

Structure of the Saccharomyces cerevisiae Hrr25: Mam1 monopolin subcomplex reveals a novel kinase regulator

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Abstract

In budding yeast, the monopolin complex mediates sister kinetochore cross-linking and co-orientation in meiosis I. The CK1 δ kinase Hrr25 is critical for sister kinetochore co-orientation, but its roles are not well understood. Here, we present the structures of Hrr25 and its complex with the monopolin subunit Mam1. Hrr25 possesses a "central domain" that packs tightly against the kinase C-lobe, adjacent to the binding site for Mam1. Together, the Hrr25 central domain and Mam1 form a novel, contiguous embellishment to the Hrr25 kinase domain that affects Hrr25 conformational dynamics and enzyme kinetics. Mam1 binds a hydrophobic surface on the Hrr25 N-lobe that is conserved in CK1 δ -family kinases, suggesting a role for this surface in recruitment and/or regulation of these enzymes throughout eukaryotes. Finally, using purified proteins, we find that Hrr25 phosphorylates the kinetochore receptor for monopolin, Dsn1. Together with our new structural insights into the fully assembled monopolin complex, this finding suggests that tightly localized Hrr25 activity modulates monopolin complex-kinetochore interactions through phosphorylation of both kinetochore and monopolin complex components.

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Introduction

Sexual reproduction in eukaryotes depends on meiosis, a specialized two-stage cell division program that reduces a cell's ploidy by half to generate haploid gametes. In the first meiotic division, termed meiosis I, homologous chromosomes become linked by reciprocal DNA exchanges called crossovers. These links allow the kinetochores of each homolog pair to bi-orient, or attach to microtubules extending from opposite spindle poles, enabling their subsequent segregation from one another in the meiosis I division. As each homolog is made up of two sister chromosomes, proper homolog bi-orientation also requires that sister kinetochores co-orient, or attach to the same spindle pole. In budding yeast, sister kinetochore co-orientation is mediated by the monopolin complex, which cross-links each pair of sister kinetochores to fuse them into a single complex that binds one microtubule in meiosis I (Toth *et al*, 2000; Rabitsch *et al*, 2003; Winey *et al*, 2005; Petronczki *et al*, 2006; Corbett *et al*, 2010; Sarangapani *et al*, 2014).

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The structural core of the monopolin complex comprises the Csm1 and Lrs4 proteins, which are found throughout fungi and assemble into a "V"-shaped complex with two "heads" that each contains at least one binding site for the kinetochore protein Dsn1 (Corbett et al, 2010; Corbett & Harrison, 2012; Sarkar et al, 2013). In S. pombe, this complex localizes to kinetochores in mitosis and suppresses the attachment of single kinetochores to microtubules extending from both spindle poles, called merotelic attachments (Gregan et al, 2007; Rumpf et al, 2010b; Tada et al, 2011; Burrack et al, 2013). In budding yeast, whose kinetochores cannot form merotelic attachments as they bind a single microtubule, Csm1 and Lrs4 play only a minor role in supporting mitotic chromosome segregation accuracy (Brito et al, 2010). Budding yeast Csm1 and Lrs4 are critically important in meiosis I, however, where they mediate sister kinetochore co-orientation along with two regulatory subunits, Mam1 and Hrr25 (Toth et al, 2000; Rabitsch et al, 2003; Petronczki et al, 2006).

The budding yeast-specific Mam1 protein is expressed only in meiosis and contains binding sites for both Csm1 and Hrr25 (Toth *et al*, 2000; Rabitsch *et al*, 2003; Petronczki *et al*, 2006; Corbett & Harrison, 2012). Hrr25 is a CK1 δ -family kinase, and while its kinase activity is dispensable for monopolin's kinetochore localization, it is required for specific sister kinetochore co-orientation in meiosis I (Petronczki *et al*, 2006). Hrr25 kinase activity is not required for cross-linking of purified kinetochore particles *in vitro* (Sarangapani *et al*, 2014), perhaps due to high protein concentration in these experiments, and/or a lack of geometric constraints imposed by chromosome structure. Overall, these data imply that Hrr25 likely contributes to meiosis I sister kinetochore co-orientation by phosphorylating its targets to either reinforce

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correct monopolin–kinetochore interactions or suppress incorrect interactions. Hrr25's specific roles remain unclear, however, due largely to a lack of mechanistic information on its recruitment to kinetochores, its differential regulation when part of the monopolin complex, and its specific substrates in this context.

CK1 kinases comprise a large, functionally diverse kinase family that regulates numerous processes including circadian rhythms (Gallego & Virshup, 2007), Wnt signaling (Price, 2006), and many other pathways (Knippschild et al, 2005). Major CK1 isoforms in mammals include CK1 α , CK1 δ , CK1 ϵ , and CK1 γ (Knippschild *et al*, 2005). Saccharomyces cerevisiae possesses four CK1 family members (Yck1, Yck2, Yck3, and Hrr25), of which three (Yck1, Yck2, and Yck3) are C-terminally prenylated and membrane-localized (Vancura et al, 1994; Wang et al, 1996). Hrr25 is the sole soluble CK1 ortholog in S. cerevisiae and is most closely related to mammalian CK18. In addition to its role in the monopolin complex, S. cerevisiae Hrr25 has been implicated in DNA repair (Hoekstra et al, 1991), ribosome biogenesis (Schäfer et al, 2006; Ghalei et al, 2015), vesicle trafficking and autophagy (Lord et al, 2011; Bhandari et al, 2013; Mochida et al, 2014; Pfaffenwimmer et al, 2014; Tanaka et al, 2014; Wang et al, 2015), clathrin-mediated endocytosis (Peng et al, 2015a), and most recently microtubule assembly (Peng et al, 2015b). Hrr25 and its fission-yeast homologs Hhp1 and Hhp2 have also been implicated in several monopolin-independent meiotic functions, including controlling cleavage of the meiotic cohesin subunit Rec8 (Ishiguro et al, 2010; Katis et al, 2010; Rumpf et al, 2010a) and assembly of the meiotic chromosome axis (Phadnis et al, 2015; Sakuno & Watanabe, 2015). In most of these diverse contexts, the mechanistic basis for Hrr25 recruitment and regulation, if any, remains largely unknown.

Here, we present the structures of Hrr25 from two species of budding yeast, *S. cerevisiae* and *Candida glabrata*, and the structure of the *S. cerevisiae* Hrr25:Mam1 complex. The structures reveal that Hrr25 bears close structural similarity to other CK1 δ kinases, but unique features of both Hrr25 and its complex with Mam1 reveal a novel mode for kinase recruitment and regulation. Mam1 binds a conserved hydrophobic surface on the Hrr25 N-lobe, suggesting that CK1 δ -family kinases throughout eukaryotes may be regulated via this surface. Along with our prior structures of the Csm1:Lrs4 and Csm1:Mam1 complexes, we can now assemble a nearly complete atomic model for the budding yeast monopolin complex. Based on this model, we propose a scheme in which highly localized Hrr25 activity modulates the binding affinity of the monopolin complex for kinetochores, thereby mediating the specific cross-linking of sister kinetochores in meiosis I.

Results

$\mathsf{CK1\delta}$ proteins from point-centromere fungi possess a conserved central domain

Saccharomyces cerevisiae Hrr25 contains an N-terminal kinase domain (amino acids \sim 1–290), a "central domain" (amino acids \sim 290–394) that we previously reported is found only in *S. cerevisiae* and its close relatives (Corbett & Harrison, 2012), and a C-terminal proline/glutamine-rich domain that is predicted to be largely disordered in solution (Fig 1A). To more clearly determine the species

distribution and conservation of the Hrr25 central domain, we generated a phylogenetic tree from the sequences of 93 fungal Hrr25 orthologs (Figs 1B and EV1A). We found that Hrr25 orthologs from Saccharomycotina yeast split into two major groups, based on whether they possess the central domain or not. The set of species whose Hrr25 orthologs possess a central domain correlates with



Figure 1. Hrr25 orthologs from point-centromere fungi form a distinct group.

- A Domain diagram of CK1δ orthologs from Saccharomyces cerevisiae, S. pombe, and M. musculus, with percent sequence identity (% ID) noted and of S. cerevisiae Mam1. Hrr25 orthologs from S. cerevisiae and its close relatives possess a "central domain" (green) and a C-terminal proline/ glutamine-rich region predicted to be disordered in solution (magenta).
- B Phylogenetic tree constructed from an alignment of 93 fungal Hrr25 orthologs. Branches in green represent Hrr25 proteins from Saccharomycotina yeast with the conserved central domain (see Fig EV1A for sequence alignment). Branches in blue represent Saccharomycotina Hrr25 proteins lacking this domain. Orange stars indicate the presence of a Mam1 ortholog in each species' genome. *E. cymbalariae* (white star) possesses an unannotated Mam1 ortholog on chromosome VII (region ~313,000–315,000, 32% identity to *S. cerevisiae* Mam1 residues 83–242, identified by TBLASTN (NCBI). Purple diamonds denote organisms in which point-centromere sequences have been identified (Meraldi *et al*, 2006; Gordon *et al*, 2011). Point centromeres and Mam1 orthologs are both exclusive to the group of yeast whose Hrr25 orthologs possess the central domain.

those species that possess a *MAM1* gene, and with species known or suspected to possess point centromeres, short DNA sequence-defined centromeres whose kinetochores bind a single microtubule as in *S. cerevisiae* (Meraldi *et al*, 2006; Westermann *et al*, 2007; Gordon *et al*, 2011). This striking correlation supports the idea that the Hrr25 central domain is involved in a monopolin complex-specific role, likely through an interaction (physical or functional) with Mam1.

Structure of the Hrr25 kinase domain

To explore the structural basis for Hrr25 function within the monopolin complex, we sought to determine the structure of the protein from point-centromere fungi. We previously showed that an *S. cerevisiae* Hrr25 construct consisting of the kinase and central domains (residues 1–394 of 494) can be expressed in *Escherichia coli* (Corbett & Harrison, 2012). Because this protein is extensively and heterogeneously autophosphorvlated when purified from *E. coli*, we purified a kinase-dead version of the protein (lysine 38 to arginine; K38R) for crystallization trials. We obtained crystals of Hrr25^{1–394} K38R in the presence of the CK1 inhibitor CK1-7, which likely constrained the conformational freedom of the kinase domain and contributed to the formation of well-ordered crystals (Chijiwa et al, 1989; Xu et al, 1996). We also cloned the equivalent construct of C. glabrata Hrr25 (residues 1-403 of 495) and obtained crystals both in the absence of bound nucleotide (Apo) and in the presence of ADP. We used single-wavelength anomalous diffraction (SAD) methods to determine the structure of C. glabrata Hrr25¹⁻⁴⁰³ K38R bound to ADP at a resolution of 2.0 Å, then used this model to determine the structures of *C. glabrata* Hrr25¹⁻⁴⁰³ K38R in the Apo form at 2.9 Å and of CK1-7-bound S. cerevisiae Hrr25¹⁻³⁹⁴ K38R at 3.0 Å (Figs 2 and EV2, and Table EV1).



Figure 2. Structure and nucleotide/inhibitor binding by budding yeast Hrr25.

- A Domain diagram of crystallized Hrr25 constructs from Saccharomyces cerevisiae and Candida glabrata, missing the P/Q-rich C-terminal domain.
- B Structures of *S. cerevisiae* Hrr25^{1–394} K38R bound to CK1-7 (Chijiwa *et al*, 1989; Xu *et al*, 1996) and *C. glabrata* Hrr25^{1–403} K38R bound to ADP, with domains colored as in (A). Bound PO_4^-/SO_4^- ions are shown as spheres (see Fig EV2A for additional *C. glabrata* Hrr25 structures and Fig EV3A for SO_4^- ion electron density).
- C Overlay of the kinase domain of *C. glabrata* Hrr25 (Apo form, crystallized with 1.2 M PO₄⁻) with rat CK1δ crystallized in the presence of tungstate ions (WO₄; PDB ID 1CK); Longenecker *et al*, 1996) (see Fig EV2B for detailed views of ion binding).
- D Stereo view of CK1-7 binding to S. cerevisiae Hrr25. Bound drug is positioned identically to a previous structure of S. pombe Cki1 bound to CK1-7 (Xu et al, 1996). All active-site residues shown are conserved between S. cerevisiae and C. glabrata Hrr25.
- E Stereo view of ADP binding to C. glabrata Hrr25 (formate structure; SO₄⁻ structure is equivalent, but the GxGxxG motif is disordered in that structure). All active-site residues shown are conserved between S. cerevisiae and Candida glabrata Hrr25.

The structures of S. cerevisiae and C. glabrata Hrr25 are nearly identical, showing between 0.3 and 0.7 Å overall C α r.m.s.d. (Fig 2A and B). The structures are also highly similar to those of mammalian CK18 and S. pombe Cki1, showing 0.6-0.7 Å Ca r.m.s.d. with both enzymes (over 215–226 C α atom pairs) (Fig 2C). The juxtaposition of the N- and C-lobes, and the position of important active-site residues, is also nearly identical between Apo, ADP, and CK1-7 bound Hrr25 structures. As observed in prior CK1 structures, Hrr25 bears the structural hallmarks of an active kinase in both the Apo and nucleotide-bound structures. First, the DFG motif (residues 149-151) containing the catalytic aspartic acid residue is in its active conformation. Also, the αC helix bordering the nucleotide-binding site is in the "in" position. CK1 enzymes do not require phosphorylation in the "activation loop" for full activity; however, a conserved $PO_4^$ binding site in Hrr25 does align structurally with other kinases' activation loop phosphothreonine residue (see below). Finally, both nucleotide and CK1-7 bind Hrr25 in an identical manner to prior structures (Xu et al, 1996).

Hrr25 shares conserved PO_4^- binding sites with other CK1 enzymes

Prior structures of *S. pombe* Cki1 and mammalian CK1 δ revealed two conserved sites that bind phosphate (PO₄⁻) or tungstate (WO₄⁻) ions in the crystals (Xu *et al*, 1995; Longenecker *et al*, 1996). Both *S. cerevisiae* and *C. glabrata* Hrr25 were crystallized in the presence of 0.2 M or higher SO₄⁻ or PO₄⁻ salts (see Materials and Methods), and we observed ions bound to both previously identified sites in all structures (Figs 2C and EV2). The first site, referred to here as S1, is likely involved in substrate recognition. CK1 enzymes are phosphate-directed, preferring substrates with a "priming phosphate" in the -2 or -3 position (Flotow & Roach, 1991; Knippschild *et al*, 2005). S1 is positioned close to the active site, and modeling a substrate onto the Hrr25 structure shows that a phosphorylated residue in the -2 or -3 position could be accommodated at this site (Fig EV2C).

The second ion-binding site, S2, is positioned behind the active site between the N- and C-lobes, but is coordinated solely by Clobe residues in both Hrr25 and other CK1 δ enzymes (Figs 2C and EV2). This site overlaps almost perfectly with the location of the phosphorylated activation loop threonine in other kinase families and has been proposed to recognize phosphorylated residues in the autoregulatory C-terminal domain of CK1 enzymes (Longenecker et al, 1996). To determine whether ion occupancy at S2 affects the conformation of Hrr25, we attempted to crystallize the protein in the absence of PO_4^- or SO_4^- . We determined the structure of *C. glabrata* Hrr25^{1–403} K38R bound to ADP in the presence of sodium formate instead of lithium sulfate and found that while S1 was bound to a formate ion, S2 was unoccupied. In this structure, the overall protein conformation is unchanged but residues 174-176, positioned directly between S1 and S2, shift position slightly and are less well defined in electron density maps in the formate-bound structure than in the SO₄-bound structure (Fig EV2B). As this region makes up part of the substrate-binding groove, local perturbations in structure induced by binding or release of ions at these positions may have an effect on substrate recognition or kinase activity.

Structure of the Hrr25 central domain

While the structure of its kinase domain is nearly identical to that of other CK1 enzymes, Hrr25 differs from these enzymes in possessing a conserved, well-ordered "central domain" between the kinase domain and C-terminal autoregulatory region (Figs 1A, 3 and EV1A). This domain adopts the same structure in both *S. cerevisiae* and *C. glabrata* Hrr25 and folds into a cluster of five short α -helices and one extended loop, all packed tightly against the C-lobe of the kinase domain (Fig 3B). Helices $\alpha 2$ and $\alpha 5$ are poorly ordered (as judged by B-factor, a statistical measure of order in a refined crystal structure) in all structures, and helix $\alpha 2$ is visible in electron density maps in only one structure, that of *C. glabrata* Hrr25¹⁻⁴⁰³ K38R in the Apo state. Structural similarity searches using DALI reveal no similar folds, either as independently folded proteins or associated with kinases.

Structure of the Hrr25:Mam1 complex

We previously reported that a construct of *S. cerevisiae* Mam1 containing residues 87-191 forms a stable complex with Hrr 25^{1-394}



Figure 3. Structure of the Hrr25 central domain.

- A Two views of *Candida glabrata* Hrr25 (Apo form) with domains colored as in Fig 1, showing bound PO₄⁻ ions and the previously identified Mam1binding residues His25 and Glu34 (Petronczki *et al*, 2006).
- B Two views, roughly equivalent to the views in (A), of the Hrr25 central domain, colored as a rainbow according to the schematic at top. Dotted lines in the schematic indicate disordered loops (see Fig EV1A for sequence alignment of this domain).

K38R when co-expressed in *E. coli* (Corbett & Harrison, 2012). After initial crystallization trials with this complex (Hrr25^{1–394} K38R: Mam1^{87–191}) were unsuccessful, we performed reductive methylation of surface-exposed lysine residues (Walter *et al*, 2006; Kim *et al*, 2008) and identified conditions for crystallization of the modified complex. We determined the structure of the Hrr25^{1–394} K38R: Mam1^{87–191} complex by molecular replacement in two different crystal forms, one with one copy of the 1:1 complex per asymmetric unit (form 1, 1.84 Å resolution) and one with two copies (form 2, 2.89 Å resolution) (Table EV1). In both crystal forms, key crystal packing interactions are mediated by methylated surface lysine residues (Fig EV3). We have so far been unable to obtain crystals of the complex in the presence of nucleotides or inhibitors.

Mam1^{87–191} adopts a fold with five α -helices and one extended loop (residues 162–191) that packs tightly against Hrr25. The protein possesses only a minimal buried hydrophobic core and is likely dependent on Hrr25 binding to fold properly. Mam1^{87–191} unexpectedly contains a zinc-binding motif that resembles a "zinc knuckle" but with a previously unobserved pattern of zinccoordinating residues. Three of these residues (Cys114, His116, and Cys119) are located in the short loop between α -helices 1 and 2, with the fourth (Cys152) on α -helix 4 (Fig 4C and D). These residues are highly conserved among budding yeast Mam1 orthologs, but are not universally conserved; several species have lost one or more of the zinc-liganding residues (Fig EV1B), suggesting that a bound zinc is not absolutely required for Mam1's structure or activity. We confirmed that the coordinated atom in our structure is in fact zinc using a diffraction dataset collected at zinc's anomalous absorption edge; this map contains large anomalous peaks (~15 σ) at the expected locations (Fig 4D). As with the Hrr25 central domain, structural similarity searches using DALI reveal no similar folds to that of Mam1^{87–191}.

Mam1 forms an extensive interface with the Hrr25 kinase and central domains, burying over 2,700 Å² of surface area per interacting partner. The main interface, between Mam1 and the Hrr25 kinase domain N-lobe, can be broken into two parts, termed interfaces #1 and #2 (Fig 5A). Interface #1 involves hydrophobic residues in Mam1 α-helix 1 inserting into a hydrophobic cavity on the top surface of the Hrr25 kinase domain N-lobe. Mam1 binding imparts significant order to the N-terminal ~5 residues of Hrr25, which are disordered in our other structures. The hydrophobic cavity on Hrr25, which comprises residues Leu3, Val5, Ile11, Tyr24, Leu39, and Tyr77, is conserved and solvent-exposed in other CK1 δ proteins and comprises part of a crystallographic dimer interface observed in several CK18 crystal structures (Longenecker et al, 1996, 1998; Zeringo et al, 2013) (Fig EV4; see Discussion). Interface #1 also involves two conserved polar residues from Mam1, Gln101 and Glu108, forming a hydrogen-bond network with several residues immediately preceding the Hrr25 GxGxxG motif (residues 16-21), including Glv12, Arg13, and Lvs14. Mam1 residue Arg131



Figure 4. Structure of the Hrr25–Mam1 complex.

- A Domain diagram of Saccharomyces cerevisiae Hrr25 (top) and Mam1 (bottom), with a schematic of Mam1 secondary structure. Zinc-coordinating cysteine and histidine residues (Cys114, His116, Cys119, and Cys152) are shown in their approximate locations in the secondary structure (see Fig EV1B for Mam1 sequence alignment).
- B Overall structure of the S. cerevisiae Hrr 25^{1-394} K38R:Mam 1^{87-191} complex, colored as in (A). View is equivalent to Fig 2B.
- C Close-up view of Mam1^{87–191}, colored as in the schematic in (A).
- D Close-up view of the variant zinc knuckle motif of Mam1, with zinc anomalous difference electron density shown at 3 σ (gray) and 10 σ (red).
- E Geometry of zinc binding in Mam1. Zn-S bonds and the Zn-N bond were restrained to ~2.3 Å and ~2.0 Å, respectively, during refinement.

also interacts directly with Hrr25 residues Asp91 and Ile15, bridging the N- and C-lobes of the kinase very near the ATP-binding site. Together, these interactions likely impart additional order onto the Hrr25 N-lobe and particularly the GxGxxG motif that drapes over a bound nucleotide, potentially affecting the kinetics of nucleotide binding and/or release by Hrr25. Mam1:Hrr25 interface #2 borders interface #1 and is anchored by a buried hydrogen-bond network involving two residues in Hrr25, His25 and Glu34, that were previously shown to be involved in Mam1 binding (Petronczki *et al*, 2006). These residues form a buried hydrogen-bond network with Mam1 residues Arg149 and Tyr158 that is surrounded by conserved hydrophobic residues in both proteins (Fig 5C).

To determine the importance of each interface for Mam1–Hrr25 binding, we generated a series of alanine mutants in Mam1 and examined their ability to bind Hrr25 in a pull-down assay (Fig 5D). In interface #1, mutation of the hydrophobic amino acids Leu92, Leu97, Leu100, and Ile104 all disrupted Hrr25 binding. Mutation of the polar amino acids in interface #1 had a more

variable effect: mutation of Glu108 strongly disrupted Hrr25 binding, while mutation of Gln101 weakly disrupted binding and mutation of Arg131 had no effect. In interface #2, mutation of either Mam1 Arg149 or Tyr158 strongly disrupted Hrr25 binding, consistent with the known role of Hrr25 residues His25 and Glu34 (Petronczki et al, 2006). Mutation of the surrounding Mam1 hydrophobic residues Tyr153 and Trp165 also affected Hrr25 binding, although not as strongly as Arg149 and Tyr158 (Fig 5C). To confirm that disrupting the Mam1:Hrr25 interface results in meiotic chromosome segregation defects, we tested spore viability for Mam1 point mutations in interfaces #1 and #2. While the effects were less severe than deleting MAM1 (8.5% viable for $mam1\Delta$ compared to 92% for wild-type; Fig 5D), several mutations showed strong spore viability effects, most notably I104A in interface #1 (58% viable) and R149A in interface #2 (35% viable; Fig 5D). These results suggest that the point mutants tested do not completely disrupt Mam1-Hrr25 binding in vivo, but rather lower the affinity of the interaction by varying degrees.



Figure 5. Two interfaces in the Hrr25:Mam1 complex.

- A The Hrr25:Mam1 complex with Mam1 shown as orange ribbons, and Hrr25 shown as a white surface with Mam1-binding interface #1 shown in green and #2 in magenta.
- B Stereo view of interface #1, which involves hydrophobic interactions by Mam1 L92, L97, L100, and I104, and a hydrogen-bond network between Mam1 Q101/E108/ R131 and Hrr25 residues 12–15.
- C Stereo view of interface #2. Hrr25 residues H25 and E34 participate in a buried hydrogen-bond network with Mam1 residues R149 and Y158 and are surrounded by hydrophobic residues on both proteins. For clarity, Mam1 helix α4, on which R149, Y153, and Y158 are located, is not shown.
- D Pull-down assay with *in vitro*-translated Mam1⁸⁷⁻¹⁹¹ (wild-type and alanine mutants) and Hrr25¹⁻³⁹⁴ K38R. Mam1 mutations also disrupt Hrr25 binding when the two are co-expressed in *Escherichia coli* (Fig EV6B). Bottom: Spore viability of *MAM1* mutant strains (see Table EV2 for strains; strains tested are KC549, KC560, KC566, KC552, KC554, KC5554, KC5554, KC5554, KC5554, KC5554, KC556, and KC558; 46–48 tetrads were dissected for each strain). "-" indicates that this mutation was not tested for spore viability.

Nonetheless, these data strongly support the *in vivo* relevance of our structural findings.

Kinase activity of Hrr25 and Hrr25:Mam1

Our structures showed that Mam1 packs tightly against the N-lobe and central domain of Hrr25, but does not significantly alter Hrr25's conformation. Mam1 binding does, however, significantly rigidify the Hrr25 N-lobe, as judged by crystallographic B-factors in this domain (Figs 6 and EV5). The GxGxxG motif in particular is well ordered in all three crystallographically unique views of the Hrr25: Mam1 structure, despite the lack of bound nucleotide. This loop is disordered in three of our four structures of Hrr25 alone and is only visible in one of the two structures of ADP-bound C. glabrata Hrr25¹⁻⁴⁰³ K38R. These data support the idea that Mam1 binding imparts significant additional order onto Hrr25 and particularly the ATP-binding site, suggesting that Mam1 may directly affect the kinase's activity and/or substrate specificity. Also, we previously showed that co-expression of Mam1 with Hrr25 in E. coli leads to a reduction in its non-specific autophosphorylation activity, suggesting that Mam1 binding directly affects the activity and/or specificity of Hrr25 (Corbett & Harrison, 2012). To more quantitatively examine the effects of Mam1 binding on Hrr25 activity, we next examined Hrr25's kinase activity directly.

To quantitatively study Hrr25 kinase activity *in vitro*, we used a high-throughput ATP hydrolysis assay (ADP-Glo; Promega). Both *S. cerevisiae* Hrr25^{1–394} and the Hrr25^{1–394}:Mam1^{87–191} complex showed low basal ATPase activity that was strongly stimulated by a non-specific substrate protein, bovine casein (Fig 7A). We were unable to purify isolated full-length Hrr25 due to poor expression and solubility, but we could purify full-length Hrr25 in complex with Mam1^{87–191}. This complex showed similar activity to the truncated complex in all assays, indicating that the Hrr25 C-terminal region does not strongly affect *in vitro* activity (Fig 7). Hrr25^{1–394} showed a roughly twofold higher $V_{\rm max}$ than Hrr25^{1–394}: Mam1^{87–191} and also showed a roughly threefold tighter $K_{\rm m}$ for casein (Fig 7A and D). In a second assay, we found that Hrr25^{1–394}:Mam1^{87–191} shows a roughly twofold tighter $K_{\rm m}$ for ATP than Hrr25^{1–394} alone (Fig 7B). Together, these data suggest that Mam1 can alter several aspects of Hrr25's catalytic activity, including its nucleotide binding affinity. The Hrr25^{1–394}:Mam1^{87–191} complex's weaker $K_{\rm m}$ for casein suggests that Mam1 may weaken interactions with non-specific substrates. This idea is supported by our observation (not shown) that Hrr25^{1–394} ATPase activity increases with protein concentration in the absence of casein, suggesting that the kinase can act as a non-specific substrate for itself. This behavior was not observed in the presence of casein and was also not observed for Hrr25^{1–394}:Mam1^{87–191} in either the presence or absence of casein.

Mam1 residue Arg131 is highly conserved in Mam1 proteins and positioned close to the Hrr25 active site, but its mutation does not affect Mam1-Hrr25 binding in vitro or cause spore lethality (Fig 5D). This residue's proximity to the Hrr25 active site suggested a potential direct role in regulating ATP binding or hydrolysis, but we found that the catalytic parameters of Hrr25¹⁻³⁹⁴:Mam1⁸⁷⁻¹⁹¹ R131A were nearly identical to the wildtype complex (Fig 7A and D). We did, however, notice a strong effect on the efficacy of the inhibitor CK1-7. CK1-7 inhibits Hrr25^{1–394} with an IC₅₀ of 37 \pm 5 μ M at 40 μ M ATP (K_i ~19 μ M as calculated using the Cheng-Prusoff approximation; see Materials and Methods), but only very weakly inhibits the Hrr25^{1–394}: $Mam1^{87-191}$ complex (IC₅₀ > 300 μ M; Fig 7C and D). Structural modeling suggests that the aminoethyl group of CK1-7, which extends out of the Hrr25 active site, would clash with Mam1 Arg131 (Fig EV6C). In support of this idea, the Mam1 R131A mutation rescued inhibition by CK1-7, with the mutated complex showing an IC₅₀ of 85 \pm 24 μ M ($K_i \sim$ 27 μ M) (Fig 7C and D).



Figure 6. Mam1 binding restricts Hrr25 N-lobe mobility.

- A–C Ribbon views of the Saccharomyces cerevisiae Hrr25^{1–394}:Mam1^{87–191} structure (form 1), CK1-7 bound S. cerevisiae Hrr25^{1–394}, and ADP-bound C. glabrata Hrr25^{1–403} (formate condition), with Hrr25 colored according to main-chain B-factor from low (purple) to cyan (high). For each, coloring is normalized to correspond to the average of the 20 lowest (purple) or highest (cyan) main-chain B-factors in Hrr25. Mam1 (panel A) is colored in light gray.
- D Overall main-chain B-factors for the N-lobe (residues 1–85) of four structures of Hrr25 (both *C. glabrata* and *S. cerevisiae*) and the three crystallographically unique views of the *S. cerevisiae* Hrr25:Mam1 complex. Values are normalized to the average main-chain B-factor for the entire Hrr25 chain (dotted line at 1.0). *P*-value = 0.004 (Student's t-test) (see Fig EV5 for residue-by-residue B-factor plots for each structure). Error bars represent standard deviation.

Hrr25 phosphorylates Dsn1, the kinetochore receptor for monopolin

Hrr25 has been previously shown to phosphorylate Mam1, and this activity was proposed to regulate monopolin-kinetochore interactions (Petronczki et al, 2006; Corbett & Harrison, 2012). To further investigate the potential regulatory roles of Hrr25 in monopolinkinetochore binding, we tested the activity of Hrr25¹⁻³⁹⁴ and Hrr25¹⁻³⁹⁴:Mam1⁸⁷⁻¹⁹¹ on the purified S. cerevisiae Mtw1 complex, which contains the kinetochore receptor for the monopolin complex, Dsn1. By examining band shifts on a Phos-tag SDS-PAGE gel (Kinoshita et al, 2006), we observed that both Hrr25¹⁻³⁹⁴ and Hrr25^{1–394}:Mam1^{87–191} phosphorylate Dsn1, but not the other subunits of this complex (Fig 8A). In contrast to our findings with bovine casein, the Hrr25¹⁻³⁹⁴:Mam1⁸⁷⁻¹⁹¹ complex was roughly as active as Hrr25¹⁻³⁹⁴ alone when phosphorylating Dsn1. This supports the idea that instead of globally suppressing Hrr25's kinase activity, Mam1 rather alters the kinase's substrate specificity. The observed band shifts are due specifically to phosphorylation by Hrr25, as the shift was eliminated by the addition of CK1-7 (Fig 8A) or alkaline phosphatase (not shown).

Dsn1 contains 576 residues, with a proteolytically sensitive ~220 residue N-terminal domain that is predicted to be mostly disordered (Hornung *et al*, 2011). This region also contains the Csm1-binding site, which spans approximately residues 70–110 (Sarkar *et al*, 2013). Our preparation of the Mtw1 complex contained two major proteolytic degradation products of Dsn1, the smaller of which has previously been shown to lack the N-terminal 171 residues of Dsn1 (Hornung *et al*, 2011). In contrast to the full-length protein, neither proteolytic fragment of Dsn1 was detectably phosphorylated by Hrr25, indicating that the bulk of Hrr25-mediated Dsn1 phosphorylation likely occurs in the disordered N-terminal region (Fig 8A). Due to limited yield and purity of the Mtw1 complex, we have so far been unable to test its ability to stimulate Hrr25 ATPase activity, or determine the sites on Dsn1 that are phosphorylated by Hrr25.

Discussion

Here, we report the structure of budding yeast Hrr25 and its complex with the monopolin subunit Mam1. These reveal close structural similarity to other CK18-family enzymes, including the



Figure 7. Mam1 binding regulates Hrr25 kinase activity.

- A ADP-Glo ATPase assay showing stimulation of *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* Hrr25^{1–394} (blue circles), Hrr25^{1–394} K38R (red diamonds), Hrr25 full-length:Mam1^{87–191} (black triangles), Hrr25^{1–394}:Mam1^{87–191} (orange squares), and Hrr25^{1–394}:Mam1^{87–191} R131A (green triangles) by bovine casein (see Fig EV6A for SDS–PAGE analysis of purified proteins). Error bars represent standard deviation from triplicate measurements.
- B Stimulation of Hrr25¹⁻³⁹⁴, Hrr25¹⁻³⁹⁴:Mam1^{87–191}, and Hrr25¹⁻³⁹⁴:Mam1^{87–191} R131A by ATP, measured using an enzyme-coupled ATPase assay. Error bars represent standard deviation from triplicate measurements.
- C ADP-Glo assay showing the effect of added CK1-7 on Hrr25¹⁻³⁹⁴, Hrr25¹⁻³⁹⁴:Mam1⁸⁷⁻¹⁹¹, and Hrr25¹⁻³⁹⁴:Mam1⁸⁷⁻¹⁹¹ R131A. Error bars represent standard deviation from triplicate measurements.
- D K_{m} , V_{max} , and IC₅₀ values for tested enzymes. V_{max} was calculated from curves in (A) at 100 μ M ATP.



Figure 8. Hrr25 phosphorylates Dsn1.

- A Phos-tag gels showing phosphorylation of purified *S. cerevisiae* Mtw1 complex by Hrr25¹⁻³⁹⁴ and Hrr25¹⁻³⁹⁴:Mam1⁸⁷⁻¹⁹¹. Asterisks denote N-terminal proteolytic cleavage products of Dsn1, with the red asterisk denoting a previously characterized product lacking the first 171 residues (Hornung *et al*, 2011).
- B Model of the intact monopolin complex. Four copies of Csm1 (blue) and two of Lrs4 (green) form the core "V"-shaped kinetochore-binding complex (Corbett *et al*, 2010). Each dimer of Csm1 binds one Mam1 (orange) (Corbett & Harrison, 2012), which in turn recruits one copy of Hrr25 (blue/green). Thirty-one residues of Mam1 (192–222) separate the protein's Hrr25-binding and Csm1-binding domains, which when fully extended could reach as far as ~120 Å.

conservation of two PO_4^- binding sites previously observed in both mammalian CK1 δ and *S. pombe* Cki1. Unique to budding yeast Hrr25, however, is a "central domain" with a novel fold that packs tightly against the kinase domain's C-lobe. The species distribution of this domain suggests that its main function is to cooperate with Mam1 in a monopolin-specific role, likely in regulation and/or localization of Hrr25's kinase activity. A recent report has implicated this domain in its localization to P-bodies, however, suggesting that the domain may also play a role in Hrr25 localization outside the context of monopolin (Zhang *et al*, 2016).

Mam1 adopts a novel fold anchored by a variant zinc knuckle motif, and forms an extensive interface with the Hrr25 N-lobe, C-lobe, and central domain. The most significant effect of Mam1 on Hrr25 structure is the evident suppression of conformational dynamics in the Hrr25 N-lobe and especially the GxGxxG motif that participates in nucleotide binding. Our biochemical analysis shows that Mam1 binding reduces the K_{cat} of Hrr25 by about half and also induces a tighter K_m for ATP, both effects that are consistent with suppressed dynamics in the Hrr25 N-lobe. The Hrr25:Mam1 complex's lowered affinity for a non-specific substrate (bovine casein) suggests a role for Mam1 in regulating substrate recognition, but confirmation of this idea will require quantitative characterization of Hrr25's activity on a *bona fide* monopolin-specific substrate. As Hrr25 is involved in a large number of distinct signaling pathways in budding yeast, it will also be important to determine whether Mam1's mode of Hrr25 recruitment and regulation is unique, or rather represents a mechanism shared by other pathways in budding yeast.

The Hrr25:Mam1 interface further provides a clue to how CK1δfamily kinases may be regulated more globally. Hrr25:Mam1 interface #1 involves an α-helix from Mam1 docking into a hydrophobic cavity on the Hrr25 N-lobe. The residues within this cavity are highly conserved and consistently hydrophobic throughout the CK1 kinase family, but are typically hydrophilic or charged in other kinase families (Fig EV4). In addition, the same surface is involved in formation of a crystallographic dimer that has been observed in three different crystal forms of mammalian $CK1\delta$ and has been proposed to represent an autoinhibited state (Longenecker et al, 1996, 1998; Zeringo *et al*, 2013). In this dimer, an α -helix from the CK18 C-lobe docks onto the hydrophobic cavity in a neighboring CK1δ N-lobe, in a manner analogous to Mam1 α-helix 1 in our structure (Fig EV4). This common interface suggests one of two possibilities, both of which implicate this surface as an important regulatory element: first, CK1 kinases may share a mechanism for autoinhibition through dimerization. Second, and more intriguingly, the hydrophobic cavity on the CK18 N-lobe may be a conserved site of recruiter/regulator binding. In this context, the CK18 dimer structures may represent fortuitous interactions that utilize a conserved, solvent-exposed hydrophobic surface.

The structure of the Hrr25:Mam1 complex represents the final element necessary for a complete structural model of the budding yeast monopolin complex (Fig 8B). Our earlier structures showed that Csm1 and Lrs4 form a "V"-shaped complex with at least two binding sites for Dsn1 (Corbett et al, 2010). The C-terminal domain of Mam1 (residues 223-263 of 302) wraps around the Csm1 C-terminal domains on each head of the "V", close to the Dsn1binding surface (Corbett & Harrison, 2012). Our current structure shows that Mam1 residues 87-191 form a folded domain that tethers Hrr25, and sequence alignments/structure predictions indicate that the 31 residues of Mam1 between its Csm1- and Hrr25-binding regions likely constitute a disordered linker. While the sequence of this region is highly variable, its length is remarkably consistent among Mam1 orthologs (not shown). If completely extended (3.8 Å per residue), this disordered linker region could stretch only to ~120 Å, implying that Hrr25 kinase activity is tightly constrained around the monopolin complex's kinetochore-binding site. The consistent length of this region in different Mam1 orthologs also suggests that Hrr25's "range" when bound to kinetochores is functionally important.

How could highly localized Hrr25 kinase activity contribute to sister kinetochore cross-linking specificity? A yeast kinetochore contains between 8 and 20 copies of Dsn1 (Joglekar *et al*, 2006; Lawrimore *et al*, 2011), and each Dsn1 contains a binding site for

Csm1 in its disordered N-terminal region (Sarkar et al, 2013). In order to cross-link two kinetochores, a single monopolin complex must bind at least one Dsn1 from each of two separate kinetochores, rather than binding multiple copies of Dsn1 within a single kinetochore. Given the structure of the complex, with two Csm1 dimer "heads" separated by ~10 nm (Corbett et al, 2010), the most likely scenario is that each head binds Dsn1 from a different kinetochore. We propose that Hrr25's kinase activity is important to suppress binding of the second Csm1 dimer head to the same kinetochore as the first head is bound. This suppression is likely achieved through phosphorylation of Mam1 and/or Dsn1, which could modulate, either positively or negatively, their affinity for Csm1 (Corbett & Harrison, 2012). Because sister chromosomes are physically linked through cohesin complexes, pairs of kinetochores that approach one another closely enough to be bound by the two heads of monopolin are overwhelmingly likely to be sisters, meaning that even nonspecific kinetochore cross-linking would mostly occur between sisters. A role for Hrr25 in suppressing intrakinetochore binding of the two monopolin heads is consistent with evidence implicating Hrr25 in negative regulation of monopolin-kinetochore binding (Petronczki et al, 2006; Corbett & Harrison, 2012) and could also explain the very low stoichiometry of the monopolin complex in purified meiotic kinetochore samples (Sarangapani et al, 2014). A more detailed analysis of the interactions between Csm1 and Dsn1, and the roles of Mam1 and Hrr25 in modulating these interactions, will be required to fully understand the mechanism of sister kinetochore co-orientation by the monopolin complex.

Materials and Methods

Sequence alignments

For sequence alignments, fungal orthologs of *S. cerevisiae* Hrr25 and Mam1 were identified by PSI-BLAST, then aligned with MAFFT (Katoh & Standley, 2013) in JalView (Waterhouse *et al*, 2009). An unrooted phylogenetic tree for Hrr25 was calculated in JalView and visualized using the Drawtree module of the PHYLIP package (Felsenstein, 2013).

Cloning and protein purification

Saccharomyces cerevisiae Hrr25¹⁻³⁹⁴ and C. glabrata Hrr25¹⁻⁴⁰³ proteins were cloned from genomic DNA into pET-based vectors with N-terminal, TEV protease-cleavable His₆ tags; then, kinasedead K38R variants were cloned using site-directed mutagenesis. For co-expression of Hrr25¹⁻³⁹⁴ (wild type or K38R) with Mam1⁸⁷⁻¹⁹¹, a polycistronic expression cassette was assembled by PCR, with Hrr25 tagged with an N-terminal, TEV protease-cleavable His₆ tag. Proteins were expressed in E. coli strain Rosetta2(DE3)pLysS (EMD Millipore) transformed with a pCDFDuet vector encoding λ -phosphatase (kindly provided by A. Motamedi); expression was induced with IPTG for 16-20 h at 20°C. For S. cerevisiae Mtw1 complex, the four proteins (Mtw1, Nnf1, Nsl1 and Dsn1) were sequentially cloned into a polycistronic expression plasmid (Tan, 2001) with Dsn1 fused to an N-terminal, TEV protease-cleavable His₆ tag and expressed in E. coli Rosetta2(DE3)pLysS using autoinducing media (Studier, 2005). Proteins were purified by Ni²⁺-affinity (Ni-NTA; Qiagen) and ion-exchange (Hitrap SP HPor Hitrap Q HP; GE Healthcare) chromatography; then, His_{6} -tags were cleaved by incubation with TEV protease (Kapust *et al*, 2001) at 4°C overnight, and the proteins were further purified by gel filtration (Superdex 200; GE Healthcare). Proteins were concentrated and stored at 4°C for crystallization, or at -80°C for biochemical assays.

Crystallization and structure determination

For crystallization, S. cerevisiae Hrr25^{1–394} K38R was concentrated to 10 mg/ml and exchanged into a buffer containing 20 mM HEPES pH 7.5, 0.3 M NaCl, 1 mM DTT, 5 mM MgCl₂, and 1 mM EDTA. The protein was mixed 1:1 in hanging-drop format with well solution containing 0.1 M CAPS pH 11, 0.2 M lithium sulfate, and 1.5-1.6 M ammonium sulfate. Football-shaped crystals (~100 \times 100 \times 200 μm) were cryoprotected by the addition of 25% glycerol and flash-frozen in liquid nitrogen. Candida glabrata Hrr25¹⁻⁴⁰³ K38R was concentrated to 12 mg/ml and exchanged into a buffer containing 20 mM HEPES pH 7.5, 0.3 M NaCl, 1 mM DTT, 5 mM MgCl₂, and 1 mM EDTA. For crystals of the ADP-bound form, the protein was mixed 1:1 in hanging-drop format with well solution containing 0.1 M Bis-Tris pH 6.5, 0.2 M lithium sulfate, 19% PEG 3350, and 5 mM TCEP. Crystals (oval-shaped plates ${\sim}300 \times 700 \times 40 \ \mu\text{m})$ were cryoprotected by the addition of 10% glycerol and flash-frozen in liquid nitrogen. For crystals grown with formate, lithium sulfate was replaced with 0.2 M sodium formate. For crystals of the Apo form, the protein was mixed 1:1 in hangingdrop format with well solution containing 0.1 M CAPS pH 10.5, 0.2 M lithium sulfate, 0.56 M NaH₂PO₄, and 0.66 M K₂HPO₄. Crystals (triangular plates $\sim 30 \times 50 \times 5 \mu m$) were cryoprotected by addition of 25% glycerol and flash-frozen in liquid nitrogen.

For crystallization of S. cerevisiae Hrr25¹⁻³⁹⁴ K38R:Mam1⁸⁷⁻¹⁹¹, purified protein at 0.5 mg/ml was subjected to reductive dimethylation of surface lysine residues by incubation (2 h, 4°C) with 50 mM borane dimethylamine complex and 0.1 M formaldehyde (Sigma-Aldrich), followed by quenching with 25 mM glycine. Methylated protein was exchanged into a buffer containing 20 mM HEPES pH 7.5, 0.3 M NaCl, 1 mM DTT, 5 mM MgCl₂, and 1 mM EDTA, concentrated to 10 mg/ml, and crystallized in hanging-drop format by mixing 1:1 with well solution. There are two crystal forms. For form 1 crystals, well solution contained 0.1 M CHES pH 8.9, 5% Tacsimate, 25 mM YCl₃, and 19% PEG 3350. Needle-shaped crystals (~300 \times 40 \times 40 $\mu m)$ were cryoprotected with the addition of 15% glycerol and flash-frozen in liquid nitrogen. For form 2 crystals, well solution contained 0.1 M imidazole pH 8.0, 14% PEG 3350, and 6% glycerol. Crystals (arrow-shaped plates, ~300 \times 100 \times 10 $\mu m)$ were cryoprotected with the addition of 15% glycerol and flash-frozen in liquid nitrogen.

Datasets for *S. cerevisiae* Hrr25^{1–394} K38R and *C. glabrata* Hrr25^{1–403} K38R were collected on beamline 24-ID-E at the Advanced Photon Source at Argonne National Laboratory, datasets for *S. cerevisiae* Hrr25^{1–394} K38R:Mam1^{87–191} form 1 crystals were collected on NE-CAT beamline 24-ID-C at the Advanced Photon Source at Argonne National Laboratory, and datasets for *S. cerevisiae* Hrr25^{1–394} K38R:Mam1^{87–191} form 2 crystals were collected on beamline 12.3.1 at the Advanced Light Source at Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory. The structure of *C. glabrata* Hrr25^{1–403} ADP was determined by single-wavelength anomalous diffraction (SAD)

phasing using a 2.5 Å dataset collected from a crystal grown from selenomethionine-derivatized protein. Phasing was carried out using an automated protocol (NE-CAT RAPD; Frank Murphy) incorporating SHELXC/D/E (Sheldrick, 2010) for site identification followed by PHASER (McCoy et al, 2007) for SAD phasing. An initial model built by RESOLVE allowed us to dock a model of S. pombe CK1 (PDB ID 1CSN) (Xu et al, 1995) into the density. This model was iteratively rebuilt in COOT (Emsley et al, 2010) and refined against a 2.0 Å native dataset using phenix.refine (Adams et al, 2010), then used as a starting point for rebuilding and refinement of the C. glabrata Hrr25^{1–403} K38R Apo model. A consistent free-R set was used for refinement of the two structures of C. glabrata Hrr25¹⁻⁴⁰³ K38R. The C. glabrata model was then used for molecular replacement in PHASER to determine the S. cerevisiae Hrr251-394 K38R·CK1-7 structure. All Hrr25 models were refined in phenix.refine using positional, B-factor, and TLS refinement and have good R-factors and stereochemical parameters (Table EV1). For S. cerevisiae Hrr25¹⁻³⁹⁴ K38R:Mam1⁸⁷⁻¹⁹¹, the structure of S. cerevisiae Hrr25¹⁻³⁹⁴ K38R was used as a molecular-replacement model to generate initial phases. The Mam1 model was iteratively rebuilt in COOT and refined using phenix.refine. The location and identity of the Mam1-bound Zn2+ ion was confirmed with an anomalous difference map generated from a form 2 dataset collected just above the zinc K-edge (9964 eV/1.2829 Å) (Fig 4D). Original diffraction data for all structures are deposited at the SBGrid Data Bank, and refined structure factors and coordinates are deposited at the RCSB Protein Data Bank (see Table EV1 for accession numbers).

Kinase assays

Kinase assays were performed using the ADP-Glo kinase assay kit (Promega), or an enzyme-coupled assay, as indicated. All reactions were performed in kinase buffer (20 mM HEPES pH 7.5, 200 mM NaCl, 5% glycerol, 2 mM MgCl₂, and 1 mM DTT) supplemented with ATP and dephosphorylated bovine casein (Sigma) as indicated. For casein titration, [ATP] was 100 µM; for ATP titration, [casein] was 500 µg/ml; and for inhibition by CK1-7, [ATP] was 40 µM and [casein] was 100 µg/ml. For ADP-Glo assays, reactions were performed for 60 min at 30°C. Enzyme-coupled assays were performed essentially as described (Ye et al, 2015), in kinase buffer supplemented with 3 mM phosphoenolpyruvate, 20 U/ml lactate dehydrogenase (Sigma), 20 U/ml pyruvate kinase (Sigma), and 0.3 mM NADH. Enzyme-coupled assays were performed at 28°C. Both luminescence and absorbance measurements were taken with a TECAN Infinite M1000 spectrophotometer (Mannedorf) in 384well microplates. All data analysis was performed with PRISM v. 6 (GraphPad Software). Ki values were calculated using the Cheng-Prusoff equation: $K_i = IC_{50}/(([S]/K_m)+1)$ (Cheng & Prusoff, 1973).

For tests with purified *S. cerevisiae* Mtw1 complex, 9.2 μ g (84 pM) of Mtw1 complex (purified as previously described) (Corbett *et al*, 2010) was incubated with Hrr25^{1–394} or Hrr25^{1–394}: Mam1^{87–191} (16.8, 8.4, or 4.2 pM; 5×, 10×, or 20× less kinase than substrate) in 20 μ l reactions in kinase buffer (20 mM Tris–HCl pH 7.5, 300 mM NaCl, 10% glycerol, 1 mM DTT, 2 mM EDTA, 10 mM MgCl₂, and 5 mM ATP) for 30 min at 20°C. Samples were run on a 10% polyacrylamide Phos-tag gel (Kinoshita *et al*, 2006) and visualized by Coomassie staining. For inhibition by CK1-7, 1 mM CK1-7 was added at the start of the incubation.

In vitro translation and pull-down assays

In vitro translation of MBP-fused S. cerevisiae Mam1^{87–191} fragments and pull-down assays with His-MBP-Hrr25¹⁻³⁹⁴ K38R were performed as previously described (Corbett & Harrison, 2012). Prey constructs (Mam1⁸⁷⁻¹⁹¹ and mutants) were cloned into a plasmid with a T7 promoter, leading Kozak sequence, and an N-terminal MBP-fusion, and translated using a TNT T7 Transcription/Translation kit (Promega) with ³⁵S-methionine. Ten micrograms of purified bait protein (His-MBP-Hrr25¹⁻³⁹⁴ K38R) was incubated with 10 µl of the translation reaction in binding buffer (20 mM HEPES, pH 7.5, 150 mM NaCl, 20 mM imidazole, 5% glycerol, 1 mM dithiothreitol (DTT), and 0.1% NP-40) for 90 min at 4°C, then 15 μl Ni-NTA beads were added, and the mixture was incubated for further 45 min. Beads were washed three times with 0.5 ml buffer, then eluted with 25 μ l elution buffer (2× SDS-PAGE loading dye plus 400 mM imidazole) and boiled. Samples were run on SDS-PAGE; then, the gel was dried and scanned with a phosphorimager.

Yeast strains and sporulation

Wild-type *S. cerevisiae* SK1 strains (A4841, A4842) were generously provided by A. Amon. Mutant strains were generated with PCR-based methods as described (Longtine *et al*, 1998). The *natMX4* selection marker was derived from plasmid pAG25 (Goldstein & McCusker, 1999). For spore viability, cells were grown on YPD agar and then patched onto SPO medium (1% KOAc) for 48–72 h. About 46–48 tetrads were dissected for each strain. Yeast strain genotypes can be found in Table EV2.

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