Supplementary Information

Supplementary Figures



Supplementary Figure 1. Isolated old cells show increasing bud scars and rDNA copy numbers, but no change in *SIR2* expression levels.

(a) An example of age distribution of isolated young and old cells from four rounds of progressive sorting. Bud scars were stained with Calcofluor and visualized by fluorescence microscopy. At least 50 cells from each fraction were counted for total number of bud scars. (b) Total genomic DNA was purified from whole cell extracts and copy number was quantified by real-time PCR with primers specific to *ACT1* gene, an intergenic region on Chromosome V (*IntV*), non-transcribed region *NTS2* and *RDN58* gene on rDNA repeat. All signals were normalized to that of *ACT1* gene and then to young cell levels. (c) Quantitative real-time PCR analysis of mRNA expression levels for *SAS2* and *SIR2* in young and old cells of strain BY4741. Real-time PCR primers are listed in Supplementary Table 4. Signals were normalized to *ACT1* levels. Average bud scar counts are indicated in parenthesis.



Supplementary Figure 2. Examples of other histone modifications remaining unchanged in old cells.

Samples as in Fig. 1a were analyzed with other antibodies with details listed in Supplementary

Table 3. Average bud scar counts are indicated in parenthesis.



Supplementary Figure 3. Specificity of key antibodies used in this study.

(a) Left: Whole cell extracts from strains carrying WT histone H4, H4K16A, H4K16R, or H4K16Q plasmids were analyzed by western blot and probed with antibodies against H4K16ac and H4. Right: H4 N-terminal peptide containing the first 30 amino acids (unmod) and corresponding K16 acetylated (H4K16ac) peptides were dot-blotted onto a PVDF membrane with the indicated amount and probed with H4K16ac and H4 antibodies. (b) Whole cell extracts from strains carrying WT H3 or H3K56R plasmids were analyzed by western blot and probed with antibodies against H3K56ac and Sir2. (c) Whole cell extracts from strains carrying WT H3 or H3K9R plasmids were analyzed by western blot and probed with antibodies against H3K9ac and histone H3. (d) Whole cell extracts from WT (BY4741) or *sir2\Delta* strains were analyzed by western blot and probed with antibodies against Sir2 and H4.



Supplementary Figure 4. *ura3*△ old cells are not sensitive to 5-FOA.

Identical silencing assay as in Fig. 2b for young and old cells of strains containing $ura3\Delta$. The extent of silencing is expressed as the fraction of cells resistant to 5-FOA (n=3). Average bud scar counts are listed for the old cell samples. Error bars show standard deviations.



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Supplementary Figure 5. Localized changes of H4K16 acetylation and histone levels when Sir2 is lost or inhibited.

Chromatin Immunoprecipitation was performed for wild-type (BY4741) and *sir2* Δ cells (n=3) with antibodies against (a) H4K16ac and (b) histone H4. Fold changes for *sir2* Δ compared to wild-type are indicated above the bars. The same analysis was carried out for wild-type (BY4741) cells with (WT+NAM) or without (WT-NAM) treatment of 5 mM nicotinamide (NAM) and *sir2* Δ cells with 5 mM nicotinamide (*sir2* Δ +NAM) (n=3) with antibodies against (c) H4K16ac and (d) histone H4. Fold changes for WT+NAM compared to WT-NAM are indicated above the bars. (e) Chromatin Immunoprecipitation was performed for wild-type (BY4741) cells with (WT+NAM) and without (WT-NAM) treatment of 5 mM nicotinamide (*n=3*) with antibodies against Sir2. The primer sets are shown in Fig. 1b. All error bars show standard deviations.



Supplementary Figure 6. Mutations of H4K16 does not affect availability of Sir2.

Western analysis with antibodies against Sir2 and H3 for cells bearing WT histone H4, H4K16R,

or H4K16Q plasmids.



Supplementary Figure 7. H4K16Q mutation displaces Sir2 from its binding sites.

Chromatin Immunoprecipitation was performed for strains carrying WT histone H4, H4K16R, or H4K16Q plasmids with antibodies against Sir2 and analyzed by real-time PCR with primers shown in Fig. 1b.



Supplementary Figure 8. H3K9 mutations do not significantly affect the replicative lifespan. Replicative lifespan analysis for strains carrying WT histone H3, H3K9R, or H3K9Q plasmids with MLS in parenthesis.



Supplementary Figure 9. Replicative lifespan for *HST3* or *HST4* deletion strains.

Replicative lifespan analysis for yeast strains WT (*MATa* 140 cells, *MATa* 40 cells), *hst3* Δ (*MATa* 120 cells, *MATa* 40 cells), *hst4* Δ (*MATa* 120 cells, *MATa* 40 cells), and *hst3* Δ *hst4* Δ (*MATa* 119 cells) with mean lifespan in parenthesis. The p-values for *hst3* Δ , *hst4* Δ , and *hst3* Δ *hst4* Δ compared to WT were 1.8×10⁻²⁶, 1.2×10⁻⁵, 1.0×10⁻⁵², respectively.



Supplementary Figure 10. Both R and Q mutations to H3K56 result in sensitivity to DNA

damaging agents.

Strains bearing wild-type or mutant histone H3-H4 plasmids were 10-fold serial-diluted and plated on YPD, YPD containing 0.02% MMS, and YPD containing 0.02% H₂O₂.





ChIP analysis for wild-type, $sir2\Delta$, and $sgs1\Delta$ cells with antibodies against H4K16ac (a) and H4 (b). Error bars show standard deviations (n=3).



Supplementary Figure 12. Replicative lifespan for H4K16 mutants in *sgs1* Δ background. Replicative lifespan analysis for yeast strains containing integrated WT histone H4, H4K16R, or H4K16Q in *sgs1* Δ backgrounds with mean lifespan in parenthesis (n=24, each). The p-values for *sgs1* Δ +H4K16R and *sgs1* Δ +H4K16Q compared to *sgs1* Δ +H4WT were 7.6×10⁻³ and 1.7×10⁻³, respectively.

Supplementary Tables

TEL-X Other Sir2 ACT1 H4K16ac, Old/Young 3.08 ± 0.44 2.49 ± 0.21 1.96 3.53 ± 0.69 H3, Young/Old 6.52±1.07 3.30 H4, Young/Old 5.67±0.79 3.95 ± 1.46 4.47

13.71±2.28

12.27±3.44

2.09

Supplementary Table 1. H4K16ac and histone occupancy change more dramatically at X

elements of telomeres in old cells.

Sir2, Young/Old

ChIP analysis with primers for XC and XR elements of telomeres TEL5R, TEL6L, TEL6R, TEL7L, TEL9L, TEL9R, TEL10R, TEL11L, and TEL15R, as well as other Sir2 sites (NTS2, RDN58, and HMLa1) and ACT1 control, using another set of age-sorted cells with average bud scar counts of 0.5 for young and 18.6 for old cells. Average fold changes between young and old cells are shown with margins estimated with 90% confidence intervals.

Strain Name	Genotype	Source	Note
Figure 1a			
W1588-4C	MATa RAD5 leu2-3,112 trp1-1 can1-100 ura3-1 ade2-1 his3-	R.	W303 with
	11,15	Rothstein	RAD5
Figure 1c			
BY4741	MATa his 3Δ 1 leu 2Δ 0 met 15Δ 0 ura 3Δ 0	Invitrogen	
Figure 2b			
FEP100-10	MATa leu $2\Delta 1$ ura $3-52$ can $1-1$ ade 2Δ , URA 3 TELXIL position 1	Ref. 26	
FEP180	MATa ura $3\Delta 851$ leu $2\Delta 1$ his $3\Delta 200$ lys $2\Delta 202$ URA 3 _TELXIL	Ref. 26	
	position 2		
FEP184	MATa ura $3\Delta 851$ leu $2\Delta 1$ his $3\Delta 200$ lys $2\Delta 202$ URA3_TELXIL position 3	Ref. 26	
FEP193	MATa ura $3\Delta 851$ leu $2\Delta 1$ his $3\Delta 200$ lys $2\Delta 202$ URA 3 _TELXIL	Ref. 26	
	$position 4$ $MAT_{max} = 2.49511m + 2.411m + 2.42001m + 2.42021m + 2.7511m + 1.5121m + 2.5121m + 2.5121m$	D.f. 26	
FEP210b	$MATa uras \Delta 851 teu 2\Delta 1 ms 3\Delta 200 ty s 2\Delta 202 URAS_1ELXIL$	Ref. 26	
F'	position 5		
Figure 3a			
BY4741 DX4742	See Figure 1c	T	
BY4/42	$MAT\alpha$ his $3\Delta T$ leu $2\Delta 0$ lys $2\Delta 0$ ura $3\Delta 0$	Invitrogen	
YK06568	$BY4/41 sas2\Delta$::kanMX4	Invitrogen	
<u>YK016568</u>	$BY4/42 sas2\Delta$::kanMX4	Invitrogen	
Figure 3b			
BY4741	See Figure 1c		
YWD250	BY4741 sas2 Δ ::kanMX4	This work	
YWD400	BY4741 <i>LEU2::SIR2</i>	This work	
YWD450	BY4741 <i>LEU2::SIR2 sas2A</i> ::kanMX4	This work	
Figure 3cdef			
BY4741	See Figure 1c		
YWD250	See Figure 3b		
Figure 4ab			
YWD120	MATa his3-200 leu2∆1 ura3-52 trp1∆63 lys2-128 (hht1-	This work	From
	hhf1) <i>Δ</i> ::LEU2 (hht2-hhf2) <i>Δ</i> ::HIS3 pRM204[CEN TRP1 HHT2-		FY1716
	HHF2]		
YWD123	MATa his3-200 leu2∆1 ura3-52 trp1∆63 lys2-128 (hht1-	This work	From
	hhf1)A::LEU2 (hht2-hhf2)A::HIS3 pWD23[HHT2-hhf2(K16R)		FY1716
	TRP1 CEN]		
YWD125	MATa his3-200 leu2∆1 ura3-52 trp1∆63 lys2-128 (hht1-	This work	From
	hhf1)A::LEU2 (hht2-hhf2)A::HIS3 pWD25[HHT2-hhf2(K16Q)		FY1716
	TRP1 CEN]		

Supplementary Table 2. List of strains used in this study.

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Strain Name	Genotype	Source	Note
Figure 4c			
YWD120	See Figure 4ab		
YWD156	MATa his3-200 leu2∆1 ura3-52 trp1∆63 lys2-128 (hht1-	This work	From
	hhf1) <i>Δ</i> ::LEU2 (hht2-hhf2) <i>Δ</i> ::HIS3 pWD43[hht2(K56R)-HHF2,		FY1716
	TRP1, CEN]		
YWD157	MATa his3-200 leu2∆1 ura3-52 trp1∆63 lys2-128 (hht1-	This work	From
	$hhf1)\Delta$::LEU2 (hht2-hhf2) Δ ::HIS3 pWD45[hht2(K56Q)-HHF2,		FY1716
	TRP1, CEN]		
Figure 4d			
BY4741	See Figure 1c		
BY4742	See Figure 3a		
YKO1490	ВY4741 rtt109Д::kanMX4	Invitrogen	
YKO11490	BY4742 rtt1091::kanMX4	Invitrogen	
Figure 5a			
YWD1000	MATa his3-200 leu2∆1 ura3-52 trp1∆63 lys2-128 (hht1-	This work	From
	hhfl)A::LEU2		FY1716
YWD1116	YWD1000 <i>HHT2-hhf2(K16R)</i>	This work	
YWD1117	YWD1000 HHT2-hhf2(K16Q)	This work	
YWD1200	YWD1000 sir2∆::kanMX4	This work	
YWD1276	YWD1000 sir2∆::kanMX4 HHT2-hhf2(K16R)	This work	
YWD1277	YWD1000 sir2∆∷kanMX4 HHT2-hhf2(K16Q)	This work	
Figure 5b			
YWD1400	YWD1000 leu2A::SIR2-natMX4	This work	
YWD1476	YWD1000 leu2A::SIR2-natMX4 HHT2-hhf2(K16R)	This work	
YWD1477	YWD1000 leu2A::SIR2-natMX4 HHT2-hhf2(K16Q)	This work	
Figure 5c			
YWD1500	YWD1000 fob1A::natMX4	This work	
YWD1576	YWD1000 fob1A::natMX4 HHT2-hhf2(K16R)	This work	
YWD1577	YWD1000 fob14::natMX4 HHT2-hhf2(K16Q)	This work	
Figure 5d			
BY4742	See Figure 3a	Invitrogen	
LF796	BY4742 sir3::URA3	This work	
LF797	BY4742 <i>LEU2::SIR2</i>	This work	
LF798	BY4742 sir3::URA3 LEU2::SIR2	This work	
Figure 5e			
BY4741	See Figure 1c		
YKO7110	BY4741 <i>sir3</i> Д:: <i>kanMX4</i>	Invitrogen	
YWD381	BY4741 sir4A::hphMX4	This work	

Specificity	Source	Catalog #	Applications in this work
H2AS129ph	Abcam	Ab15083	WB
H3	Abcam	Ab1791	WB, ChIP
H3K4me1	Millipore	07-436	WB
H3K4me2	Millipore	07-030	WB
H3K4me3	Abcam	Ab8580	WB
H3K9ac	Abcam	Ab4441	WB
H3S10ph	Millipore	05-817	WB
H3K14ac	Millipore	06-911	WB
H3K56ac	Shilatifard	N/A	WB
H3K79me2	Abcam	Ab3594	WB
H3K79me3	Abcam	Ab2621	WB
H4	Abcam	Ab31827	WB, ChIP
H4	Millipore	05-858	WB, ChIP
H4S1ph	Berger, G&D, 2006	N/A	WB
H4K12ac	Abcam	Ab1761	WB
H4K16ac	Millipore	07-329	WB, ChIP
H4K16ac	Active Motif	39167	WB, ChIP
Htz1	Abcam	Ab4626	WB
Sir2	Santa Cruz	sc-25753	WB, ChIP

Supplementary Table 3. List of antibodies used in this study.

N/A: Not applicable

Location	Oligo Name	Oligo Sequence
ACT1	ACT1-RT-F	TCGTTCCAATTTACGCTGGTT
	ACT1-RT-R	CGGCCAAATCGATTCTCAA
HML	HML-Alpha1-RT-F	TCAATATTATTCGACCACTCAAGAAAG
	HML-Alpha1-RT-R	CGCTATCCTGTGAATTTGGATTT
RDN1	NTS2-1-RT-F	CGGATGCGGGCGATAAT
	NTS2-1-RT-R	GCCGACATTCTGTCCCACAT
	RDN58-1-RT-F	GCGAAATGCGATACGTAATGTG
	RDN58-1-RT-R	GGCGCAATGTGCGTTCA
SAS2	SAS2-qPCR-F	GGAGCGCCGTTTATTTCGA
	SAS2-qPCR-R	TGAAGCAGTATTCACAAACGAAAAG
SIR2	SIR2-qPCR-F	GTGCAGTGCCATGGCTCTT
	SIR2-qPCR-R	TCTCACCGGGTAGGTTCCAA
TEL5R	TEL5R-YP-RT-F	CGTTTGTTGAAGACGAACCAGAT
	TEL5R-YP-RT-R	TGTAGACCATCACGTGGTTTGTT
	TEL5R-XR-RT-F	TGGAGTTGGATATGGGTAATTGG
	TEL5R-XR-RT-R	CATCCATCCCTCTACTTCCTACCA
	TEL5R-XC-RT-F	CCATGGAGTGGAATGTGAGAGTAG
	TEL5R-XC-RT-R	TGCCATACTCACCTCACTTGT
TEL6L	TEL6L-XC-RT-F	TGAGTACAAATGCACCCACATCA
	TEL6L-XC-RT-R	GCGTAAATGGCACAGGGTATAGA
	TEL6L-XR-RT-F	CCCTTCCATCCTGTCTCTCAACT
	TEL6L-XR-RT-R	GTGAGGTTGGATATGGGTAATTGG
TEL6R	TEL6R-RT-F	TGAGGCCATTTCCGTGTGTA
	TEL6R-RT-R	CCCAGTCCTCATTTCCATCAA
	TEL6R-0.2kb-RT-F	CCTTTTTTGATATAACTGTCGGAGAGT
	TEL6R-0.2kb-RT-R	TCCGAACGCTATTCCAGAAAGT
	TEL6R-3.6kb-RT-F	TCTCGGTGAACGGATGCA
	TEL6R-3.6kb-RT-R	CACGACAAAACCACCGATGA
	TEL6R-20kb-RT-F	CGCCTGCGTTCGCAAT
	TEL6R-20kb-RT-R	GCAGGCCCGCAGACTCTA
TEL7L	TEL7L-XR-RT-F	AACCACCATCCATCTCTCTACTTACTACTA
	TEL7L-XR-RT-R	AGAACAACAGTACAGTGAGTAGGACATG
	TEL7L-XC-RT-F	TCAGTACTAAATGCACCCACATCA
	TEL7L-XC-RT-R	TGGGTAAATGGCACAGGGTATAG
TEL9L	TEL9L-XC-RT-F	CACATCATTATGCACGGCACTT
	TEL9L-XC-RT-R	TGGATAATCGTGGGCTTTATGG
	TEL9L-XR-RT-F	CCTTGATTTGCAATGTCCCACTA
	TEL9L-XR-RT-R	TCCTGTTTGACGCAGATTTTAGC

Supplementary Table 4. List of real-time PCR oligos used in this study.

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Location	Oligo Name	Oligo Sequence
TEL9R	TEL9R-XC-RT-F	TGGGTAAATGGCACAGGGTATAG
	TEL9R-XC-RT-R	AAATCAGTACAAATGCACTCACATCA
	TEL9R-XR-RT-F	TGGTGGTAGTACGTAGAGAGATGGAT
	TEL9R-XR-RT-R	CCACTTGTTACCCTGTTCCATTC
TEL10R	TEL10R-XC-RT-F	TGGGTAAATGGCACAGGGTATAG
	TEL10R-XC-RT-R	TGCACTCGCATCATTATGCA
	TEL10R-XR-RT-F	TGGAGTTGGATATGGGTAATTGG
	TEL10R-XR-RT-R	CAACCACCATCCATCTCTCTACTTACT
TEL11L	TEL11L-XC-RT-F	CACTAAATCAGTACGATGCACTCACA
	TEL11L-XC-RT-R	TGGGTAAATTGCACAGGGTATAAA
	TEL11L-XR-RT-F	GTCTCCAAACCTACCTCACATTAC
	TEL11L-XR-RT-R	TGGTGACAGTAGAGAGATGGATGGT
TEL15R	TEL15R-XC-RT-F	GCTGAGGCAAGTGCCGTTAA
	TEL15R-XC-RT-R	GGCCCATCTCTCACTTCATCA
	TEL15R-XR-RT-F	CAACATGGTGGGTAGAACAACAG
	TEL15R-XR-RT-R	CATATCCAACTCCACCACCACTT

Supplementary Table 5. List of Mean Lifespan (MLS) and p-values for replicative lifespan

Figure	Strain A	Strain B	p-value
Fig. 3a	<i>sas2A</i> (32.4, n=105)	WT (26.7, n=125)	6.5×10 ⁻⁴
Fig. 3b	<i>SIR2</i> -OE (31.4, n=39)	WT (24.2, n=20)	0.03
	<i>sas2∆ SIR2</i> -OE (29.0, n=40)	<i>sas2A</i> (28.4, n=20)	0.88
Fig. 4a	H4K16R (15.6, n=50)	H4WT (17.8, n=50)	0.234
-	H4K16Q (11.7, n=50)	H4WT (17.8, n=50)	0.002
Fig. 4c	H3K56R (9.2, n=50)	H3WT (17.8, n=50)	9.0×10 ⁻⁶
	H3K56Q (8.7, n=50)	H3WT (17.8, n=50)	2.4×10^{-6}
Fig. 4d	<i>rtt109∆</i> (10.1, <i>MAT</i> α n=45, <i>MATa</i> n=40)	WT (30.1, <i>MATα</i> n=25, <i>MATa</i> n=40)	1.33×10 ⁻²¹
Fig. 5a	WT+H4K16R (30.4, n=120)	WT+H4WT (37.0, n=120)	2.0×10^{-6}
	WT+H4K16Q (24.6, n=120)	WT+H4WT (37.0, n=120)	1.7×10^{-19}
	<i>sir2A</i> +H4K16R (14.6, n=120)	<i>sir2</i> /1+H4WT (15.0, n=120)	0.93
	<i>sir2</i> /1+H4K16Q (13.6, n=110)	<i>sir2</i> /1+H4WT (15.0, n=120)	0.053
	<i>sir2A</i> +H4WT (15.0, n=120)	WT+H4WT (37.0, n=120)	1.0×10^{-35}
Fig. 5b	<i>SIR2</i> -OE+H4K16R (32.7, n=120)	<i>SIR2</i> -OE+H4WT (38.5, n=130)	1.4×10^{-5}
	SIR2-OE+H4K16Q (25.0, n=120)	<i>SIR2</i> -OE+H4WT (38.5, n=130)	8.0×10^{-17}
Fig. 5c	<i>fob1</i> ⊿+H4K16R (31.1, n=120)	<i>fob1</i> ⊿+H4WT (37.0, n=120)	4.7×10^{-4}
	<i>fob1</i> ⊿+H4K16Q (28.0, n=120)	<i>fob1</i> ⊿+H4WT (37.0, n=120)	1.7×10^{-8}
Fig. 5d	<i>SIR2</i> -OE (31.2, n=160)	WT (24.1, n=200)	6.4×10^{-8}
	<i>SIR2</i> -OE <i>sir3</i> ⊿ (24.1, n=200)	WT (24.1, n=200)	1.0
	<i>SIR2</i> -OE (31.2, n=160)	<i>SIR2</i> -OE <i>sir3</i> ⊿ (24.1, n=200)	7.3×10^{-8}
	<i>sir3</i> ⊿ (21.8, n=160)	<i>SIR2</i> -OE <i>sir3A</i> (24.1, n=200)	8.5×10^{-3}
Fig. 5e	<i>sir3</i> ⊿ (19.2, n=40)	WT (29.1, n=40)	2.4×10^{-5}
	<i>sir4</i> ⊿ (21.0, n=40)	WT (29.1, n=40)	1.3×10^{-4}
Supp. Fig. 8	H3K9R (14.9, n=50)	H3WT (17.8, n=50)	0.11
	H3K9Q (21.3, n=50)	H3WT (17.8, n=50)	0.34
Supp. Fig. 9	<i>hst3</i> Δ (<i>MAT</i> α n=120, <i>MAT</i> α n=40)	WT (28.3, <i>MATα</i> n=140, <i>MATa</i> n=40)	1.8×10^{-26}
	<i>hst4</i> Δ (<i>MAT</i> α n=120, <i>MAT</i> α n=40)	WT (28.3, <i>MATα</i> n=140, <i>MATa</i> n=40)	1.2×10^{-5}
	$hst3\Delta$ $hst4\Delta$ (MAT α n=119)	WT (28.3, <i>MATα</i> n=140, <i>MATa</i> n=40)	1.0×10^{-52}
Supp. Fig. 12	<i>sgs1</i> ⊿+H4K16R (7.5, n=24)	<i>sgs1</i> /2+H4WT (10.2, n=24)	7.6×10^{-3}
	sgs1/1+H4K16O(5.9, n=24)	sgs1/2 + H4WT (10.2, n=24)	1.7×10^{-3}

analysis in this study.

MLS and the number of cells analyzed (n) are listed in parenthesis.