Bfa1, Bub2, and Tem1 localized at SPBs. This increase was more pronounced at the dSPB, making their localization more asymmetric. The asymmetry of Bfa1 at SPBs was shown to be dependent on Cdc5, as in the absence of Cdc5 activity Bfa1 localized more symmetrically to SPBs (Kim *et al*, 2012). Thus, presence of more Cdc5 phosphorylated Bfa1 in *bud14Δ* cells may account for increased levels of Bfa1 at the dSPB and also Bub2 and Tem1 which bind SPBs in association with Bfa1. Alternatively, Glc7-Bud14 may have other targets that might increase Bfa1-Bub2 docking sites at the SPBs.

As suggested before (Scarfone *et al.*, 2015; Valerio-Santiago & Monje-Casas, 2011), increased Bfa1-Bub2 localization at SPBs can lead to increased MEN activity, as it also causes increased Tem1 association with SPBs. So, Bud14 may be inhibiting mitotic exit by two means: activation of Bfa1-Bub2 GAP complex through dephosphorylation and limiting the SPB-bound levels of Bfa1-Bub2, where the latter is most likely a consequence of the former.

Where does Bud14-Glc7 dephosphorylate Bfa1?

Bud cortex localization of Bud14 diminishes as the cells progress through anaphase both in cells with misaligned spindles and in cells with normally aligned spindles. Once disappeared from the bud cortex, Bud14 starts accumulating at the bud neck in cells with normal aligned spindles but not in cells with misaligned spindles. Thus, Bud14 is mostly cytoplasmic in cells with misaligned spindles, and Glc7-Bud14 may have access to Bfa1-Bub2 therein. Considering that Bfa1-Bub2 binding to SPBs is highly dynamic in cells with misaligned spindles and Bfa1-

Bub2 is released from SPBs into the cytoplasm, Glc7-Bud14 may dephosphorylate Bfa1 in the cytoplasm.

Interestingly a truncated version of Bud14 that lacks the SH3 domain was also unable to inhibit mitotic exit. This truncated Bud14 is unable to localize at the bud cortex and also have reduced binding to Glc7 (Knaus et al., 2005). Thus, one possible explanation is that *Bud14-SH3Δ* may fail to inhibit mitotic exit due to its reduced association with Glc7. Alternatively, bud cortex localization of Bud14 may be important for Bud14 function in mitotic exit inhibition. Glc7-Bud14 was implicated in microtubule cortex interactions. Although our observations that Bud14 bud cortex localization remains low during spindle misalignment may argue against the latter, Glc7-Bud14 function at the daughter cell cortex may be particularly important for SPOC mechanism in sensing spindle positioning defects. How spindle alignment is sensed, and this information activates SPOC still remain unknown. Data based on Kin4 activity on Bfa1 indicates that SPOC mechanism may sense microtubule-cortex interactions (Caydasi & Pereira, 2009; Maekawa *et al.*, 2007; Monje-Casas & Amon, 2009; Pereira & Schiebel, 2005). Due to their known function in regulating microtubule-cortex interactions (Knaus *et al.*, 2005), Glc7-Bud14 constitutes a great candidate for sensing of such interactions. Considering that Glc7 (PP1) is a conserved phosphatase, similar mechanisms may be employed by higher eukaryotes. Future work will show whether Glc7-Bud14 may act as a sensor that translates the unattached microtubule-cortex interactions to the downstream SPOC machinery.

Role of PP1 through the cell cycle

PP1 has numerous functions in the control of the cell cycle (Holder *et al*, 2019; Kim *et al*, 2016; Moura & Conde, 2019; Nasa & Kettenbach, 2018). PP1, together with PP2A, is required for mitotic exit in animal cells by counteracting CDK activity (Wu *et al*, 2009). In human cells, PP1 also regulates centrosome splitting by antagonizing the Nek2 kinase (Meraldi & Nigg, 2001). In addition, PP1 facilitates abscission by counteracting Plk1 mediated phosphorylation of the centrosomal protein CEP55 during late mitosis and thus promoting its midbody localization (Gao *et al*, 2018). In meiosis of Xenopus oocytes, PP1 regulates G2/M transition by partially activating Cdc25 (Perdiguero & Nebreda, 2004). From yeast to mammals, PP1 is essential for silencing of the spindle assembly checkpoint by stabilizing kinetochore microtubule interactions by counteracting Aurora B and by potentially regulating recruitment of MCC to kinetochores (Kelly & Funabiki, 2009; Kotwaliwale & Biggins, 2006; Musacchio & Salmon, 2007; Ruchaud *et al*, 2007). In this study, we show that budding yeast PP1, Glc7,

inhibits mitotic exit upon anaphase spindle mispositioning. This function of PP1 seems to be opposite to the mitotic exit promoting role of PP1 reported in animal cells. The fact that mitotic exit is achieved by the Cdc14 phosphatase in budding yeast, instead of the PP1 and PP2 phosphatases (Manzano-Lopez & Monje-Casas, 2020) is likely the reason for Glc7 gaining a different function after the anaphase onset during the narrow time window until exit from mitosis.

Materials Methods

Yeast methods, strains and growth

All yeast strains used are isogenic with S288C and are listed in Table 1. Basic yeast methods and growth media were as described (Sherman, 1991). Carbon source is glucose unless otherwise stated. When necessary 2% D-Raffinose, 3% D(+)-Galactose was used instead of glucose. Yeast strains were grown at 30 °C and in rich medium unless otherwise stated. Plasmid containing strains were grown in synthetic complete (SC) media lacking the appropriate auxotrophic nutrients. The temperature sensitive mutants and *kar9Δ* cells were maintained at 23 °C. Cassette PCR-based gene editing method was used for chromosomal gene deletion and C-terminal or N-terminal tagging (Janke *et al*, 2004; Knop *et al*, 1999). To determine genetic interactions based on growth, mutant yeast strains bearing the wild type gene on a *URA3*-based plasmid (pRS316) were spotted on 5-Fluoroorotic acid (5FOA) plates. 5FOA plates negatively selects for the *URA3*-based plasmid and allows for observation of the growth phenotype in the absence of the corresponding plasmid. Most *kar9Δ* cells were maintained complemented with *KAR9* on *URA3-based* centromeric plasmid (pGW399), and stroke on 5FOA plates to induce plasmid lost shortly before experiments on SPOC analysis. The plasmids used in this study are listed in Table 2.

Cell growth comparison on agar plates

Yeast cultures were inoculated in appropriate growth conditions for 24-48 hours. The OD_{600} of the cultures were adjusted to 1 and 10-fold serial dilutions were made using sterile PBS. 10 µl of serial dilutions were spotted on appropriate agar plates and grown at appropriate temperatures for 1-3 days.

Cell cycle synchronizations

Cells were synchronized in G1 phase by treating log-phase cultures with 10 µg/ml α-factor (Sigma #T6901) dissolved in DMSO and incubating for one and a half doubling time. For synchronization in metaphase without spindles, 15 µg/ml nocodazole (Sigma #M1404) dissolved in DMSO were added to log-phase cultures and incubated for ~2h. The arrest was confirmed by microscopy after fixing the cells with 70% Ethanol and re-suspending in PBS containing 1 µg/ml 4',6-diamino-2-phenylindole (DAPI, Sigma). For nocodazole arrest from G1 synchronized yeast cultures, cells were first treated with α-factor and released in

nocodazole containing YPAD. For telophase arrest of Gal1-UPL-Tem1 bearing cells, after cultures were grown to log-phase in Raffinose-Galactose containing medium, cells were transferred into transferred into YPAD medium and grown for ~3 h (until >%90) cells were arrested with large buds and 2 DAPI. For telophase arrest fom G1 arrested cells; first, log-phase cultures of Gal1-UPL-Tem1 bearing cells grown in Raffinose/Galactose were treated with α-factor. 30 min before G1 synchronization was completed, glucose was added to the culture to give 2% final concentration. Then cells were released from α-factor in YPAD. The arrest was confirmed by microscopy after ethanol fixation of the cells and staining the nucleus with DAPI.

Microscopy Methods

All fluorescence microscopy methods were performed using Carl ZEISS Axio Observer 7 motorized inverted epifluorescence microscope equipped with Colibri 7 LED light source, Axiocam 702 Monochrome camera, 100X and 63X Plan Apochromat immersion oil objective lenses, Filter sets 95 (GFP/Cherry), 20 (Rhodamin), FITC and DAPI, and an XL incubation and climate chamber. For Kin4-GFP, GFP-Tubulin, Bud14-GFP analysis 63X objective was used. For analysis of Bfa1-GFP, Bub2-GFP, Tem1-GFP 100X objective was used.

For end-point analysis of samples, wet mounts of samples were prepared by sandwiching 2 µl of culture between the coverslip-slide. Cells were either fixed using 70% Ethanol and stained with DAPI or analyzed live. For time-lapse experiments, cells were prepared on glass bottom petri dishes (WVR 10810-054 Matsunami) as described (Caydasi & Pereira, 2017). Briefly, the glass center of the petri dish was covered with 6% Concanavalin A (*Canavalia ensiformis* Jack Bean, type IV Sigma C2010-G). Excess Concanavalin A was washed out and 150 µl of culture was pipetted on the dish followed by a 30 min incubation at 30 °C. Then, cells were aspirated gently and cells there were not attached on the dish were washed out with pre-warmed fresh media. After the final wash, the dish was filled with media and taken to the microscope stage in preheated chamber 1 hour in advance the start of the time-lapse.

SPOC functionality assays

For end point analysis of SPOC functionality, log-phase *kar9Δ* cells cultured at 23°C were incubated at 30°C for 3-5 h or log-phase *dyn1Δ* cells cultured at 30 °C were incubated at 18 °C overnight. Cells were fixed using 70% Ethanol, re-suspended in PBS containing 1 µg/ml DAPI and analyzed by microscopy. Cells bearing normal and misaligned nuclei, and cells with

SPOC-deficient phenotypes including multinucleated cells were counted. Percentage of indicated phenotypes were plotted in Excel. For time lapse analysis of SPOC functionality, GFP-Tubulin bearing *kar9Δ* cells were imaged every minute for 90 min at 30 °C. 10 z-stacks of 0.4 μm thickness were taken at each time point. Anaphase duration of cells with correct and misaligned spindles was calculated as the time from the start of fast spindle elongation (metaphase-to-anaphase transition) until spindle breakdown (Caydasi *et al.*, 2010b; Straight *et al*, 1997). Dot plots were prepared in GraphPad Prism 8.0.1(GraphPad, La Jolla, CA).

Localization based fluorescence image quantifications

For signal intensity quantification of Bfa1-GFP, Bub2-GFP and Tem1-GFP, we took still images of live cells bearing *SPC42*-eqFP and mCherry-*TUB1* as a mitotic marker. Each still image consisted of 13 z-stacks of 0.3 μm thickness. Z-stacks of the images were sum-projected, and mean fluorescence intensities were measured using Image J (NIH) software and corrected as described (Caydasi *et al.*, 2012). Briefly, a 0.577 μm^2 (42 pixels) box was selected around the spindle pole body under inspection (ROI, region of interest) and the mean fluorescence intensity of the GFP signal was measured. Background fluorescence intensity was determined by measuring an area inside the cytoplasm of respective cell, near to the region of interest. The correction was done by subtracting the mean fluorescence intensity of the background from the mean fluorescence intensity of the ROI.

To detect the behavior of asymmetric localization of Bfa1 at SPBs, ratio of the corrected signal intensities (as described above) at the SPBs were calculated. For cells with normally aligned spindles, the signal intensity at the dSPB was divided to the signal intensity at the mSPB. For cells with misaligned spindles, the SPB with the greater signal was considered as dSPB.

Statistical results and graphs were computed and plotted by using Prism 8.0.1 (GraphPad, La Jolla, CA). Two-tailed t-test were applied to compare the statistical significance of the signal intensity measurements in a pair-wise manner. Chi-square test were applied for comparison of Bud14-GFP cortex localization.

Yeast Two Hybrid Assay

Yeast Two Hybrid analysis was performed as described (Meitinger *et al*, 2014). Briefly, indicated genes cloned into pMM5 (LexA-myc fusion, *HIS* autotrophy marker) and pMM6 (Gal4-HA fusion, *LEU2* autotrophy marker) were transformed into the yeast strain SGY37 that

contains a chromosomally integrated LexA(op)-LacZ reporter for activation of the ß-galactosidase gene. Transformants were selected on SC-His-Leu agar plates, grown in SC-His-Leu media until stationary phase, diluted to 1 OD_{600} and 10 µl of each were spotted on SC-His-Leu agar plates. Cells were grown for~ 48 hours and plates were overlaid with 0.4% soft-agar solution containing 0.4 mg/ml X-Gal, 0.1% SDS, 10 mM KCl and 1 mM $MgCl_2$. Blue color formation was monitored.

Protein Methods

Total yeast protein precipitation, sample preparation, and Western blotting following Laemmli SDS-PAGE were performed as previously described (Meitinger *et al*, 2016). Total cell native protein extracts were prepared by lysis of cells using acid washed glass beads (Sigma) in a cooling bead beater homogenizer (Analytik Jena, SpeedMill Plus). Primary antibodies were Mouse-anti-HA (Gift from Gislene Pereira), Rabbit anti-Clb2 (Gift from Gislene Pereira), Rabbit-anti-Tubulin (Abcam EPR13799) Rabbit anti-TAP (Thermofisher scientific CAB1001). Secondary antibodies were Goat-anti-rabbit (Advansta #R-05062-500) or Goat-anti-mouse (Advansta #R-05071-500) horse radish peroxidase (HRP) conjugated secondary antibodies.

Phosphatase Assay

Glc7-TAP and Bud14-TAP were enriched on IgG Sepharose beads (GE Healthcare BioScience) according to manufacturer's recommendations. In addition, ESM356-1 (a strain without TAP tag) was used as a no-tag control. Briefly, cell pellets of logarithmically growing cultures were lysed using acid washed glass beads (Sigma) and a cooling bead beater homogenizer (Analytik Jena, SpeedMill Plus) in a lysis buffer containing 50mM Hepes pH:7.5, 150mM NaCl, 1mM EDTA , %1 SDS, 1mM DTT, 2mM PMSF and complete Protease Inhibitor Coctail (Roche). The lysate was cleared by centrifugation at 10000 rpm at + 4 ºC and the supernatant was incubated with IgG beads for 2 h at 4 ºC. Beads were washed with ice cold wash buffer containing 50mM Hepes pH: 7.5, 150mM NaCl, 0.1mM EDTA, %0.1 SDS, %0.025 Tween 20, 1mM DTT and were immediately used for the phosphatase reaction as a phosphatase source.

Bfa1-3HA was purified from *BFA1-3HA kin4Δ Gal1 -UPL-TEM1* cells arrested in anaphase. For this, log-phase culture grown in Raffinose/Galactose containing rich medium were transferred into YPAD medium. After >90% of the cell arrest was achieved, cell pellets were

lysed using acid washed glass beads in bead beater. Lysis buffer composition was: 50mM Hepes pH:7.5, 150mM NaCl, 5% Glycerol, 1mM EDTA, 1% NP-40, 160mM β-Glycerophosphate, 2mM NaVO$_3$, 100mM NaF, 2mM PMSF, 4mM Benzamidine and complete Protease Inhibitor Coctail (Roche). After clearing the cell lysate by centrifugation at 10000 rpm at + 4 ^{o}C, the cell extract was incubated with anti-HA magnetic beads (Thermofisher, Pierce^{TM}) for 2 h at 4 ^{o}C. After the incubation the beads were washed in 50mM Hepes pH: 7.5, 150mM NaCl, %1 NP-40, %5 Glycerol, 1mM EDTA and eluted from beads under basic elution conditions according to manufacturer's protocol. Briefly, beads were incubated with 50mM NaOH for 5 minutes and the eluate was immediately neutralized by 300mM Tris pH:8.5. Next, the eluate was applied on PD MiniTrap G-25 Sephadex (GE Healthcare) columns equilibrated with a buffer containing 50mM Hepes pH: 7.5, 100mM NaCl. Buffer exchange was performed according to manufacturer's spin protocol.

In vitro phosphatase reaction was performed using the IgG-beads that contained Bud14-TAP or Glc7-TAP or the IgG-beads that was incubated with the cell extract of the ESM356-1 control. Bfa1-3HA that was prepared as explained above was added as the substrate. Phosphatase reaction buffer composition was 100mM NaCl, 50mM Hepes pH: 7.5, 2mM DTT, %0.025 Tween, 2mM MnCl$_2$. Okadaic acid (Abcam) was also added to the indicated reactions to 2nM or 1.5 µM final concentrations to inhibit PP2 or both PP1 and PP2 respectively. After reaction was incubated at 30 ^{o}C for 1h, 5x sample buffer was added immediately into the reaction tubes, samples were boiled at 95 ^{o}C for 5 min and analyzed by western blotting.

For analysis of the effect of Glc7 activity on Bfa1-3HA mobility on SDS-PAGE, *BFA1-3HA kin4Δ Gal1 -UPL-TEM1* cells arrested in anaphase were lysed using acid washed glass beads in bead beater. Lysis buffer composition was: 50mM Hepes pH:7.5, 150mM NaCl, 5% Glycerol, 1mM EDTA, 1% NP-40, 2mM PMSF, 4mM Benzamidine and complete Protease Inhibitor Coctail (Roche). Okadaic acid was also added to the lysis buffer in indicated tubes to 2nM or 1.5 µM final concentrations to inhibit PP2 or both PP1 and PP2 respectively. Then the cell lysate was cleared by centrifugation at 10000 rpm at + 4 ^{o}C, 5X sample buffer was added to the extracts, boiled at 95 ^{o}C for 5 min and analyzed by western blotting

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Conflict of Interest

The authors declare that they have no conflict of interest.

Figure Legends

Figure 1. Bud14 deletion rescues growth of cells with impaired mitotic exit. A. *bud14Δ* cells rescue the synthetic lethality of *lte1Δ spo12Δ* cells. **B.** *bud14Δ* cells rescue the lethality of *lte1Δ* cells at 18 °C. **C.** *bud14Δ* rescues lethality of MEN-ts mutants. Serial dilutions of indicated strains were spotted on indicated plates and grown at given temperatures. 5-FOA plates negatively selects for the *URA3*-based plasmids (pRS316 containing the *LTE1* in A and B, pRS316 containing the wild type gene copy of the corresponding MEN mutant in C). Thus, only cells that have lost these plasmids can grow on 5-FOA plates where genetic interactions can be observed.

Figure 2. *bud14Δ* cells are SPOC deficient. A-B. End-point analysis of SPOC integrity of indicated yeast strains in *kar9Δ* (A) and *dyn1Δ* (B) background. Cells were fixed with ethanol and stained with DAPI. Cells with normally aligned nuclei (white columns), mispositioned nuclei (grey columns) and multi nucleated cells that failed to correctly position their spindle before mitotic exit (black columns) were counted by microscopy and their percentages were plotted. Graphs are average of three independent experiments. A minimum of 100 cells were counted from each strain in each experiment. Error bars show standard deviation. **C.** Single cell analysis of SPOC integrity in indicated strains. Duration of anaphase in cells with misaligned and normally aligned spindles were calculated as explained in the text and plotted as dot-plots. Cartoon on the right illustrates how anaphase duration was calculated. Data points in red indicate the cells in which the spindle did not break down during the time lapse movie. In this case, plotted values are the time duration during which these cells were observed in anaphase through the time lapse movie. Consequently, the actual anaphase duration is greater than the value plotted in red. This fact is emphasized in the red part of the y-axis, indicated above the red dashed line, with addition of the ">" symbol before the y-axis values. Green dash line indicates the mean value of the anaphase duration in cells with normally aligned spindles. P values calculated using students' t-test are indicated on the dot plot. n: sample size.

Figure 3. Glc7-Bud14 interaction and SH3 domain plays a role in mitotic exit inhibitory role of Bud14. A. Serial dilutions of indicated strains bearing *URA3-based* empty plasmid (not indicated on figure) or *BUD14*-containing *URA3*-based plasmids (*BUD14* and *bud14-F379A*) were spotted on indicated plates and grown at indicated temperatures **B.** Serial dilutions of indicated strains bearing *LTE1* on *URA3*-based pRS316 plasmid were spotted on 5-FOA and SC plates and grown at indicated temperatures. 5-FOA negatively selects for *URA3* containing

plasmids, thus cells lose their pRS316-*LTE1* plasmids on 5-FOA plates and genetic interactions can be observed on this plate. **C-E.** End-point analysis of SPOC integrity of indicated strains. Cells were fixed with ethanol and stained with DAPI. Cells with normally positioned nuclei (white columns), mispositioned nuclei (grey columns) and multi nucleated cells that failed to correctly position their spindle before mitotic exit (black columns) were counted by microscopy and their percentages were plotted. Graphs are average of three independent experiments. A minimum of 100 cells were counted from each strain in each experiment. Error bars show standard deviation. **F.** Serial dilutions of indicated strains with *URA3-based* empty plasmid (not indicated on figure) or with *BUD14-* containing *URA3-based* plasmids (*BUD14, bud14-SH3* or *bud14-5A*) were spotted on SC-URA and grown at indicated temperatures. **G.** SPOC integrity assay of indicated strains, performed as in C-E. **H-I.** Colony growth assays performed as in B.

Figure 4. Bud14 interacts with Bfa1 in yeast two hybrid system. A-B. SGY37 with or without *KIN4* or *BUB2* was co-transformed with pMM6 (contains Gal4 Activation Domain) and pMM5 (contains LexA DNA Binding Domain) bearing indicated genes. Empty plasmids served as a control for any self-activation. Kel1 served as a positive control. 10μl of 1 OD cell culture dropped on selective agar plates were grown for two days before overlay. Blue color formation was monitored as an indication of protein-protein interaction. B. Same as in A

Figure 5. More Bfa1 localizes to SPBs in the absence of *BUD14*. A. Bfa1-GFP signal intensity quantifications at the SPBs of *BFA1-GFP mCherry-TUB1* or *BFA1-GFP mCherry-TUB1 bud14Δ* cells with normal aligned anaphase spindles were plotted on the right. Black and grey lines in the dot plots are the mean value and standard deviation respectively. Representative still images of cells were shown on the left. **B.** Bfa1-GFP signal intensities at the dSPB were plotted in *BUD14* and *bud14Δ* cells bearing empty plasmid (blue and red), as well as *bud14Δ* cells bearing a *BUD14* containing plasmid (green). **C.** Analysis of Bfa1-GFP asymmetry at the SPBs of *kar9Δ*, *kar9Δ kin4Δ* and *kar9Δ bud14Δ* cells with correctly aligned and misaligned anaphase spindles. Box and Whisker plot shows the ratio of Bfa1-GFP signal intensities at the SPB1 and SPB2, where SPB1 always corresponds to SPB with the greater Bfa1-GFP signal. The box represents first and third quartile while the whiskers show 10-90 percentile of the data. The horizontal line in the box indicate the median of the data. Representative still images of cells are shown on the right. Pairwise comparisons of intensities

among indicated strains were assessed using Students' t-test. p-values were shown on the graph. n: sample size. Scale bar: 2 μm.

Figure 6. Glc7-Bud14 promotes Bfa1 dephosphorylation in anaphase. A-B. Bfa1-3HA Gal1-UPL-Tem1 containing strains were released from alpha factor imposed G1 arrest (t=0) into an alpha factor free medium supplemented with glucose to achieve Tem1 depletion and samples were collected at indicated time points. Cell cycle progression was monitored by budding index and DAPI plots by microscopy (B) as well as Clb2 levels by western blotting (A). Bfa1-3HA mobility shift was analyzed via western blotting (A). A lower and a higher exposed film was shown for better visualization of the up and down shifted Bfa1-3HA protein ratios. Arrows indicate hyperphosphorylated forms of Bfa1-3HA (A). Protein samples of each strain at 75, 90 and 120 minutes were also loaded side-by-side for better comparison of Bfa1 mobility (A). **C.** Cell lysates of *BFA1-3HA* Gal1-UPL-TEM1 *kin4Δ* cells were prepared in the absence of phosphatase inhibitors or in the presence of indicated concentrations of okadaic acid. Bfa1-3HA mobility shift was detected using anti-HA antibodies. Ponceau S serves as loading control. **D.** In vitro phosphatase assay of immunoprecipitated Glc7-TAP or Bud14-TAP incubated with Bfa1-3HA purified from *BFA1-3HA* Gal1-UPL-TEM1 *kin4Δ* cells in the presence or absence of indicated concentrations of okadaic acid. Glc7-TAP and Bud14-TAP levels were detected using anti-TAP antibodies. Bfa1-3HA was detected using anti-HA antibodies. Green and red arrows indicate slow migrating and fast migrating forms of Bfa1-3HA respectively.

Figure 7. Localization of Bud14 in cells with normal and misaligned anaphase spindles. A. Percentage of anaphase cells with Bud14-GFP cortex enrichment at the bud cortex of *kar9Δ* cells with correctly and incorrectly positioned anaphase spindles. *mCherry-TUB1* was used as a spindle marker. Chi-square test was performed for pairwise comparison of percentage of cells with Bud14-GFP cortex enrichment (p<0.0001). Representative still images for cells with or without Bud14-GFP cortex enrichment were shown on the left. Scale bar: 2μm. **B.** Selected frames from time-lapse series of *BUD14-GFP mCherry-TUB1* cells. Two cells, one of which has a normally aligned spindle (outlined with orange dashed line) and the other has a misaligned anaphase spindle (outlined with yellow dashed line) are shown. Asterisk indicate the time of anaphase entry for both cells. Arrow indicates spindle breakage in the cell with correctly positioned spindle.

Figure 8. **Model for SPOC activation.** In cells with a correctly positioned anaphase spindle (cartoon on the left), Bfa1 binds stably to the SPB that migrates to the daughter cell (dSPB) and disappears from the SPB that stays in the mother (mSPB). Cdc5 localized to the outer plaque of the SPBs in anaphase (Botchkarev *et al*, 2017) has access to Bfa1 in the dSPB, phosphorylates Bfa1 therein, and inactivates the GAP activity of the Bfa1-Bub2 complex (black line). Bfa1-Bub2 at dSPB recruits more Tem1 to the dSPB and MEN is activated. In cells with a mispositioned anaphase spindles, Bfa1-SPB binding becomes more dynamic (red dashed line). Kin4 localizes to both spindle poles, phosphorylates Bfa1 (orange line), and Kin4 phosphorylated Bfa1 is rapidly released from the dSPB (red dashed line) together with Bub2. Also in the absence of Kin4, Bfa1-Bub2 starts dissociating from SPBs upon spindle mispositioning but at a very slow rate (Caydasi & Pereira, 2009). Bfa1 released from the SPB into the cytoplasm can be dephosphorylated by the Glc7/Bud14, thus restoring Bfa1-Bub2 GAP activity and also by preventing association of Bfa1 with the SPBs.

Supplementary Figure Legends

Figure S1. Bud14 does not influence Kin4 function. A. Serial dilutions of indicated strains were spotted on Glucose containing (YPD) and Galactose containing (YP Raf/Gal) agar plates. Gal1-Kin4 overexpression is induced on Galactose containing plates **B.** Logarithmic growing cultures bearing Kin4-GFP and Spc42-eqFP were treated with nocodazole for 2 hours and Kin4 SPB and cortex localization was analyzed by microscopy. rts1Δ cells were used as a control in which Kin4 fails to localize to SPBs and cortex. Graph is an average of three independent experiments. Error bars are standard deviation. At least 100 cells were counted from each sample in each experiment. **C.** Logarithmic growing Kin4-6HA cultures bearing the indicated gene deletions were treated with nocodazole for 3 hours to obtain >90% cell population arrested in metaphase with a single DAPI staining and large buds. Kin4 mobility shift was analyzed by western blotting using ant-HA antibodies. *rts1Δ* served as a control for hyperphosphorylated Kin4.

Figure S2. Bfa1, Bub2 and Tem1 localization in *bud14Δ* cells during anaphase and metaphase. A-B. Bub2-GFP and Tem1-GFP signal intensity quantifications at the SPBs of *BFA1-GFP mCherry-TUB1* or *BFA1-GFP mCherry-TUB1 bud14Δ* cells with normal aligned anaphase spindles were plotted in B. Black and grey lines in the dot plots are the mean value and standard deviation respectively. Representative still images of cells were shown in A. **C.** Bfa1-GFP, Bub2-GFP and Tem1-GFP signal intensities at the SPBs of cells with metaphase spindles (spindle length = 1,5-2 μm). Graph is plotted as described in B. **D.** Analysis of Bfa1-GFP signal intensities at the SPBs of *kar9Δ*, *kar9Δ kin4Δ* and *kar9Δ bud14Δ* cells with correctly aligned and misaligned anaphase spindles. The graph was plotted as in B. Pairwise comparisons of intensities among indicated strains were assessed using Students' t-test. p-values were shown on the graph. n: sample size. Scale bar: 2 μm.

Figure S3. Bfa1-GFP localization during spindle misalignment. Selected frames from time-lapse series of *BFA1-GFP SPC42-eqFP mCherry-TUB1* bearing *kar9Δ* (A), *kar9Δ bud14Δ* (B) and *kar9Δ kin4Δ* (C) gene deletions. Cell boundaries are outlined with a dashed line. Blue arrows indicate the SPBs. Time points from the beginning of the time lapse is indicated on the frames. Scale bar: 2 μm.

Figure S4. Logarithmic growing cultures of *KIN4-GFP SPC42-eqFP mCherry-TUB1* bearing cells with indicated gene deletions were imaged live. Kin4 localization at the cortex and SPBs

were analyzed in anaphase cells (spindle length >5). Images of representative cells and one representative graph out of 3 experiments was shown. A minimum of 100 cells were counted from each sample.

Tables

Table 1. Yeast strains used in this study.

Strain Name	Description	Reference
ESM356	*MATa ura3-52 leu2Δ1 his3Δ200 trp1Δ63*	(Pereira & Schiebel, 2001)
YPH499	*MATa ura3-52 lys2-801 ade2-101 trp1Δ63 his3Δ200 leu2Δ1*	(Sikorski & Hieter, 1989)
SGY37-VIII,3	*MATa leu2 his3 trp1 ADE2 ura3-52::URA3-lexA-op-LacZ*	(Geissler et al, 1996)
GPY491	*YPH499 cdc14-2 pRS316- CDC14*	(Caydasi et al., 2017)
ESM2285	*YPH499 mob1-67 pRS316-MOB1*	(Caydasi et al., 2017)
JOY79	*YPH499 cdc5-10 pRS316-CDC5*	(Caydasi et al., 2017)
ESM2283	*YPH499 dbf2-2 pRS316-DBF2*	(Caydasi et al., 2017)
ESM2282	*YPH499 cdc15-1 pRS316-CDC15*	(Caydasi et al., 2017)
FAY145	*MATa ura3-52 his3Δ200 leu2Δ1 lte1Δ::kanMX6 pRS316-LTE1*	(Bertazzi et al., 2011)
AKY2526	*FAY145 lte1Δ::kanMX6 pRS316-LTE1 spo12Δ::natNT2*	(Caydasi et al., 2017)
AKY2916	*FAY145 lte1Δ::kanMX6 pRS316-LTE1 spo12Δ::natNT2 bud14Δ::HIS3MX6*	This study
DKY069	*FAY145 lte1Δ::kanMX6 pRS316-LTE1 bud14Δ::HIS3MX6*	This study
DKY057	*YPH499 cdc14-2 pRS316-CDC14 bud14Δ::klTRP3*	This study
DKY058	*YPH499 mob1-67 pRS316-MOB1 bud14Δ::klTRP3*	This study
DKY060	*YPH499 dbf2-2 pRS316-DBF2 bud14Δ::klTRP3*	This study
DKY061	*YPH499 cdc15-1 pRS316-CDC15 bud14Δ::klTRP3*	This study
AKY260	*ESM356 kar9Δ::HIS3MX6 pRS316-KAR9*	(Caydasi et al., 2017)
AKY315	*ESM356 kar9Δ::HIS3MX6 pRS316-KAR9 bfa1Δ::klTRP1*	(Caydasi et al., 2017)
AKY321	*ESM356 kar9Δ::HIS3MX6 pRS316-KAR9 kin4Δ::klTRP1*	(Caydasi et al., 2017)
AKY2917	*YPH499 GFP-Tub1-URA3 dyn1Δ::klTRP1 bud14Δ::HIS3MX6*	This study
AKY2918	*YPH499 GFP-Tub1-URA3 dyn1Δ::klTRP1 kin4Δ::hphNT1 bud14Δ::HIS3MX6*	This study
SHM562	*YPH499 GFP-Tub1-URA3 dyn1Δ::klTRP1*	(Pereira & Schiebel, 2005)
ESM2156	*YPH499 GFP-Tub1-URA3 dyn1Δ::klTRP1 kin4Δ::hphNT1*	(Pereira & Schiebel, 2005)
AKY346	*YPH499 kar9Δ::klTRP1 pRS316-KAR9 GFP-Tub1-ADE2*	(Caydasi et al., 2010b)
AKY351	*YPH499 kar9Δ::klTRP1 pRS316-KAR9 kin4Δ::HIS3MX6 GFP-Tub1-ADE2*	(Caydasi et al., 2010b)
SEY032	*YPH499 kar9Δ::klTRP1 pRS316-KAR9 GFP-Tub1-ADE2 bud14Δ::HIS3MX6*	This study
AKY4068	*YPH499 kar9Δ::klTRP1 pRS316-KAR9 GFP-Tub1-ADE2 bud14Δ::HIS3MX6 kin4Δ::hphNT1*	This study
DKY131	*FAY145 lte1Δ::kanMX6 pRS316-LTE1 bud14Δ::HIS3MX6 GFP BUD14 CEN URA*	This study

DKY132	*ESM356 bud14Δ::klTRP GFP BUD14 CEN URA*	This study
DKY135	*FAY145 lte1Δ::kanMX6 pRS316-LTE1 bud14Δ::HIS3MX6 pRS416-ADH-BUD14*	This study
DKY137	*FAY145 lte1Δ::kanMX6 pRS316-LTE1 bud14Δ::HIS3MX6 pRS416-ADH-BUD14 [F379A]*	This study
PAY704	*W303 MATa ade2-1 his3-11,15 leu2-3,112 ura3-1 can1-100 ssd1-d2 glc7::LEU2 trp1-1::GLC7::TRP1*	(Andrews & Stark, 2000)
PAY701	*W303 MATa ade2-1 his3-11,15 leu2-3,112 ura3-1 can1-100 ssd1-d2 glc7::LEU2 trp1-1::glc7-12::TRP1*	(Andrews & Stark, 2000)
DKY074	*PAY701 glc7::LEU2 trp1-1::glc7-12::TRP1 lte1Δ::HIS3MX6*	This study
DKY075	*PAY704 glc7::LEU2 trp1-1::GLC7::TRP1 lte1Δ::HIS3MX6*	This study
DKY078	*PAY704 glc7::LEU2 trp1-1::GLC7::TRP1 lte1Δ::HIS3MX6 pRS316-LTE1*	This study
DKY079	*PAY701 glc7::LEU2 trp1-1::glc7-12::TRP1 lte1Δ::HIS3MX6 pRS316-LTE1*	This study
DKY080	*PAY701 glc7::LEU2 trp1-1::glc7-12::TRP1 lte1Δ::HIS3MX6 pRS316-LTE1 spo12Δ::hphNT1*	This study
DKY145	*ESM356 kar9Δ::HIS3MX6 bud14Δ::klTRP1 pRS316*	This study
DKY147	*ESM356 kar9Δ::HIS3MX6 bud14Δ::klTRP1 pRS416-ADH-BUD14*	This study
DKY149	*ESM356 kar9Δ::HIS3MX6 bud14Δ::klTRP1 pRS416-ADH-BUD14 [F379A]*	This study
AKY1533	*ESM356 leu2::LEU2-pGal1-KIN4*	This study
AKY1574	*ESM356 leu2::LEU2-pGal1-KIN4 bub2Δ::hphNT1*	This study
AKY4001	*ESM356 leu2::LEU2-pGal1-KIN4 bud14Δ::klTRP1*	This study
GPY1033	*ESM356-1 KIN4-GFP-his3MX6 Spc42-eqFP-natNT2*	(Pereira & Schiebel, 2005)
DGY004	*ESM356 KIN4-GFP-HIS3MX6 Spc42-eqFP-natNT2 bud14Δ::klTRP1*	This study
DKY063	*ESM356 KIN4-GFP-HIS3MX6 Spc42-eqFP611-natNT2 bud14Δ::klTRP1*	This study
AKY404	*ESM356 KIN4-GFP-HIS3MX6 Spc42-eqFP-natNT2 rts1Δ::klTRP1*	(Caydasi *et al.*, 2010b)
ESM2326	*ESM356 KIN4-6HA-hphNT1*	(Caydasi *et al.*, 2010b)
AKY415	*ESM356 KIN4-6HA-hphNT1 rts1Δ::klTRP1*	(Caydasi *et al.*, 2010b)
DGY001	*ESM356 KIN4-6HA-hphNT1 bud14Δ::klTRP1*	This study
DKY118	*ESM356 GAL1-UPL-TEM1::kITRP1 BFA1-3HA-hphNT1 lte1Δ::natNT2*	This study
DKY125	*ESM356 GAL1-UPL-TEM1::kITRP1 BFA1-3HA-hphNT1 kin4Δ::natNT2 bud14Δ::HIS3MX6*	This study
DKY126	*ESM356 GAL1-UPL-TEM1::kITRP1 BFA1-3HA-hphNT1 lte1Δ::natNT2 bud14Δ::HIS3MX6*	This study
DKY167	*ESM356 KIN4-GFP-HIS3MX6 Spc42-eqFP-natNT2 bud14Δ::klTRP1 lte1Δ::hphNT1*	This study
AKY038	*ESM356 Bfa1-GFP-kanMX6 Spc42-eqFP- hphNT1 mCherry-Tub1-URA3*	This study
AKY4011	*ESM356 Bfa1-GFP-kanMX6 Spc42-eqFP-hphNT1 bud14Δ::klTRP1 mCherry-Tub1-URA3*	This study
AKY4007	*ESM356 Bub2-GFP-kanMX6 Spc42-eqFP-hphNT1 mCherry-Tub1-URA3*	This study

AKY4009	*ESM356 Bub2-GFP-kanMX6 Spc42-eqFP-hphNT1 bud14Δ::klTRP1 mCherry-Tub1-URA3*	This study
AKY4013	*ESM356 Tem1-GFP-kanMX6 Spc42-eqFP-hphNT1 mCherry-Tub1-URA3*	This study
AKY4008	*ESM356 Tem1-GFP-kanMX6 Spc42-eqFP-hphNT1 bud14Δ::HIS3MX6 mCherry-Tub1-URA3*	This study
HKY114	*ESM356 Bfa1-GFP-kanMX6 Spc42-eqFP-hphNT1 mCherry-Tub1-LEU2 pRS416*	This study
HKY115	*ESM356 Bfa1-GFP-kanMX6 Spc42-eqFP-hphNT1 bud14Δ::klTRP1 mCherry-Tub1-LEU2 pRS416*	This study
HKY116	*ESM356 Bfa1-GFP-kanMX6 Spc42-eqFP-hphNT1 bud14Δ::klTRP1 mCherry-Tub1-LEU2 pRS416-BUD14*	This study
AKY043	*ESM356 BFA1-GFP-kanMX6 Spc42-eqFP-hphNT1 kar9Δ::klTRP1 pRS316-KAR9*	(Caydasi & Pereira, 2009)
BKY032	*ESM356 BFA1-GFP-kanMX6 Spc42-eqFP hphNT1 kar9Δ::klTRP1 pRS316-KAR9 kin4Δ::HIS3MX6*	(Caydasi & Pereira, 2009)
DKY081	*ESM356 BFA1-GFP-kanMX6 Spc42-eqFP hphNT1 kar9Δ::klTRP1 pRS316-KAR9 bud14Δ::HIS3MX6*	This study
IKY075	*SGY37-VIII,3 kin4Δ::klTRP1*	This study
DKY113	*SGY37-VIII,3 bub2Δ::hphNT1*	This study
AKY4070	*ESM356-1 SPC42-EQFP611-KanMX6 bud14-GFP-hisMX6 mCherry-TUB1-URA3 kar9Δ::klTRP1*	This study
GYBY002	*YPH499 Δsst1::HisG. YAS7-1 BUD14-Tev-4ProA-KanMX6*	This study
GYBY004	*YPH499 Δsst1::HisG. YAS7-1 GLC7-Tev-4ProA-KanMX6*	This study

Table 2. Plasmids used in this study

Plasmid Name	Description	Reference
pRS316	*URA3-dependent CEN-based yeast-E.coli shuffle plasmid. AmpR.*	(Sikorski & Hieter, 1989)
pWS103-1	*pRS304-Gal1-UPL-TEM1*	(Shou et al., 1999)
pMK60	*pRS416-endogenous BUD14-promoter- GFP-BUD14*	(Knaus et al., 2005)
pMK125	*pRS416 ADH-BUD14*	(Knaus et al., 2005)
pMK131	*pRS416 ADH-BUD14^{F379A}*	(Knaus et al., 2005)
pSM903-4	*pRS316-LTE1*	(Hofken, 2002)
pGW399-1	*pRS316-KAR9*	(Hofken, 2002)
pDKY001	*pRS416-endogenous BUD14-promoter- GFP-BUD14$^{5A\ (135A\ 137A\ 138A\ 139A\ 140A)}$*	This Study
pDKY003	*pRS416-endogenous BUD14-promoter- GFP-BUD14$^{\Delta SH3(\ \Delta aa\ 262–318)}$*	This Study
pMM5	p423-Gal1-lexA-Myc	(Geissler *et al.*, 1996)
pMM6	p425-Gal1-Gal4-HA.	(Geissler *et al.*, 1996)
pHA69-1	*pMM5-BUD14*	Gift from G. Pereira

pHA132-2	*pMM6-KIN4*	Gift from G. Pereira
pCL2-1	*pMM6-BUB2*	(Hofken & Schiebel, 2004)
pHA70-1	*pMM6-BUD14*	Gift from G. Pereira
pCL4a-3	*pMM6-BFA1*	(Hofken & Schiebel, 2004)
pTH221	*pMM6-KEL*	(Hofken & Schiebel, 2004)
pAFS125	*GFP-TUB1-URA3* containing integration plasmid.	(Straight *et al.*, 1997)
pBK067-1	pRS305ΔKpnI-mCherry-*TUB1*.	(Caydasi *et al.*, 2014)
pGW399	pRS316-*KAR9*	(Caydasi *et al.*, 2010b)

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BUD14-GFP mCherry-TUB1 kar9Δ

GFP   MERGE   GFP   MERGE

Cortex
enriched

Not
Cortex
enriched

Normal aligned   Misaligned

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% Cells with Bud14 at the bud cortex

3-5   5-6   >6   3-5   5-6
Spindle length

■ Normal aligned   ■ Misaligned

B   BUD14-GFP mCherry-TUB1 kar9Δ

BUD14-GFP

0   6   9   15   21   24   27   30

MERGE

0   6   9   15   21   24   27   30

Figure 8

Cdc5

daughter

Glc7-Bud14

Bfa1-Bub2

Nuclear envelope

Kin4

mother

Normal aligned spindle

Misaligned spindle