AMP-activated protein kinase and adenylate kinase prevent ATP catastrophe and cytotoxic

protein aggregation

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ABSTRACT

ATP is the major source of chemical energy in all life and maintained at several millimolar in eukaryotic cells. However, the underlying mechanism and physiological relevance of such high and stable concentrations of ATP remain unclear. Here we show that AMP-activated protein kinase (AMPK) and adenylate kinase (ADK) cooperate to maintain cellular ATP level regardless of glucose concentrations. Single cell imaging of ATP revealed that ATP concentrations in these mutants underwent stochastic and transient depletion of ATP repeatedly, inducing formation of cytotoxic aggregation of endogenous proteins and pathogenic proteins such as huntingtin and α-synuclein. Moreover, pharmacological elevation of ATP level in an ATP-reduced mutant prevented accumulation of α-synuclein aggregation and its cytotoxicity. Removal of the cytotoxic aggregates depends on proteasome, and proteasomal activity cooperates with AMPK or ADK to resist proteotoxic stresses. Our findings provided the first evidence that cellular ATP homeostasis ensures proteostasis and revealed that stochastic fluctuation of cellular ATP concentration could contribute for cytotoxic protein aggregation, implying that AMPK and ADK are important factors that prevent proteinopathy such as neurodegenerative diseases.

INTRODUCTION

Adenosine triphosphate (ATP) is a major energy currency used in all living organism. Due to its high demand, the turnover rate of ATP is estimated to be less than a minute in yeast and metazoans (Mortensen, Thaning et al., 2011, Takaine, Ueno et al., 2019). In addition to its role as energy currency, recent studies suggest ATP can influence the balance between soluble and aggregated states of proteins, suggesting proteostasis is maintained by energy dependent chaperones and by ATP's property as a hydrotrope to solubilize proteins (Hayes, Peuchen et al., 2018, Patel, Malinovska et al., 2017). Recent proteomics analysis has demonstrated that many cellular proteins are insoluble at submillimolar ATP concentration and become soluble at > 2 mM ATP concentrations (Sridharan, Kurzawa et al., 2019), although it is not known if the ATP-dependent protein solubilization/desolubilization has any significant roles in cell physiology.

Recently, we have established a reliable imaging technique to quantify intracellular ATP concentrations in single living yeast cells, using a genetically encoded fluorescent ATP biosensor QUEEN (Yaginuma, Kawai et al., 2014), enabling the evaluation of ATP homeostasis of individual cells for a long time period (Takaine et al., 2019). We have demonstrated that there is a little variation in intracellular ATP concentrations within a yeast population grown in the same culture (Takaine et al., 2019), contrasting with a large variation of intracellular ATP concentrations within a bacterial cell population (Yaginuma et al., 2014). Moreover, intracellular ATP concentrations in individual living yeast cells were stably and robustly maintained at around 4 mM, irrespective of carbon sources and cell cycle stages, and the temporal fluctuation of intracellular ATP concentration was quite small (Takaine et al., 2019). Based on the above observations, we hypothesized that there must exist an exceptionally robust mechanism to precisely regulate ATP concentrations in eukaryotes. We also wondered why ATP is stably maintained at high concentration far above the K_m (Michaelis constant) required for enzymatic activity of almost all the ATPases (Edelman, Blumenthal et al., 1987) and what consequence is associated with failure in ATP homeostasis in living organism.

The most promising candidate regulator for the ATP homeostasis is AMP-activated protein kinase (AMPK). AMPK, which is known to be activated by AMP and inhibited by ATP (Xiao, Heath et al., 2007), has been asserted for long periods of time as an important regulator for whole-body and cellular energy status in eukaryotes (Hardie, Schaffer et al., 2016). With increase in AMP: ATP or ADP: ATP ratio (*i.e.,* low-energy state), AMPK is activated and regulates its downstream effectors by phosphorylation to redirect the cell metabolism from

anabolic (ATP-consuming) state to catabolic (ATP-producing) state (Herzig & Shaw, 2017). In

the budding yeast *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*, the sucrose non-fermenting 1 (Snf1) protein

kinase complex corresponds to the sole AMPK. Like other AMPKs, yeast Snf1 complex

comprises three subunits: the catalytic α subunit (*SNF1*), the scaffolding β subunit (*SIP1*,

SIP2 or *GAL83*) and the regulatory γ subunit (*SNF4*) (Ghillebert, Swinnen et al., 2011). The

Snf1 complex has been well characterized for its role in adaptation to glucose limitation

(Hedbacker & Carlson, 2008). In the presence of sufficient glucose in the medium, the Snf1

complex is inactive (Wilson, Hawley et al., 1996). When glucose concentration decreases, the

Snf1 complex is activated and phosphorylates the transcriptional repressor Mig1, which then

triggers transcription of numerous glucose-repressed genes (Carlson, 1999). However,

contribution of AMPK or the Snf1 complex for cellular ATP level remains unknown.

Other possible candidate regulators for the ATP homeostasis include genes whose mutation

leads to decrease in cellular content of ATP. Few yeast mutants, however, are known to have

reduced ATP from biochemical analyses of the cell populations (Gauthier, Coulpier et al., 2008,

Ljungdahl & Daignan-Fornier, 2012). Adenylate kinase (ADK) is a key enzyme that

synthesizes ATP and AMP using two ADP molecules as substrates and null-mutant of ADK

(*adk1Δ*) has reduced cellular ATP concentration (~70% of wild-type) (Gauthier et al., 2008).

Bas1 is a transcription factor required for *de novo* purine synthesis and *bas1Δ* has also reduced

ATP concentration (~50% of wild-type) (Gauthier et al., 2008). However, the regulation of ATP

concentration and the physiological consequence of reduced ATP level in these mutants remain

unaddressed, especially at single cell level.

In this study, we investigated the roles of the AMPK, ADK and Bas1 in ATP homeostasis using

the QUEEN-based single cell ATP imaging technique. We demonstrated for the first time that AMPK

is involved in regulation of intracellular ATP concentration even under glucose-rich conditions.

In addition, time-lapse ATP imaging revealed that cells lacking both AMPK and ADK

frequently underwent transient ATP depletion and those lacking Bas1 showed oscillation of

ATP concentrations. Such ATP dynamics in the mutants have been overlooked in the previous

biochemical studies. Interestingly, we found that some intrinsic proteins and aggregation-prone

model proteins including α-synuclein, which is responsible for Parkinson's disease, aggregate

and cause cytotoxicity in the all ATP-reduced mutants tested. Our findings suggest that stable

maintenance of ATP is essential for proteostasis and imply that ATP crisis deteriorates

proteinopathy such as neurodegenerative diseases.

RESULTS

AMPK is involved in maintenance of cellular ATP level

We have recently developed a reliable monitoring system for cytoplasmic ATP concentration in living yeast cells using an ATP biosensor QUEEN (Takaine et al., 2019). Taking advantage of this system, we conducted closer examination of ATP dynamics in wild-type and mutant yeast cells in this study. First, we tested whether deletion of *SNF1*, which encodes a catalytic subunit of AMPK, would affect cellular ATP concentration. In *SNF1*-null mutant (*snf1Δ*) cells, cellular ATP levels were significantly decreased compared to wild-type cells in all glucose concentrations tested (2%, 0.2%, 0.05%) (Fig 1A-B). It is of note that even under high-glucose conditions (2% glucose), where the Snf1 complex has been thought to be inactive, *snf1Δ* cells showed significantly reduced ATP levels. Moreover, deletion of each gene encoding β subunit of AMPK (*SIP1*, *SIP2* or *GAL83*) reduced cellular ATP level to a similar extent as deletion of *SNF1*, suggesting that three subtypes of the Snf1 complex are involved in maintaining ATP concentrations (Fig. 1C). On the other hand, deletion of *MIG1*, which encodes a major downstream target of the Snf1 complex in glucose repression, has little effect on ATP level (Fig. 1D), suggesting that unknown factors other than Mig1 primarily regulate ATP level under the control of the Snf1 complex. Taken together, these results demonstrate that AMPK/SNF1 affect cellular ATP concentrations even under glucose-rich conditions for the first time.

Adenylate kinase ADK1 cooperates with AMPK to regulate ATP homeostasis

Adenylate kinase catalyzes the interconversion of adenine nucleotides (ATP+AMP $\longleftrightarrow$ 2ADP), which is important for *de novo* adenine nucleotide synthesis and for the balance of ATP, ADP and AMP. Indeed, previous biochemical studies reported that deletion of adenylate kinase gene reduced ATP concentrations in mouse skeletal muscle cells and budding yeasts (Gauthier et al., 2008, Janssen, Dzeja et al., 2000). We confirmed the results by using ATP imaging method: *adk1Δ* cells showed significantly lower QUEEN ratios compared to wild-type cells on average in the presence of sufficient carbon sources (Fig. S1).

In addition to being a key enzyme in purine metabolism, adenylate kinase also has been supposed to cooperate with AMPK to monitor cellular energy state (Hardie, Carling et al., 1998). We therefore compared ATP levels in *snf1Δ adk1Δ* double mutant cells with those in *snf1Δ*, *adk1Δ* and wild-type cells (Fig. 2A-B). The data were represented by a dot plot that can demonstrate the distribution characteristics in extensive details. *snf1Δ adk1Δ* cells showed a significant reduction in the average ATP level than the single mutant cells. Interestingly, we found not only a general reduction, but also a huge variation in the ATP level in *snf1Δ, adk1Δ,*

snf1Δ adk1Δ cell population as indicated by large value of coefficient of variance (CV) (Fig.

2B). Furthermore, there are some cells with extremely low ATP level in *snf1Δ adk1Δ* (Fig.

2A-B). These results suggest that both Adk1 and the Snf1 complex are synergistically

contributing for ATP homeostasis.

A large pool of adenine nucleotide is important for maintenance of cellular ATP

concentration

We also analysed a *bas1Δ* mutant, which is defective in expression of genes responsible for

adenine biogenesis (Daignan-Fornier & Fink, 1992, Denis, Boucherie et al., 1998). Consistent

with the previous biochemical data (Gauthier et al., 2008), ATP level quantified by QUEEN

was reduced by ~50 % in the *bas1Δ* cells (Fig. 2C-D). We found not only a general reduction,

but also a huge variation in the ATP level in *bas1Δ* cell population as indicated by large value of

CV (Fig. 2D). The reduction of ATP was indeed due to the reduced adenine biosynthesis

because feeding extra adenine in the media partially restored the ATP level (Fig. 2D). These

results suggest that sufficient production of adenine nucleotide is essential for stable

maintenance of ATP level. Moreover, the role of Bas1 in the ATP maintenance seemed to be

epistatic to that of Snf1 because *bas1Δ snf1Δ* double mutant cells showed a similar distribution

of ATP level as *bas1Δ* cells (Fig. S2).

ATP levels temporally fluctuate in the ATP mutant cells

To further explore the nature of large variation of ATP concentration in *snf1Δ adk1Δ* cells, we

employed time-lapse ATP imaging (Fig. 3). We observed that the QUEEN ratio often undergoes

a rapid decline followed by recovery in *snf1Δ adk1Δ* cells (see 116 min and 132 min in Fig. 3A

and C and movie S1, and 180 min and 356 min in Fig. 3B and D and movie S2). The sudden

drop in ATP concentration (hereafter called "ATP catastrophe") occurred within a few minutes

without any sign and was rarely observed in wild-type cells (Takaine et al., 2019). The ATP

catastrophe seemed to be a stochastic event and cell intrinsic: the events happened independent

of the cell cycle stages or cell size (compare Fig. 3C and D). In some occasion, the QUEEN

ratio did not recover after the ATP catastrophe and the cell died as judged by the loss of QUEEN

signals in the cell (Fig. S3). These observations suggest that the large variation of ATP

concentration in *snf1Δ adk1Δ* cells is not simply due to a mixed population with different basal

ATP levels, rather due to stochastic ATP catastrophe in individual cells.

Time-lapse imaging of *bas1Δ* revealed that there exists oscillatory cycles in the ATP

concentration (Figs. 3E and S4A, and movies S3 and S4): The ATP cycling in the *bas1Δ* was

slow (~35 min on average, Fig. S4B) and is distinguishable from that in the *snf1Δ adk1Δ*, but

the common characteristics of these mutants are that concentration of ATP reaches to near 0

mM repeatedly. ATP oscillation cycle was unsynchronized in the population and independent of

the cell cycle progression, suggesting that there exists unique metabolic rhythm intrinsic to

each cell. The oscillatory nature of ATP cycling in the *bas1Δ* mutant may involve

transcription/translation cycle and will be described elsewhere.

ATP homeostasis is required for preventing protein aggregation.

We have recently shown that cellular ATP concentration is stably maintained at ~4 mM in

budding yeast (Takaine et al., 2019) and demonstrated in this study that the Snf1/AMPK

complex, Adk1 and Bas1 are required for regulation of ATP homeostasis. However,

physiological importance of ATP homeostasis remains a question. To explore the significance

of high ATP concentration, we first examined global genetic interaction of *snf1Δ*, *adk1Δ*, and

bas1Δ using the CellMap ((Usaj, Tan et al., 2017), thecellmap.org). The *in silico* analysis

identified genes involved in "protein folding/glycosylation" as common negative genetic

interactors with *adk1Δ* and *bas1Δ* (Fig. 4A). Negative genetic interactors of *ura6*, a gene

encoding uridylate kinase that also has adenylate kinase activity, were also enriched in "protein

folding/glycosylation" category (Fig. 4A). We also found that interactors of *snf1* are implicated

in "protein folding/glycosylation". Interestingly, none of these mutants exhibit apparent genetic

interactions with genes in the "metabolism" category (Fig. 4A). The same analysis using

genetic and physical interactors provided similar results and showed many interactors were

enriched in "protein turnover" category (Fig. S5). These results imply that although these three

mutants regulate ATP in distinct mechanisms, all three have a common cellular function.

To examine possible defects in protein folding and turnover (*i.e.*, proteostasis), we challenged

these mutants with various proteotoxic stresses. We found little growth defects of ATP mutants

in a normal growth condition with 2% glucose at 30°C (control in Fig. 4B), suggesting that the

high concentration of ATP is not necessary for cellular growth. However, both *adk1* and *bas1*

mutants exhibited severe growth defects in high temperature at 40°C, 1 hour heat shock at 55°C,

0.5 μg/ml glycosylation inhibitor tunicamycin or 2 mM H_2O_2. *SNF1* deletion made the stress

sensitivity of *adk1Δ* further worse (Fig. 4B). The sensitivity to proteotoxic stress suggests that

ATP homeostasis mutants are defective in some aspects of proteostasis. We found that all four

mutants tested contained significantly increased number of Hsp104-GFP foci, a marker of

protein aggregation (Josefson, Andersson et al., 2017) (Fig. 4C-D). In contrast to Hsp104-GFP

foci, Pab1-GFP, a marker of stress granule (SG) assembly (Hoyle, Castelli et al., 2007) did not

form foci in the ATP mutants suggesting that protein aggregation and SG assembly are

regulated in a distinct manner (Fig. 4D). These analyses identify abnormal protein aggregation

as a common defect associated with ATP homeostasis mutants for the first time.

A transient depletion of ATP leads to formation of protein aggregation

To test if ATP depletion indeed triggers protein aggregation in living yeast, we artificially

depleted cellular ATP by replacing glucose with 2-deoxyglucose (2DG), a strong inhibitor of

glycolysis, in the media and monitored protein aggregation using Hsp104-GFP as a marker of

protein aggregation (Josefson et al., 2017) in the wild-type cell. We have previously shown that

ATP is almost completely depleted 2 minutes after 2DG treatment (Takaine et al., 2019). Within

15 min after 2DG treatment, more than 20% cells contained Hsp104-GFP foci indicative of

protein aggregation (Fig. 5A-B). Importantly, unlike ATP, whose concentration recovers to the

normal level within 1 min after glucose refeeding (Takaine et al., 2019), the dissolution kinetics

of Hsp104-GFP was significantly slower (up to hours Fig. 5A-B).

To further confirm if high concentration of ATP is required for protein solubility, we also

tested the Ubc9-ts protein, a model protein which is prone to aggregate (Kaganovich, Kopito et

al., 2008) and found that ATP depletion by 2DG treatment triggered the Ubc9-ts protein

aggregation (Fig. 5C). Thus, not only Hsp104-GFP positive intrinsic proteins but also extrinsic

model proteins aggregate after ATP depletion.

It is known that stress granules (SG) are assembled in budding yeast cells after stressful

conditions such as glucose depletion (Hoyle et al., 2007). In a sharp contrast to Hsp104-GFP

foci formation, ATP depletion after 2DG treatment did not instantly trigger the formation of SG

(Fig. S6). Consistent with the recent reports (Jain, Wheeler et al., 2016), our data suggest that

SG formation requires ATP. We also note that Hsp104-GFP foci and SG did not co-localize,

suggesting that these structures are derived from distinct mechanisms (Fig. S6). Thus, artificial

depletion of ATP can trigger abnormal protein aggregation in living yeast cells.

ATP homeostasis is required for protection of cells from cytotoxicity caused by protein

aggregation

Protein aggregation is often associated with neurodegenerative diseases such as Alzheimer's

diseases, Huntington's diseases and Parkinson's diseases (Eftekharzadeh, Hyman et al., 2016).

Mitochondrial failure has been also associated with many neurodegenerative diseases, but

whether energy failure causes protein aggregation remained elusive as mitochondria also

produce cytotoxic reactive oxygen species (ROS). (Bhat, Dar et al., 2015, Pathak, Berthet et al.,

2013). Abnormal aggregation of α-synuclein is known to be associated with Parkinson's

disease (Lashuel, Overk et al., 2013). To test if ATP is preventing formation of cytotoxic protein

aggregation, we examined the toxicity of α-synuclein-GFP (Syn-GFP) in budding yeast. As

previously shown, expression of Syn-GFP has little toxicity to wild-type yeast when expressed

under inducible *GAL1* promotor (Fig. 6A) (Outeiro & Lindquist, 2003, Sharma, Brandis et al.,

2006, Wijayanti, Watanabe et al., 2015). However, *snf1Δ, adk1Δ* and *bas1Δ* are hyper-sensitive

to the expression of Syn-GFP (Fig. 6A). We also found that *rpn4Δ*, which encodes a key

transcription factor for proteasomal subunits (Xie & Varshavsky, 2001), is very sensitive to the

Syn-GFP (Fig. 6A) consistent with the idea that Syn-GFP is degraded in ubiquitin-proteasomal

pathway in yeast (Tofaris, Kim et al., 2011, Wijayanti et al., 2015). Next we visualized the

cellular localization of Syn-GFP. As has been reported (Willingham, Outeiro et al., 2003),

Syn-GFP expressed in yeast is mainly localized to the plasma membrane (Fig. 6B-C). In

addition to the plasma membrane, we found Syn-GFP localized to punctated structures most

likely corresponding to protein aggregations (Fig.6B-C). Of note, the punctated structures are

not so obvious in *rpn4Δ* defective in proteasome, suggesting that the accumulation of Syn-GFP

puncta was not simply due to defective degradation.

To verify if high concentration of ATP protects cells from toxic protein aggregation, we

supplemented extra adenine to the medium (Fig. 6D). It has been shown that supplementing

300 μM adenine to the medium increases ATP concentration from 4 mM to 5.5 mM in

wild-type cell, 1 mM to 4 mM in *bas1Δ* cells (Gauthier et al., 2008) (similar results are shown

in Fig. 2D in this paper), and little or no change in *adk1Δ* from 2 mM to 2 mM (Gauthier et al.,

2008). Consistent with our hypothesis, addition of adenine reduced the Syn-GFP toxicity and

aggregation in *bas1Δ* but not *adk1Δ* (Fig. 6D). Thus, high concentration of ATP prevented

Syn-GFP aggregation and toxicity.

We also examined another model protein involved in neurodegenerative disease. PolyQ

containing Huntingtin protein tends to aggregate and is implicated in Huntington's disease

(Jiang, Poirier et al., 2005). We tested the toxicity of Htt103Q, a mutant form of huntingtin

protein which tends to aggregate and cause cytotoxicity in yeast (Meriin, Zhang et al., 2002).

Consistent with the idea that high concentration of ATP prevents protein aggregation, the ATP

homeostasis mutants *snf1Δ*, *adk1Δ*, *snf1Δ adk1Δ* and *bas1Δ* were very sensitive to Htt103Q

expression (Fig. S7).

Proteasome is essential for removal of protein aggregation caused by ATP depletion

Protein aggregation caused by ATP depletion was cytotoxic (Fig. 4B and Fig. 6A) and was not easily dissolved after ATP repletion (Fig. 5). To seek for a pathway essential for removal of the aggregates, we tested involvement of proteasome and autophagy.

Deletion of *RPN4*, which encodes a transcription factor of proteasomal genes (Xie & Varshavsky, 2001), causes downregulation of proteasomal activity (Kruegel, Robison et al., 2011) and showed synthetic growth defects with *adk1Δ, snf1Δ bas1Δ* at high temperature 38°C and in the presence of H_2O_2 (Fig. 6E). In contrast to proteasome, autophagy did not have apparent genetic interaction with above mutants (Fig. 6E). Deletion of essential component of autophagic pathway *ATG1* did not affect the sensitivity of *adk1Δ, snf1Δ, bas1Δ* to high temperature at 38°C or to the H_2O_2 (Fig. 6E). We also did not find accumulation Hsp104-GFP foci in autophagy mutants *atg1*, *atg8* and *atg13* (not shown).

To test the involvement of proteasome in removal of protein aggregation after transient depletion of ATP, we pretreated the cells with proteasomal inhibitor MG132 or DMSO and analyzed a kinetics of Hsp104-GFP foci formation after 2DG treatment (Fig. 6F) using a drug-sensitive yeast strain Y13206 (Piotrowski, Li et al., 2017). In both conditions, more than 90% cells exhibited Hsp104-GFP foci within 30 min of 2DG treatment. More than two-thirds of the Hsp104-GFP foci was dissolved in the DMSO control while less than one-third was in the MG132 treated samples indicating that proteasome is required for the dissolution process (Fig. 6F).

DISCUSSION

In this study, we have demonstrated for the first time that the Snf1 complex, budding yeast AMPK, is required for the stable maintenance of cellular ATP concentration (ATP homeostasis) in collaboration with adenylate kinase Adk1 (Fig. 7A). This function of the Snf1 complex in ATP homeostasis is independent of glucose concentrations in the medium and is independent of Mig1, the major transcriptional repressor involved in glucose repression (Fig. 1) and therefore is distinct from its well-characterized role in adaptation to glucose limitation. Activity of the Snf1 kinase complex might be sharply tuned depending on intracellular concentration of adenine nucleotides or other metabolites indicative of cellular energy to prevent rapid ATP catastrophe (Fig. 3) even in the presence of enough glucose. It is noteworthy that the reduction of intracellular ATP concentration in *snf1Δ* cells in the presence of glucose have escaped previous biochemical analysizes, again demonstrating the usefulness of the QUEEN-based ATP imaging.

Since deletion of *BAS1* causes the most severe reduction of ATP level and is epistatic to *snf1Δ*, a large pool size of adenine nucleotide is prerequisite for ATP homeostasis. This assumption is reasonable because the pool size of recyclable ATP restricts ATP concentration given that the rapid turnover rate of ATP. Bas1 would maintain the pool size of ATP by balancing ATP synthesis and irreversible decreases such as incorporation into RNA and DNA (following conversion to deoxy-ATP), degradation and excretion in rapidly proliferating yeasts.

We also have shown that key regulators of ATP homeostasis have roles in preventing cytotoxic protein aggregation in budding yeast (Fig. 7B). The common feature associated with these mutants are reduced level of ATP concentration, suggesting that high ATP level is essential for protein solubilization.

Recent study has suggested that requirement of ATP may change depending on its concentration. At low concentration below 0.5 mM, ATP mainly serves as a substrate for enzymes such as protein kinases and heat shock protein chaperones, but at higher concentration above 2 mM, ATP may have solubilizing effect on disordered proteins (Sridharan et al., 2019). ATP homeostasis also might be required for constant driving proteasomal protein degradation since it costs high amounts of ATP (Benaroudj, Zwickl et al., 2003, Tanaka, Waxman et al., 1983).

Former biochemical measurements indicate that although ATP levels are reduced in *adk1* and

bas1 mutants compared to wild-type, they still have ATP concentration above 2 mM (Gauthier

et al., 2008), which does not directly explain the accumulation of protein aggregations in these

mutants (Fig. 4) because most proteins are supposed to be soluble at > 2 mM ATP (Sridharan et

al., 2019). Visualization of ATP dynamics in living cells at single cell level revealed that ATP

undergoes transient depletion repeatedly (ATP catastrophe) in AMPK and ADK mutants

explaining how aggregation prone proteins aggregate and cause cytotoxicity. A similar, but

distinct instability of ATP was observed in *bas1Δ*, further confirming that ATP catastrophe

cause protein aggregation. Although the severe ATP depletion in these mutants are gradually

recovered by yet uncharacterized negative feedback regulation, the duration period of ~15 min

with reduced ATP can induce some proteins to form aggregates that last for generations.

Many neurodegenerative diseases such as Alzheimer's, Huntington's or Parkinson's are

associated with protein aggregation (Eisele, Monteiro et al., 2015, Josefson et al., 2017). On the

other hand, it has also been suggested that mitochondrial dysfunction and the accompanying

energy failure in nerve cells results in many types of neurodegenerative diseases based on a

body of evidence (Pathak et al., 2013). For example, there are reports showing that ATP level in

the brain is decreased in patients with early Parkinson's disease (Mochel, N'Guyen et al., 2012)

and that ATP synthesis in the brain is not properly regulated in patients with early Huntington's

disease (Hattingen, Magerkurth et al., 2009) and in the corresponding mouse model (Mochel,

Durant et al., 2012). Therefore, protein aggregation induced by ATP catastrophe revealed by

our study would link energy failure and protein aggregation, providing a comprehensive

insight into the onset of neurodegenerative diseases. It would be of great interest whether

ATP catastrophe is also taking place in neurons in potential patients of neurodegenerative

diseases or in the elderly. However, it seems to be obvious that neither biochemical

measurements nor mass spectrometry analysis is capable to detect ATP catastrophe because

of their insufficient time and space resolution. Thus, ATP imaging approach using the yeast

model system would be the first choice for examination of the molecular mechanism

underlying ATP homeostasis and ATP-catastrophe-induced protein aggregation.

A recent study reported that activation of AMPK by metformin ameliorates the progression of

Huntington's disease in a mouse model (Arnoux, Willam et al., 2018) and potential

therapeutic use of metformin for neurodegenerative disease is being discussed (Rotermund,

Machetanz et al., 2018). Also possible involvement of ATP and ADKs in preventing

manifestation of Parkinson's disease in mouse models and patients' are proposed

(Garcia-Esparcia, Hernandez-Ortega et al., 2015, Nakano, Imamura et al., 2017). Protein

aggregation induced by ATP catastrophe might be a general mechanism for development of

proteinopathy. Our study using ATP imaging reveals a physiological consequence of ATP

homeostasis failure in living cells for the first time and suggest that ATP homeostasis as a

promising target for preventing/treating neurodegenerative diseases.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Yeast strains and plasmids

Budding yeast strains and plasmids used in this study are listed in Supplementary Tables S1 and S2, respectively. These strains were constructed by a PCR-based method (Janke, Magiera et al., 2004) and genetic crosses. The yeast knockout strain collection was originally purchased from GE Healthcare (cat. # YSC1053).

Media, cell culture

Standard technic for yeast culture and manipulation was used (Guthrie & Fink, 2002). Synthetic medium (SC) were prepared according to the recipe of Hanscho et al. (Hanscho, Ruckerbauer et al., 2012). 2-Deoxy-D-glucose (2DG), tunicamycin and MG132 were purchased from FUJIFILM Wako (cat. # 046-06483, 202-08241 and 139-18451, respectively). Tunicamycin and MG132 were dissolved in dimethylsulfoxide (DMSO) to make stock solutions (5 mg/ml and 42 mM, respectively). Cells were grown to mid-log phase at 30°C in the SC before imaging unless otherwise noted.

Microscopy

Cells expressing Hsp104-GFP or GFP-Ubc9ts were concentrated by centrifugation and sandwiched between a slide and a coverslip (No. 1.5 thickness, Matsunami, Osaka, Japan). The immobilized cells were imaged using an inverted fluorescent microscope (Eclipse Ti-E, Nikon) equipped with Apo TIRF 100× Oil DIC N2/NA 1.49 objective lens and an electron multiplying charge-coupled device camera (iXon3 DU897E-CS0-#BV80, Andor) at around 25°C. The Hsp104-GFP and GFP-Ubc9ts fluorescent signal was collected from stacks of 11 z-sections spaced by 0.5 μm, and the maximum projections of the optical sections were shown in the Figs. 1-2, and S1. Cells expressing QUEEN were immobilized on a concanavalin A-coated 35-mm-glass bottom dish (#3971-035, No. 1.5 thickness, IWAKI). The dish was filled with excess amount of medium (4.5–5 ml) against the cell volume to minimize changes in chemical compositions of the medium during observation. The QUEEN fluorescence was acquired as previously described (Takaine et al., 2019). Cells expressing α-synuclein-GFP were immobilized on a slide glass as above, and the fluorescence signal was collected from a single z-plane using an inverted fluorescent microscope (Eclipse Ti2-E, Nikon, Tokyo, Japan) equipped with CFI Plan Apo λ 100× Oil DIC/NA1.45 objective lens and a CMOS image sensor

(DS-Qi2, Nikon). Images of cells were acquired from several fields of view for each

experimental condition.

Data analysis

Numerical data were plotted using a KaleidaGraph software ver. 4.5.1 (Synergy Software).

Means, SDs, and p-values were calculated using Excel software (Microsoft, WA, US).

Significance between two sets of data was tested using an unpaired one-tailed Welch's t-test

unless otherwise noted, and was indicated by an asterisk or by a p-value. The horizontal bar in

dot plot indicates the average of each population. All the measurements were repeated at least

twice to confirm the reproducibility.

Estimation of ATP concentration in yeast cells was carried out by using

QUEEN-based ratiometric imaging as previously described (Takaine, 2019) (Takaine et al.,

2019). The QUEEN ratio is proportional to ATP concentration and pseudo-colored to reflect its

value throughout the paper. The mean QUEEN ratio inside of a cell represent the intracellular

ATP concentration of the cell.

Autocorrelation functions (ACF) of the oscillation of QUEEN ratio were calculated

using the R studio software ver. 3.4.1 (R Core Team, 2017). The apparent period of oscillation

was estimated from the positive second peak of correlation coefficient, which was outside 95%

confidence interval and statistically significant ($p < 0.05$), rejecting the assumption that there is

no correlation.

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FIGURE LEGENDS

Fig. 1. AMPK is involved in maintenance of cellular ATP level in non-starving cells

(A) Visualization of intracellular ATP levels in wild-type (WT) and *snf1Δ* cells by using the

ATP sensor QUEEN. Cells were grown to mid-log phase in SC-H medium containing the

indicated concentrations of glucose and then imaged. White scale bar = 5 μm. (B) *snf1Δ* cells

showed reduced ATP levels compared to wild-type cells. The mean QUEEN ratio inside a

single cell (mean QUEEN ratio/cell), which represents intracellular ATP level of the cell, was

quantified for each cell from the ratio image. Data are the mean of the cell population ± 1SD

(error bar) normalized to the wild-type. N = 105–193 cells were scored. Asterisks indicate

statistical significance against WT ($p < 0.05$). (C) ATP levels in single-deletion mutants of

AMPK β subunits. Data are the mean of the cell population ± 1SD (error bar) normalized to

the wild-type. N = 177–223 cells were scored. Asterisks indicate statistical significance

between the two strains (*, $p < 0.05$; **, $p < 0.01$). N.S., no significance. (D) *mig1Δ* cells

showed slightly reduced ATP levels compared to wild-type cells. Data are the mean of the cell

population ± 1SD (error bar) normalized to the wild-type. N = 190–231 cells were scored.

Asterisks indicate statistical significance between the two strains.

Fig. 2 Both interconversion and active synthesis of adenine nucleotides are also

important for ATP homeostasis

(A) Adk1 and Snf1 synergistically control cellular ATP levels. QUEEN ratio images of the ATP

homeostasis mutants cells grown in the medium containing 2% glucose. An asterisk indicates

an example of cells with significantly reduced ATP level. (B) Mean QUEEN ratios of cells were

translated to the ATP concentration and shown in a dot plot. The horizontal bar indicates the

mean of each population. Asterisks indicate p-values versus WT: *=1.5×10^{-59}, **=2.3×10^{-34},

***=2.9×10^{-117}. CV: coefficient of variance. N = 134–276 cells were scored. (C) QUEEN ratio

images of *bas1Δ* cells grown in the 2% glucose medium. Growth in the media supplemented

with 0.11 mg/ml adenine partially restored the low ATP phenotype of the *bas1Δ*. (D) The ATP

concentrations of the cells shown in (C) were plotted. Asterisks indicate p-values: *=2.3×10^{-160},

=8.8×10^{-12} (versus WT in glucose), *=3.6×10^{-20} (versus *bas1Δ* in glucose). CV:

coefficient of variance. N = 186–296 cells were scored.

Fig. 3 Temporal fluctuation of ATP levels in *snf1Δadk1Δ* and *bas1Δ* cells

(A, C) Time-lapse imaging of the QUEEN in *snf1Δ adk1Δ* cells in the 2% glucose medium.

Images at the representative time points were shown. The QUEEN ratio was dropped twice

(indicated by arrowheads) with short interval. See also movie S1. Data were converted into ATP

concentrations and plotted in (C). (B, D) Another example of time-lapse imaging of the

QUEEN in *snf1Δadk1Δ* cells in the 2% glucose medium. The QUEEN ratio was dropped twice

(indicated by arrowheads) with long interval. See also movie S2. Data were converted into ATP

concentrations and plotted in (D). (E) A time-lapse imaging of the QUEEN in *bas1Δ* in the 2%

glucose medium. The ATP concentration of the mother (cell-1) and the daughter (cell-2) were

plotted in the bottom. Images at the representative time points were shown on the top. Note that

the QUEEN ratio is synchronized until the cells undergo cell separation at the time point 76 min

indicated by an arrow. After separation, each cell has unique periodic cycle of the ATP. The

movie is available in the movie S3. White scale bar = 5 μm.

Fig. 4. ATP homeostasis is required for preventing protein aggregation

(A) Functional landscape of the known interactors of ATP mutants. Negative genetic interactors

of the indicated gene were derived from SGD database (https://www.yeastgenome.org/)

(Cherry, Hong et al., 2012) and overlaid on a functional map based on the global genetic

interaction network of the yeast genome (Baryshnikova, 2016, Usaj et al., 2017). *URA6*

encodes an uridylate kinase essential for viability, which also have adenylate kinase activity.

(B) Each strain of indicated genotype was serially diluted (five-fold) and spotted on the SC +

2% glucose medium and grown in the indicated stress conditions. Photos were taken after 2-3

days. (C) Formation of Hsp104-GFP foci in ATP homeostasis mutants. GFP signal (inverted

grayscale) was imaged in the log phase culture of the indicated mutant cells expressing

Hsp104-GFP at 35°C. (D) Quantification of the data shown in (C). Data from similar

experiments using strains expressing Pab1-GFP, instead of Hsp104-GFP, were also plotted.

Values are the mean ± 1SD (error bars). Asterisks indicate statistical significance against WT (p

< 0.05) (N=3–4). White scale bar = 5 μm.

Fig. 5 ATP depletion triggers protein aggregation in living yeast cells

(A) Hsp104-GFP foci formation after ATP depletion. Wild type cells expressing Hsp104-GFP

were grown to log phase at 35°C in the medium containing 2% glucose. At the time point 0 min,

the medium was replaced with 20 mM 2DG (red) or 2% glucose (as a control; blue). The cells

were released back to the media containing 2% glucose at the time point 50 min. Cells were

imaged at the indicated time-points, classified and scored according to the number of

Hsp104-GFP foci. Values are the mean (N = 3). Asterisks indicate statistical significance

against 2% glucose treatment (p < 0.05). (B) Representative images of cells analyzed in (A).

(C) Formation of Ubc9-ts foci after ATP depletion. Cells expressing GFP-Ubc9-ts under an

inducible *GAL* promoter were grown in the medium containing 2% galactose (SC-gal) at 33°C,

and then the medium was exchanged with 2DG or SC-gal. After 30 min, cells were imaged and

scored for the number of GFP-Ubc9-ts foci. Representative images (inverted grayscale) are

shown in the left and summarized in the right. Values are the mean ± 1SD (error bars) (N = 4).

White scale bar = 5 μm.

Fig. 6 Aggregation and cytotoxicity of α-synuclein depends on ATP homeostasis

(A) Each strain of indicated genotype was transformed with an expression vector carrying

α-synuclein-GFP or GFP, serially diluted (five-fold) and spotted on SC + 2% galactose plate,

and then grown for 3 days at 30°C. (B) Localization of α-synuclein-GFP in ATP mutants. Cells

were grown on galactose plates for more than 42 h at 30°C, and then imaged. Representative

images of α-synuclein-GFP (inverted grayscale) are shown. (C) Quantification of the data

shown in (B). Cells were classified and scored for the localization pattern of α-synuclein-GFP.

Percent of cells showing α-synuclein-GFP foci are plotted. Data are the mean ± 1SD (error

bars) from 3–6 independent observations. N = 33–380 cells were scored in each measurement.

P-values versus WT are shown. N.S., no significance (*p*-value > 0.05). (D) *(top)* Each strain of

indicated genotype was transformed with an expression vector carrying α-synuclein-GFP and

grown on galactose plates containing 0 mM (− Adenine) or 0.3 mM (+ Adenine) adenine for 3

days at 30°C. *(bottom)* Cells were grown on galactose plates in the absence or presence of

adenine for 41-45 h at 30°C, and then imaged. Percent of cells showing α-synuclein-GFP foci

are plotted. Data are the mean ± 1SD (error bars) from 5 independent transformants. N = 53–

258 cells were scored in each measurement. *P*-values versus "− Adenine" are shown. (E) Each

strain of indicated genotype was serially diluted (five-fold) and spotted on the SC + 2% glucose

medium and grown in the indicated stress conditions. (F) Cells of a drug-sensitive strain

Y13206 were grown to log phase at 37°C in the medium containing 2% glucose and

supplemented with 0.1% DMSO or 0.1% DMSO plus 42 μM MG132 at *t* = −30 min. At *t* = 0

min, these cells were washed and released in the medium containing 20 mM 2DG ± MG132,

and then the cells were washed and released again in the medium containing 2% glucose ±

MG132. Cells were imaged at indicated time points and scored for the number of Hsp104-GFP

foci. Data are the mean ± 1SD (error bars). Asterisks indicate statistical significance against

DMSO (*p* < 0.02) (N=3).

Fig. 7 Models for ATP homeostasis and its role for proteostasis

(A) Schematic summary of the roles of Snf1, Adk1, and Bas1 in ATP homeostasis. (B) A

schematic model for ATP homeostasis preventing cytotoxic protein aggregation.

 SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

Supplementary figure legends

Fig. S1 Adenylate kinase Adk1 is involved in maintenance of cellular ATP

concentration

(A) QUEEN ratio images of wild-type and *adk1Δ* cells grown in 2% glucose or 2% galactose.

White scale bar = 5 μm. (B) Quantification of data shown in (A). Mean QUEEN ratio/cell was

quantified for each cell from the ratio images. Values are the mean of the cell population ± 1SD

(error bar). N = 182–236 cells were scored. Asterisks indicate statistical significance against

WT ($p < 0.05$).

Fig. S2 ATP levels in *bas1Δ snf1Δ* cells

(A) QUEEN ratio images of wild-type, *bas1Δ*, *snf1Δ* and *bas1Δ snf1Δ* cells. (B) Quantification

of data shown in (A). Mean QUEEN ratio/cell was quantified for each cell from the ratio

images. Data are shown as a dot plot. The horizontal bar in the plot indicates the mean of each

population. Significance between two sets of data was tested using an unpaired two-tailed

Welch's *t*-test and are indicated by *p*-values. N.S., no significance (*p*-value > 0.05).

Fig. S3 Time-lapse imaging of the QUEEN in *snf1Δ adk1Δ* cells

Time-lapse imaging of the QUEEN in *snf1Δ adk1Δ* cells in the 2% glucose medium. An

example of *snf1Δ adk1Δ* cell showing the irreversible drop of QUEEN ratio (indicated by an

arrowhead). In this case, the cell eventually died (indicated by an arrow). Images at the

representative time points were shown. The ATP concentration was plotted in the bottom.

White scale bar = 5 μm.

Fig. S4. Oscillatory behaviour of the ATP concentration visualized in the *bas1Δ* cell

(A) Another example of *bas1Δ* cells showing the oscillation of QUEEN ratio. In this case,

cytokinesis had just been completed at t = 0 min. ATP concentration of the cell-1 and the cell-2

were plotted in the bottom. See also movie S4. White scale bar = 5 μm. (B) Autocorrelation

function of the QUEEN ratio calculated from the data of cell-1 in Fig. 3E. Blue dotted lines

indicate 95% confidence interval. An arrow indicates the second peak of correlation that is

statistically significant and corresponds to the apparent period.

Fig. S5 *In silico* analysis of interactors of ATP mutants

Genetic and physical interactors of the indicated genes were derived from SGD database

(https://www.yeastgenome.org/) (Cherry et al., 2012) and overlaid on a functional map based

on the global genetic interaction network of the yeast genome (Baryshnikova, 2016, Usaj et al.,

2017). *URA6* encodes an uridylate kinase essential for viability, which also have adenylate

kinase activity.

Fig. S6 Simultaneous observation of Hsp104 and Pab1 foci

Wild-type cells expressing Hsp104-GFP and Pab1-RedStar2 were grown to log phase at 37°C

in the medium containing 2% glucose. The cells were washed and released either in the medium

containing 20 mM 2DG (top) or in the medium lacking glucose (bottom), and then imaged after

30 and 60 min. White scale bar = 5 µm.

Fig. S7 Cytotoxicity of polyQ containing Huntingtin protein in wild-type and

ATP-mutant yeast cells

Each strain of indicated genotype was transformed with an expression vector carrying Htt103Q

and grown on glucose ((-), no induction) or raffinose ((+), leaky expression) plates for 3 days at

30°C.

 Table S1. *Strains used in this study*

Name	Genotype	Source	Figure
MTY3008	*snf1Δ::kanMX6 leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0*	Lab stock	4B, 6A-C, 6E, S7
MTY3015	*his3Δ1 leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0*	Lab stock	4B, 6A-E, S7
MTY3049	*adk1Δ::kanMX6 his3Δ1 leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0*	Lab stock	4B, 6A-E, S7
MTY3118	*bas1Δ::kanMX6 leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0*	Lab stock	4B, 6A-E, S7
MTY3143	*his3Δ1:: 2×pRS303-P$_{TEF}$-QUEEN-2m-T$_{CYC1}$ leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0*	This study	S1
MTY3149	*adk1Δ::kanMX6 his3Δ1:: 2×pRS303-P$_{TEF}$-QUEEN-2m-T$_{CYC1}$ leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0*	This study	S1
MTY3264	*his3Δ1:: 3×pRS303-P$_{TEF}$-QUEEN-2m-T$_{CYC1}$ leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0 MYO1-3mCherry-hphMX6*	Takaine et al., 2019	2A-B, S2
MTY3270	*bas1Δ::kanMX6 his3Δ1:: 3×pRS303-P$_{TEF}$-QUEEN-2m-T$_{CYC1}$ leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0 MYO1-3mCherry-hphMX6*	This study	2C-D, 3E, S2, S4
MTY3293	*adk1Δ::kanMX6 his3Δ1:: 3×pRS303-P$_{TEF}$-QUEEN-2m-T$_{CYC1}$ leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0 MYO1-3mCherry-hphMX6*	This study	2A-B
MTY3355	*adk1Δ::kanMX6 snf1Δ::natNT2 his3Δ1:: 3×pRS303-P$_{TEF}$-QUEEN-2m-T$_{CYC1}$ leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0 MYO1-3mCherry-hphMX6*	This study	2A-B, 3A-D, S3
MTY3371	*snf1Δ::kanMX6 his3Δ1:: 3×pRS303-P$_{TEF}$-QUEEN-2m-T$_{CYC1}$ leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0 MYO1-3mCherry-hphMX6*	This study	2A-B, S2
MTY3412	*adk1Δ::kanMX6 snf1Δ::natNT2 leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0*	This study	4B, 6A-E, S7
MTY3420	*Hsp104-yeGFP-hphNT1 his3Δ1 leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0*	This study	4C-D, 5A-B
MTY3421	*snf1Δ::kanMX6 Hsp104-yeGFP-hphNT1 his3Δ1 leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0*	This study	4C-D
MTY3422	*bas1Δ::kanMX6 Hsp104-yeGFP-hphNT1 his3Δ1 leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0*	This study	4C-D
MTY3424	*adk1Δ::kanMX6 Hsp104-yeGFP-hphNT1 his3Δ1 leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0*	This study	4C-D
MTY3425	*adk1Δ::kanMX6 snf1Δ::natNT2 Hsp104-yeGFP-hphNT1 his3Δ1 leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0*	This study	4C-D
MTY3489	*atg1Δ::kanMX6 his3Δ1 leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0*	Lab stock	6E
MTY3493	*snq2Δ::KlLeu2; pdr3Δ::Klura3; pdr1Δ::natMX4; can1Δ::STE2prSp_his5 lyp1Δ*	From Y.	Parental

	his3Δ1 leu2Δ0 ura3Δ0 met15Δ0 LYS2+	Ohya, (Piotrowski et al., 2017)	strain of MTY3501
MTY3501	*Hsp104-yeGFP-hphNT1 snq2Δ::KILeu2; pdr3Δ::KIura3; pdr1Δ::natMX4; can1Δ::STE2prSp_his5 lyp1Δ his3Δ1 leu2Δ0 ura3Δ0 met15Δ0 LYS2+*	This study	6F
MTY3503	*Pab1- yeGFP-hphNT1 his3Δ1 leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0*	This study	4D
MTY3504	*Hsp104-yeGFP-hphNT1 Pab1-RedStar2-natNT2 his3Δ1 leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0*	This study	S6
MTY3505	*snf1Δ::kanMX6 Pab1- yeGFP-hphNT1 his3Δ1 leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0*	This study	4D
MTY3506	*adk1Δ::kanMX6 Pab1- yeGFP-hphNT1 his3Δ1 leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0*	This study	4D
MTY3507	*adk1Δ::kanMX6 snf1Δ::natNT2 Pab1- yeGFP-hphNT1 his3Δ1 leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0*	This study	4D
MTY3508	*bas1Δ::kanMX6 Pab1- yeGFP-hphNT1 his3Δ1 leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0*	This study	4D
MTY3513	*atg1Δ::natNT2 adk1Δ::kanMX6 his3Δ1 leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0*	This study	6E
MTY3514	*atg1Δ::natNT2 snf1Δ::kanMX6 his3Δ1 leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0*	This study	6E
MTY3515	*atg1Δ::natNT2 bas1Δ::kanMX6 his3Δ1 leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0*	This study	6E
MTY3516	*rpn4Δ::natNT2 adk1Δ::kanMX6 his3Δ1 leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0*	This study	6E
MTY3517	*rpn4Δ::natNT2 snf1Δ::kanMX6 his3Δ1 leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0*	This study	6E
MTY3518	*rpn4Δ::natNT2 bas1Δ::kanMX6 his3Δ1 leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0*	This study	6E
MTY3525	*rpn4Δ::kanMX6 his3Δ1 leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 ura3Δ0*	Lab stock	6A-C, 6E

738 Table S2. *Plasmids used in this study*

Name	Structure	Source	Purpose
MTP3091	pESC-Leu-GFP-Ubc9-ts	Judith Frydman (pJF1089)	Fig. 5C
MTP3088	p426 103Q GAL	Addgene (cat.# 1188)	Fig. S7
MTP3108	pYES2-α-synuclein-GFP	H. Takagi (Wijayanti et al., 2015)	Fig. 6A-D
MTP3090	pYES2-GFP	K. Ohashi	Fig. 6A

Captions for supplementary movies

Movie S1.

Time-lapse imaging of the QUEEN in *snf1Δadk1Δ* cells in the 2% glucose medium.

Corresponding to the data shown in Fig. 3A. The QUEEN ratio was dropped twice (116 min

and 132 min) with short interval. White scale bar = 5 μm.

Movie S2.

Another example of *snf1Δadk1Δ* cells showing the sudden drop of QUEEN ratio.

Corresponding to the data shown in Fig. 3B. The QUEEN ratio was dropped twice (180 min

and 356 min) with long interval. White scale bar = 5 μm.

Movie S3.

Oscillatory behavior of the QUEEN ratio in the *bas1Δ* cell. Corresponding to the data shown in

Fig. 3E. Left, the QUEEN ratio image; middle, Myo1-mCherry (inverted grayscale image);

right, bright field image. Images were taken every 4 min. White scale bar = 5 μm.

Movie S4.

Another example of *bas1Δ* cells showing the oscillation of QUEEN ratio. Corresponding to

the data shown in Supplementary Fig. S4A. Left, the QUEEN ratio image; right, bright field

image. In this case, cytokinesis had been already completed at t = 0 min. Images was taken

every 3 min. White scale bar = 5 μm.

Fig. 1

A

B

C

D

Fig. 2

A

WT snf1Δ

adk1Δ snf1Δ adk1Δ *

cells in 2% glucose

B

CV: 0.11 0.223 0.243 0.282

mean [ATP] (mM)

WT snf1Δ adk1Δ snf1Δ adk1Δ

* ** ***

C

glucose glucose + adenine

bas1Δ cells in 2% glucose

D

CV: 0.14 0.41 0.10 0.45

mean [ATP] (mM)

glucose glucose + adenine

* ** ***

● WT
◆ bas1Δ

Fig. 3

A   *snf1Δadk1Δ* cells in 2% glucose

E   *bas1Δ* cells in 2% glucose

Fig. 4

A

adk1 nega | bas1 nega | snf1 nega | ura6 nega

Protein folding/
Glycosylation

Metabolism

B

	control	40°C	55°C, 1 h	tunicamycin	H₂O₂
WT					
snf1Δ					
adk1Δ					
snf1Δ adk1Δ					
bas1Δ					

C

Hsp104-GFP

WT | snf1Δ | adk1Δ | snf1Δ adk1Δ | bas1Δ

D

% cells with foci

Hsp104
Pab1

WT snf1Δ adk1Δ snf1Δ adk1Δ bas1Δ

Fig. 5

A

B

Hsp104-GFP

glucose | 2DG | glucose
0 min | 15 min | 45 min | 110 min

C

GFP-Ubc9ts

mock | 2DG

$p=7.3 \times 10^{-4}$

Fig. 6

A

α-synuclein-GFP   GFP

WT
snf1Δ
adk1Δ
bas1Δ
rpn4Δ
snf1Δadk1Δ

B

α-synuclein-GFP

WT   snf1Δ   adk1Δ
bas1Δ   snf1Δadk1Δ   rpn4Δ

C

% cells with syn-GFP foci

WT
snf1Δ   p=5.1 × 10⁻³
adk1Δ   p=2.2 × 10⁻⁴
snf1Δadk1Δ   p=3.2 × 10⁻⁶
bas1Δ   p=2.3 × 10⁻⁴
rpn4Δ   N.S.

D

α-synuclein-GFP
– Adenine   + Adenine

WT
bas1Δ
adk1Δ

% cells with syn-GFP foci

WT   N.S.
bas1Δ   p=1.2 × 10⁻³
adk1Δ   N.S.

■ – Adenine
■ + Adenine

E

control   38°C   1.5 mM H₂O₂

wt
snf1Δ
adk1Δ
bas1Δ
rpn4Δ
rpn4Δsnf1Δ
rpn4Δadk1Δ
rpn4Δbas1Δ

wt
snf1Δ
adk1Δ
bas1Δ
atg1Δ
atg1Δsnf1Δ
atg1Δadk1Δ
atg1Δbas1Δ

F

-30   0   30   60   90   120 (min)
glucose   2DG   glucose
DMSO or MG132

% cells with Hsp104 foci

-30 0 30 60 90 120   0 30 60 90 120
DMSO   MG132

Fig. 7

A

Snf1   Adk1

Regeneration

adenine synthesis → AMP → ADP → **ATP**

Bas1

Consumption

Snf1

B

native protein   proteotoxic stress   disordered protein aggregation

high & stable ATP

cytotoxicity

proteasomal degradation

A

B

Fig. S2

A

WT   bas1Δ   snf1Δ   bas1Δsnf1Δ

2% glucose

B

$P = 7.4 \times 10^{-76}$

$P = 6.7 \times 10^{-62}$

N.S.

mean QUEEN ratio/cell

WT   snf1Δ   bas1Δ   bas1Δsnf1Δ

snf1Δadk1Δ cells in 2% glucose

A

bas1Δ cells in 2% glucose

B

Fig. S5

Fig. S6

Fig. S7