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### Software and code

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#### Data collection

Imaging was performed using a wide-field Leica DMI6000B-AFC microscope with 100X objective (HC PL APO 100x/1.44NA OIL), X-Cite XLED1 illumination, and an ORCA FLAH 4.0 CMOS camera. Metamorph Microscopy Automation and Image Analysis Software (Molecular Devices) was used for image acquisition and the multi-dimensional acquisition function was used to standardized settings for all images gathered in each independent experiment. For slide scan analysis, an automated stage was used to image the total area of each coverslip. Densitometry measurements were performed on autoradiographs using the Fiji distribution of ImageJ. DNA concentrations were determined using a ThermoFisher Scientific NanoDrop 8000. Lucia luciferase was detected with Quanti-Luc (InvivoGen) on a FluostarOMEGA Plate Reader (BMG LABTECH). Fluorescence readings for ROS and Lactate assays were measured on a FluostarOMEGA Plate Reader (BMG LABTECH). OCR and ECAR assays were performed on Seahorse XF96 PDL Cell Culture Microplates using the Seahorse XFe96 Analyzer.

#### Data analysis

Microscopy image analysis and processing was done using Metamorph Microscopy Automation and Image Analysis Software (Molecular Devices) and figures were compiled using the Fiji distribution of ImageJ. After collection, slide scan images were then entered into CellProfiler Image Analysis Software using the indicated stains as object identifiers. Mean intensity measurements were used to analyze the data generated and for graphical representation with GraphPad Prism (version 9.0, GraphPad Software Inc.).

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| Reporting on sex and gender  | N/A |
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| Population characteristics   | N/A |
| Recruitment  | N/A |
| Ethics oversight   | N/A |

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## Life sciences study design

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| Sample size     | No sample size calculations were performed. Sample size was determined based on commonly used standards for cell biology and sufficient to determine statistical significance. Samples were collected from at least 3 biological replicates. For imaging experiments, the number of cells analyzed was dependent on the number acquired during automated slide scanning and normally involves thousands of cells per sample, performed over at least 3 biological replicate experiments. |
| Data exclusions | No data exclusion was used.  |
| Replication     | Data is representative of at least 3 or more biological replicates, and replicate numbers are indicated for each experiments in their corresponding figure legends.  |
| Randomization   | Randomization of fields of view and sample sizes is inherently part of automated image analysis. For all other assays, randomization was not necessary as they involved precise measurements of individual samples.  |
| Blinding        | Blinding is inherent to automated image analysis. For all other assays, blinding was not necessary as they involved objective and precise measurements of individual samples.  |

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## Methods

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## Antibodies

## Antibodies used

Primary antibodies used in this study were obtained from the following sources:

Rabbit anti-Raptor, Cell Signaling Technology, Cat# 2280  
 Rabbit anti-cGAS, Cell Signaling Technology, Cat# 15102  
 Rabbit anti-cGAS, PROTEINTECH, Cat# 26416-1-AP  
 Rabbit anti-MxA, Cell Signaling Technology, Cat# 37849  
 Rabbit anti-MxB, PROTEINTECH, Cat# 13278-1-AP  
 Rabbit anti-MxB, NOVUS BIOLOGICALS, Cat# NBP1-81018  
 Rabbit anti-ISG56, Cell Signaling Technology, Cat# 14769  
 Rabbit anti-ISG54, PROTEINTECH, Cat# 12604-1-AP  
 Sheep anti-TGN46, Bio-Rad, Cat# AHP500  
 Mouse anti-Flag M2, MilliporeSigma, Cat# F1804  
 Rabbit anti-Lamin A/C, PROTEINTECH, Cat# 10298-1-AP  
 Rabbit anti-FIS1, PROTEINTECH, Cat# 10956-1-AP  
 Rabbit anti-ATP5a1, PROTEINTECH, Cat# 14676-1-AP  
 Mouse anti-DNA, MilliporeSigma, Cat# CBL186  
 Rabbit anti-Pink1, Abcam, Cat# ab216144  
 Rabbit anti-PARK2/Parkin, PROTEINTECH, Cat# 14060-1-AP  
 Rabbit anti-Mitofusin-1, Cell Signaling Technology, Cat# 14739  
 Rabbit anti-Mitofusin-2, Cell Signaling Technology, Cat# 9482  
 Rabbit anti-VDAC1/2, PROTEINTECH, Cat# 10866-1-AP  
 Mouse anti- $\beta$ -Actin, Cell Signaling Technology, Cat# 3700  
 Rabbit anti-CytB, PROTEINTECH, Cat# 55090-1-AP  
 Rabbit anti-TFAM, PROTEINTECH, Cat# 22586-1-AP  
 Rabbit anti-PARP, Cell Signaling Technology, Cat# 9542  
 Rabbit anti-Cleaved Caspase-3 (Asp175), Cell Signaling Technology, Cat #9661  
 Rabbit anti-VacV F17 was raised against full length purified F17 protein by ABclonal, USA  
 Mouse anti-VacV I3 was a kind gift of Dr. David Evans  
 Mouse anti-VacV E3 was a kind gift of Dr. Jingxin Cao  
 Mouse anti-VacV D8 was a kind gift of Dr Paula Traktman  
 Mouse anti-VacV A14 was a kind gift of Dr. Yan Xiang

Secondary antibodies used in this study were obtained from the following sources;

Anti-Mouse IgG, HRP, Millipore Sigma, Cat# NA931V  
 Anti-Rabbit IgG, HRP, Millipore Sigma, Cat# NA934V  
 Donkey Anti-Mouse secondary Alexa 488, Thermo Fisher Cat# A21202  
 Donkey Anti-Mouse secondary Alexa 555, Thermo Fisher Cat# A31570  
 Donkey Anti-Mouse secondary Alexa 647, Thermo Fisher Cat# A31571  
 Donkey Anti-Rabbit secondary Alexa 488, Thermo Fisher Cat# A21206  
 Donkey Anti-Rabbit secondary Alexa 555, Thermo Fisher Cat# A31572  
 Donkey Anti-Rabbit secondary Alexa 647, Thermo Fisher Cat# A31573  
 Donkey Anti-Sheep secondary Alexa 488, Thermo Fisher Cat# A11015  
 Donkey Anti-Sheep secondary Alexa 555, Thermo Fisher Cat# A21436

## Validation

Vendor validation information is available online for the following antibodies:

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 Rabbit anti-ATP5a1, PROTEINTECH, Cat# 14676-1-AP  
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Additional validation of antibodies is shown in this manuscript as follows:

Validation of MFN1 and cGAS antibodies was performed using siRNA- or CRISPR-mediated mRNA/gene depletion.

Specificity of PARP-1 and Caspase-3 antibodies was further validated by inducing apoptosis in cells using cycloheximide.

Staining specificity of golgi, nuclear and mitochondrial antibodies were validated by their expected localization and cellular fractionation patterns.

Validation of antibodies against ISGs was confirmed by their induction upon iF17 infection and by failure of their induction in cGAS Knockout cells. Further validation of ISG antibody specificity using IFN treatment was shown previously in Meade et al, Cell, 2018.

In the case of antibodies against viral proteins, namely F17 antibody that was generated in-house and gifted antibodies against E3, I3, D8 and A14, specificity was validated through the absence of antigen signal in uninfected cells.

## Eukaryotic cell lines

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| Cell line source(s)   | Primary Normal Human Dermal Fibroblasts (NHDFs) isolated from male neonatal foreskin were purchased from Lonza (Cat# CC-2509). Male-derived THP1 Dual reporter cells were obtained from Invivogen (Cat# thpd-nfis; Cat# thpd-kocgas). Female-derived HEK293T Cells were obtained from the ATCC. Female African green monkey BSC-40 cells were a gift of Dr. Ian Mohr, NYU School of Medicine, New York, USA.   |
| Authentication  | All cell types used for primary studies were authenticated by the manufacturer. Cell types used to generate viral stocks, namely HEK293A cells or BSC-40 cells were validated by the original supplier. Tissue culture practices are used that prevent cross-contamination of cell lines and no further authentication was performed in-house (although routine genomic and proteomic experiments align with their original authentication). No commonly misidentified cell lines were used in this study. |
| Mycoplasma contamination  | All cell cultures were routinely screened and verified to be free of mycoplasma using DNA staining and imaging, as well as regular testing using commercial mycoplasma test kits.  |
| Commonly misidentified lines (See <a href="#">ICLAC</a> register) | N/A  |