SUPPLEMENTAL DATA

FOXO/4E-BP Signaling in *Drosophila* Muscles Regulates Organism-wide Proteostasis during Aging

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SUPPLEMENTAL FIGURES

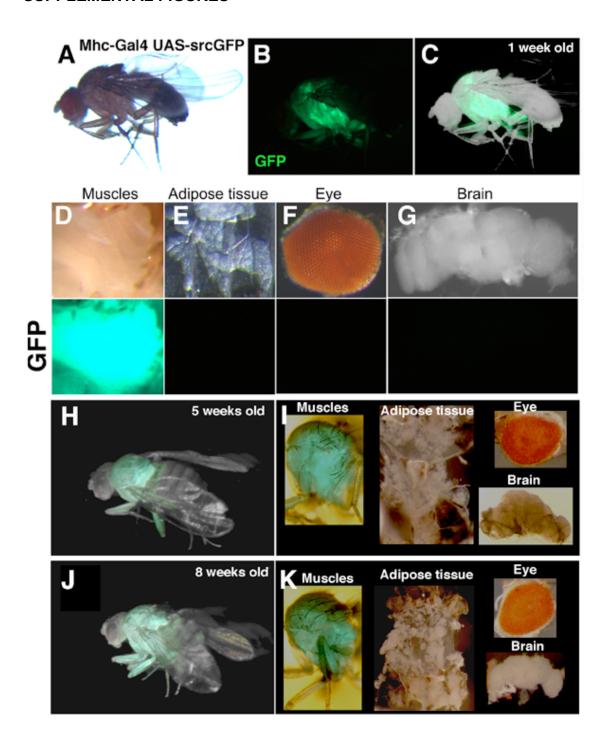


Figure S1. Mhc-Gal4 Drives Transgene Expression Specifically in Muscles, Related to Figures 1 and 6. (A-C) Overview of flies overexpressing *EGFP* with the Mhc-Gal4 driver (*UAS-srcEGFP/+ Mhc-Gal4/+*; magnification is 10x). GFP

fluorescence (green) is detected to identify the tissues where Mhc-Gal4 can drive transgene expression. (A, D) Strong GFP fluorescence is detected in muscles of the thorax (direct and indirect flight muscles) and in leg muscles. Weaker GFP fluorescence is detected in head and abdominal muscles (not shown). (E-G) In *UAS-srcEGFP/+ Mhc-Gal4/+* flies, no EGFP fluorescence is detected in the adipose tissue (E, peripheral fat body of the abdomen), the eye (F), and the brain (G). Similar results were obtained by driving the expression of other transgenes encoding GFP-tagged proteins (not shown). (H-K) Transgene expression is maintained with age specifically in muscles, as assessed by monitoring GFP expression at 5 (H-I) and 8 weeks (J-K) of age. No GFP expression was detected in non-muscle tissues (H-K).

Altogether, these observations indicate that Mhc-Gal4 drives transgene expression specifically in skeletal muscles but not in other tissues, including the adipose tissue, retina, and brain. This observation is consistent with previous studies reporting that *Mhc* is specifically expressed in muscles and that Mhc-Gal4 is a muscle specific Gal4 driver (Demontis and Perrimon, 2009; Hess et al., 2007; Schuster et al., 1996).

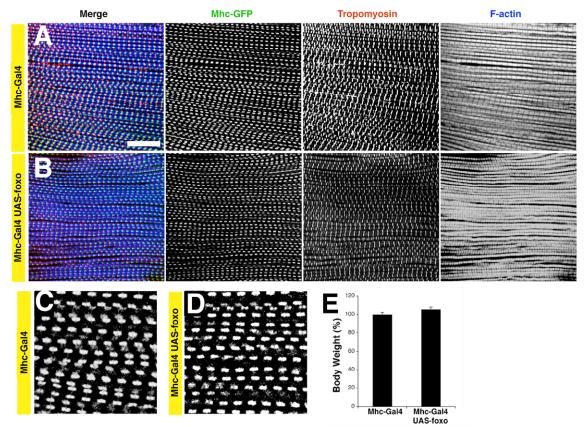


Figure S2. Mhc-Gal4 Drives *foxo* **Overexpression in Muscles without Affecting Developmental Growth and Differentiation, Related to Figure 1.** (A-D) Staining of indirect flight muscles with phalloidin (F-actin) and anti-Tropomyosin antibodies, and Mhc-GFP (WeeP26) fluorescence. The distribution of the sarcomeric components F-actin, Tropomyosin, and Mhc is similar in *Mhc-Gal4/Mhc-GFP* and *UAS-foxo/+ Mhc-Gal4/Mhc-GFP* flies, indicating that muscle differentiation and sarcomere assembly are unaltered. Scare bar, 20 μm. (C-D) Higher magnification panels display Mhc-GFP fluorescence of *Mhc-Gal4/Mhc-GFP* and *UAS-foxo/+ Mhc-Gal4/Mhc-GFP* flies. (E) *foxo* overexpression does not substantially affect developmental growth, as estimated by measuring the variation (%) in average body weight of one-week old flies (n[flies per batch]=25, n[batch]=2; standard deviation is indicated).

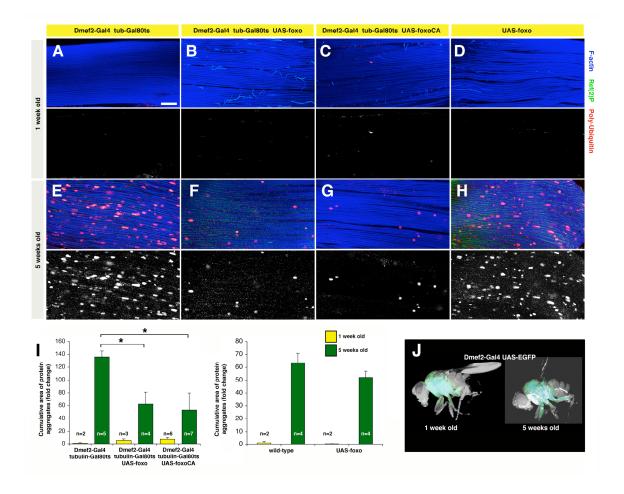


Figure S3. Overexpression in Adulthood of Wild-type and Constitutive Active foxo Preserves Muscle Proteostasis, Related to Figures 1 and 2.

(A-H) Staining of indirect flight muscles with overexpression of either wild-type or constitutive active (ca) foxo. Transgene expression is temporally controlled with the temperature sensitive tubulin-Gal80^{ts} to achieve adult onset transgene expression with the muscle Dmef2-Gal4 driver at 29°C. Overexpression of both wild-type (B, F) and constitutive active foxo (C, G) results in preservation of proteostasis, as exemplified by decreased deposition of protein aggregates (Poly-Ubiquitin and Ref(2)P immunoreactivities) at 5 weeks of age, in comparison with controls (the Dmef2-Gal4 driver (A, E), and the UAS-foxo transgene alone (D, H)). Scale bar is 20 μ m. (I) Fold change in the cumulative area of protein aggregates at 1 (yellow) and 5 (green) weeks of age from muscles of different animals indicates significant preservation of proteostasis in response to overexpression of wild-type or constitutive active foxo (* p<0.05; sem is indicated with n). (J) Dmef2-Gal4 drives transgene expression specifically in all muscles (including thoracic and abdominal muscles) at both 1 and 5 weeks of age.

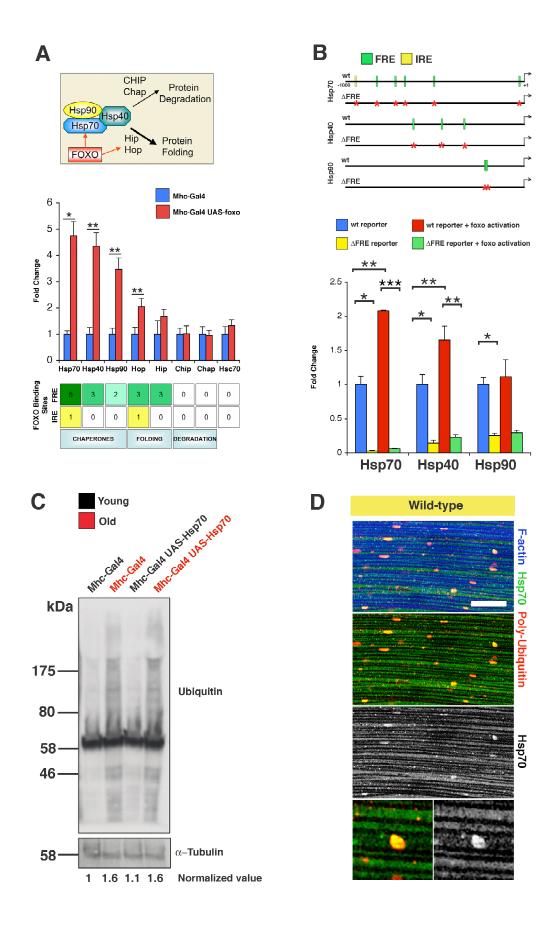


Figure S4. FOXO Induces the Expression of *Hsp70* and Associated Folding Co-chaperones, Related to Figure 2.

- (A) Hsp70 is a key player in proteostasis via its association with co-chaperones (Hsp40 and Hsp90) and co-factors involved in protein folding (Hip and Hop) and degradation (CHIP and Chap). The mRNA levels of *Hsp70* increase in thoracic muscles at 1 week of age in response to *foxo* overexpression (red; *UAS-foxo/+*; *Mhc-Gal4/+*) in comparison with controls (blue; *Mhc-Gal4/+*). A significant increase is also detected in the mRNA levels of the co-chaperones *Hsp40* and *Hsp90* and co-factors involved in protein folding (*Hop*) but not in protein degradation (*Chip*, *Chap*) and *Hsc70*. Error bars represent sem with n=4 and * p<0.05; ** p<0.01. Regulated genes have several putative FOXO binding sites (numbers in box) in their proximal (1kb) promoter region (green: Fork-head Responsive Element (FRE); yellow: Insulin Responsive Element (IRE)).
- (B) Luciferase assays in cell culture using wild-type (wt) and mutant versions (Δ FRE) of the promoter regions of FOXO-regulated chaperones. Green and yellow boxes indicate FREs and IREs in wild-type (wt) reporters, respectively, while a red star denotes mutation of a FOXO binding site in the mutant version of the promoter (arrow denotes ATG). (B) Relative Luciferase activity of wt and Δ FRE mutant reporters, normalized to an *actin5c* promoter-based Luciferase reporter. *Foxo* overexpression increases the transcriptional activity of the wt Luciferase reporters, which is suppressed by the removal of FOXO binding sites (Δ FRE mutant reporters). Error bars represent sem with n=4 and * p<0.05; ** p<0.01; *** p<0.001. Table S2 provides information on the promoter regions used for the construction of Luciferase reporters.
- (C) Western blot analysis of Triton X-100 insoluble fractions from thoraces of syngenic flies with or without *Hsp70* overexpression in muscles. Thoraces from young flies (1 week old, black) are compared with thoraces from old flies (6 weeks old, red). Note a similar deposition of Ubiquitin-conjugated proteins in old flies independent of *Hsp70* overexpression. Quantification of Ubiquitin-conjugated proteins levels normalized to Tubulin levels is indicated (normalized value).
- (D) Immunostaining of indirect flight muscles from wild-type old flies (5 weeks of age) with an anti-Hsp70 antibody. Hsp70 immunoreactivity (green) is detected in the cytoplasm of young flies (not shown) and old flies, where it is additionally detected in poly-Ubiquitin protein aggregates (red). Association of Hsp70 with protein aggregates may possibly decrease their toxicity (proteotoxicity). F-actin (blue, phalloidin staining) identifies myofibrils. Scale bar is 20 μ m.

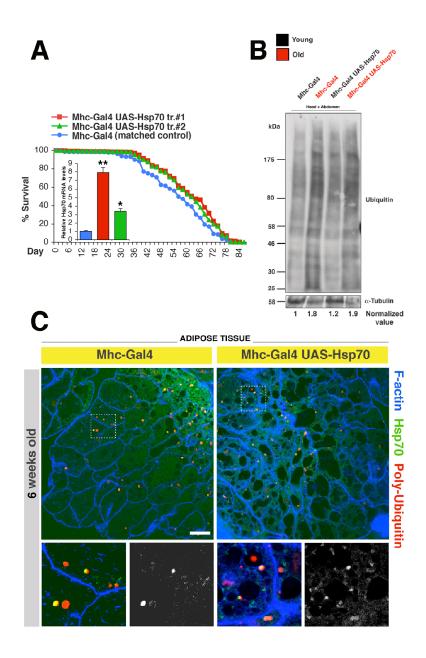


Figure S5. Minor Contribution of *Hsp70* Overexpression in Muscles to the Systemic Regulation of Aging, Related to Figures 4 and 6.

(A) *Hsp70* overexpression has a partial effect on muscle function (not shown) and lifespan in comparison with syngenic control flies. Median and maximum lifespan: *Mhc-Gal4/+=*56 and 80 days (n=774); *Mhc-Gal4/UAS-Hsp70=*62 and 84 days (n=626); p<0.01). Relative *Hsp70* mRNA levels are detected in thoraces from control (blue) and *Hsp70* overexpressing (red and green) flies by qPCR (sem is indicated with n=4; *p<0.05 and **p<0.01).

(B-C) Accumulation of poly-Ubiquitinated proteins in non-muscle tissues of flies overexpressing *Hsp70* in Muscles. (B) Western blot of Triton X-100 insoluble

fractions from abdominal and head tissues of syngenic flies with or without Hsp70 overexpression in muscles (Mhc-Gal4/+; and Mhc-Gal4/UAS-Hsp70) at 1 (young) and 6 weeks (old) of age. Note a similar accumulation of Ubiquitin-conjugated proteins with age, indicating that Hsp70 overexpression in muscles is not sufficient per se to mitigate the loss of proteostasis in non-muscle tissues. Normalized values (based on α -Tubulin levels) are shown.

(C) Immunostaining of adipose tissue (peripheral fat body of the abdomen) from flies with or without Hsp70 overexpression in muscles at 6 weeks of age. Hsp70 immunoreactivity (green) is detected in the cytoplasm and associated with some poly-Ubiquitin protein aggregates (red) that accumulate in both conditions. Factin staining is shown in blue. Scale bar, 20 μ m.

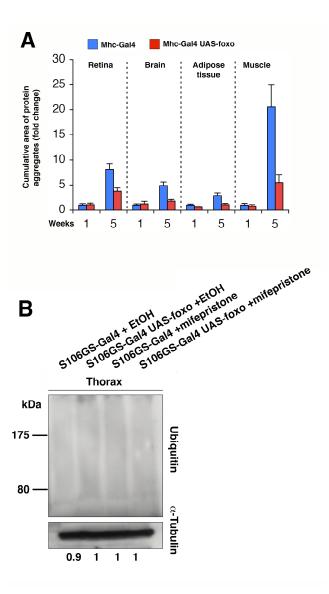


Figure S6. Prominence of Muscle Aging is Seemingly not Affected by *foxo* Overexpression in the Abdominal Fat Body, Related to Figure 6.

- (A) Age-related changes in the cumulative area of protein aggregates are more prominent in muscles in comparison with other tissues (data displayed are from Figures 1 and 6).
- (B) Western blot analysis of Triton X-100 insoluble fractions from 5 weeks old S106GS-Gal4 flies at 29°C, with or without the UAS-foxo transgene, and either ethanol (EtOH, mock) or the inducer of expression mifepristone (S106GS-Gal4 is dependent on this progesterone analog to drive UAS-construct expression in the fat body (Giannakou et al., 2004; Hwangbo et al., 2004)). FOXO activation in the fat body may regulate systemic proteostasis, although no substantial difference in the deposition of protein aggregates in muscles (thoraces) is observed in the various conditions tested.

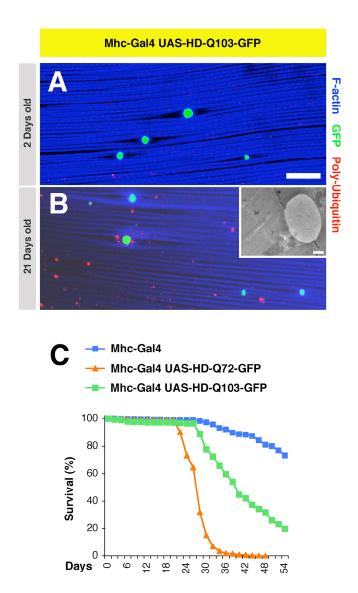


Figure S7. Expression of Mutant Human Huntington's Disease Proteins in Muscles is Sufficient to Decrease Lifespan, Related to Figures 4 and 7. (A-B) GFP-positive protein aggregates are detected in muscles from both young (2 days old) and older flies (21 days old) upon overexpression in muscles of GFP-tagged, aggregation-prone human Huntington's disease proteins. Note that Huntington's disease protein aggregates are distinct from aggregates of endogenous damaged proteins (identified via poly-Ubiquitin immunoreactivity, red) in both confocal and transmission electron microscopy (inset in B). Scale bars, 20 μ m (A, confocal microscopy) and 500 nm (inbox in B, electron microscopy).

(C) Overexpression of Huntington's disease proteins in muscles is sufficient to decrease lifespan, indicating that muscle proteostasis is limiting for life expectancy (p<0.001, with n[Mhc-Gal4/+]=1264, n[UAS-HD-Q72-GFP/+; +/+; Mhc-Gal4/+]=490).

SUPPLEMENTAL TABLES

Homo sapiens gene	Drosophila melanogaster ortholog		
Hsp70 (multiple genes)	Hsp70 (multiple genes):		
	Hsp70Aa (<i>CG31366</i>)		
	Hsp70Ab (<i>CG1874</i> 3)		
	Hsp70Ba (<i>CG3144</i> 9)		
	Hsp70Bb (CG31359)		
	Hsp70Bbb (<i>CG5834</i>)		
	Hsp70Bc (<i>CG6489</i>)		
Hsp40	DnaJ-like-1 (CG10578)		
Hsp90	Hsp83 (CG1242)		
Hsp70/Hsp90 organizing protein (Hop)	CG2720		
Hsc70-interacting protein (Hip)	CG2947		
	CG32789		
Chap1/Chap2	CG14224		
BAG-1	not conserved		
Scythe/bat3	not conserved		

Table S1. *Drosophila* Orthologs of Human Hsp70 and Associated Cochaperones Involved in Protein Folding and Degradation, Related to Figure S4.

Results of reciprocal BLAST analysis highlight *Drosophila* genes related to human genes encoding proteins associated with Hsp70. Note the presence of multiple copies of *Hsp70* and *Hip* genes in *Drosophila* encoding proteins with the same sequence. No *Drosophila* orthologs of human BAG-1 and Scythe/bat3 were identified.

PROMOTER REGION	CONSENSUS SEQUENCE	POSITION	SEQUENCE
Hsp70Bbb (<i>CG5834</i>) promoter (3R:83272328328232)	(G/A)TAAA(C/T)A FORK-HEAD RESPONSIVE ELEMENT GTGTTTT INSULIN RESPONSIVE ELEMENT	-949 -836 -731 -667 -508 -33	gtgtttt ataaata gtaaaca ataaata gtaaata ataaata
DnaJ-like-1 (Hsp40) promoter (3L:5745330,5746330) Hsp83 (Hsp90) promoter (3L:3192027,3193027)	(G/A)TAAA(C/T)A FORK-HEAD RESPONSIVE ELEMENT (G/A)TAAA(C/T)A FORK-HEAD RESPONSIVE ELEMENT	-621 -462 -340 -212 -206	ataaaca ataaata ataaata ataaata ataaata
Hop promoter (2L:294109,295109)	(G/A)TAAA(C/T)A FORK-HEAD RESPONSIVE ELEMENT GTGTTTT INSULIN RESPONSIVE ELEMENT	-396 -194 -188 -184	gtgtttt ataaaca ataaata ataaaca
Hip (CG2947) promoter (X:3683002,3684002)	(G/A)TAAA(C/T)A FORK-HEAD RESPONSIVE ELEMENT	-856 -626 -328	ataaata ataaaca gtaaaca

Table S2. Promoter Analysis of FOXO-regulated Folding Chaperones, Related to Figure S4.

Analysis of the proximal 1kb promoter region of *Drosophila* genes encoding Hsp70 and associated co-chaperones reveals an enrichment of FOXO binding sites in the promoters of *Hsp70*, co-factors involved in protein folding (*Hip* and *Hop*) and co-chaperones (*Hsp40* and *Hsp90*), but not in the promoter region of co-factors involved in protein degradation (*Chip* and *Chap*). The occurrence of the two canonical FOXO binding sites in the proximal 1kb promoters regions is indicated for each gene promoter where sites were detected. Note that no sites were detected in the 1kb proximal promoter region of *Chip*, *Chap*, and *Hsc70-1* (Figure S4). Sequences of FOXO binding sites are indicated, according to previous reports (Curran et al., 2009; Teleman et al., 2008).

SUPPLEMENTAL EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURES Fly Stocks

Fly stocks used are: *y w; UAS-foxo-TM* (constitutive active); *y w; UAS-foxo transgene #1 #a* (Hwangbo et al., 2004); *y w; UAS-foxo transgene #2*, and *y w; foxo*²⁵ (Junger et al., 2003; Zheng et al., 2007); *y w, UAS-foxo transgene #b* (Puig et al., 2003); *y w, UAS-4E-BP CA* ((Miron et al., 2001); Bloomington #24854; recombined on *y w*); *4E-BP/Thor-lacZ* (Bloomington #9558); *y w; UAS-Pten* ((Huang et al., 1999); recombined on *y w*); *y w; Mhc-GFP* (WeeP26; Clyne et al., 2003); *UAS-Lamp1-GFP* (Pulipparacharuvil et al., 2005); *y w; UAS-GFP-Atg5* (Bloomington #8731; (Rusten et al., 2004)); *UAS-HD-Q72-GFP* and *UAS-HD-Q103-GFP* (gift of Sheng Zhang, University of Texas); *y w; Dmef2-Gal4* (Ranganayakulu et al., 1996); *w; UAS-srcGFP* (Bloomington #5432); *S106GS-Gal4* (Giannakou et al., 2004); and *w; Mhc-Gal4* (Schuster et al., 1996). RNAi stocks to knock-down *Atg7* (JF02787) and *white* (JF01786) mRNA levels were provided by the DRSC/TRiP at Harvard Medical School. *UAS-Hsp70* transgenic flies were generated by cloning the *Hsp70* coding sequence in the pUAST vector followed by injection into *w*¹¹¹⁸ embryos.

Antibodies and Immunostaining Procedures

Antibodies used are: anti- β -galactosidase (Promega, 1:200), anti-GFP (Abcam, 1:200), anti-Poly-Ubiquitin (FK2; Assay Designs,1:200), anti-Hsp70 (1:200; gift of Susan Lindquist), anti-Ref(2)P (1:1000; gift of Ioannis Nezis (Nezis et al., 2008)), anti-Tropomyosin (Babraham Institute, 1:100), and/or anti-Dilp2 and anti-Dilp5 (Geminard et al., 2009) antibodies.

After incubation with primary antibodies over night, the samples were washed, and incubated with Alexa488 or Alexa635-conjugated phalloidin (1:100), to visualize F-actin, and with Alexa-conjugated secondary antibodies (Molecular Probes, 1:200). Nuclei were visualized by DAPI staining (1µg/ml). Samples were processed with a Leica SP2 laser scanning confocal microscope.

Detailed Behavioral and Metabolic Assays

CAFÉ feeding behavior assays were done as previously (Ja et al., 2007; Xu et al., 2008). In brief, twelve hours before the assay, 7 flies were transferred from normal food to 1.5% agar vials and fed 5% sucrose solution maintained in 5 μ l calibrated glass micropipettes (VWR, #53432-706). At the start of the assay, the old micropipette was replaced with a new one. The amount of liquid food consumed was recorded every 2 hours and corrected on the basis of the evaporation observed in a vial without flies.

Feeding assays on blue colored food were done by providing food containing 5% sucrose, 1% agar, and 0.5% brilliant blue for 24 hours. Blue dye ingestion was quantified by measuring the absorbance at 625 nm of batches of 4 flies, as done previously (Xu et al., 2008). For measurement of body weight, groups of 7 flies were weighted on a precision balance and the average body weight calculated.

The quantification of the glucose concentration in the hemolymph was done according to Geminard et al., (2009). In brief, at least 15 flies were decapitated,

placed in a perforated 0.5 ml tube, centrifuged for 6 minutes at 1500 g, and the hemolymph collected in an underlying 1.5 ml tube at 4°C. The hemolymph was diluted 1:10 in distilled water and the glucose concentration was determined with the Glucose Hexokinase Assay kit (Sigma #GAHK-20) after trehalose conversion into glucose with porcine trehalase (Sigma #T8778) and incubation at 37°C overnight. All experiments were done with male flies.

Cell Culture and Luciferase Assays

For transcriptional assays, S2R+ cells were transfected with the following plasmids: pMT-foxo (Puig et al., 2003), actin-firefly Luciferase, and either wild-type of mutant versions of *Renilla* Luciferase reporters based on the promoters of Hsp70, Hsp40, and Hsp90. *Renilla* Luciferase reporters were constructed and mutagenized via a standard PCR-based approach. Luciferase activity refers to the ratio of *Renilla* to firefly Luciferase luminescence.

List of qPCR Primers

Alpha-Tubulin84B (CG1913):

5'-GCTGTTCCACCCCGAGCAGCTGATC-3' and

5'-GGCGAACTCCAGCTTGGACTTCTTGC-3'

Thor/4E-BP (CG8846):

5'-TCCTGGAGGCACCAAACTTATC-3' and

5'-GGAGCCACGGAGATTCTTCA-3'

Hsp70Bbb (CG5834):

5'-GGAGACACACTTGGGCGGCGAG-3' and

5'-TCTCGATGGTGGCCTCCGTGCTAG-3'

Hip (CG2947):

5'-TCCCGAGGTGTCAGCCGCCATTCAGGAC-3' and

5'-CAAACCGTCATCGACGAAGTCGGCGGAG-3'

Hop (CG2720):

5'-AAGGCCTTCGAAGCGTACAACGAGGGTC-3' and

5'-TCCTCTACCCGAGGTTCAGCGGGCTTTG-3'

Hsp40 (DnaJ-like-1, CG10578):

5'-CTACAAGATTCTGGGCCTCGAGCGC-3' and

5'-CGTAATTGTCGAAGATGTCGCGCTTC-3'

Hsp90 (Hsp83, CG1242):

5'-AGAAGCAGAGACCTTTGCATTCCAG-3' and

5'-AGCTTGATGTACAGCTCCTTGCCAG-3'

CHIP (CG5203):

5'-TTGCTACTCAAAGGCCATCATAAAG-3' and

5'-TATGCCCGTTGAAGGTGCTTTATAG-3'

Chap1 (CG14224):

5'-ACGGTCGAAGTTGACGAAGATTCTGG-3' and

5'-AAAGGGCGTTTGGCGCACGTCAG-3'

Hsc70.1 (CG8937):

5'-GAATCCCAACAACACGATCTTTGATG-3' and

5'-AGGTAGGCCTCCGCGGTCTCTC-3'

Atg1 (CG10967):

5'-CGTCTACAAAGGACGTCATCGCAAGAAAC-3' and

5'-CGCCAAGTCGCCGCCATTGCAATACTC-3'

Atg5 (CG1643):

5'-CCTGCGAATCTATACAGACGATGAC-3' and

5'-AGCTCAGATGCTCGGACATCCATTG-3'

Ata6 (CG5429):

5'-TGCACGCAATGGCGGAGTTATCTTTGC-3' and

5'-CAGCTCCGCTTTCAGCTTAAAAGCAGC-3'

Atg7 (CG5489):

5'-TGCCTTTCTGCTTCAGCAATGTCC-3' and

5'-GGCCCCATTTTGCCATTTTTATTTAG-3'

Atg8a (CG32672):

5'-TCGCAAATATCCAGACCGTGTGCCCGTC-3' and

5'-GCCGATGTTGGTGGAATGACGTTGTTCAC-3'

Image Analysis

For image analysis, single-channel confocal images were converted into grayscale and the number and area of protein aggregates was measured in an automated way with the "Analyze Particle" function of ImageJ on the basis of poly-Ubiquitin immunoreactivity. A cut-off of 10 pixels was applied to exclude background staining from the analysis. A similar approach was used to count vesicles.

In immunoelectron microscopy images, the total number of gold particles was counted to estimate the presence of protein aggregates.

Quantification of the intensity of antibody staining was done by measuring the mean fluorescence intensity with the Histogram function of Photoshop (Adobe) in single confocal images taken with the same settings.

Transmission and Immunogold-electron Microscopy

For transmission electron microscopy (TEM), thoraces were dissected and incubated in fixative (2% formaldehyde, 2.5% glutaraldehyde and 0.06% picric acid in 100mM cacodylate buffer, pH7.2) and processed as previously described (Bai et al., 2007).

For immunogold-electron microscopy, thoraces were fixed for 40 minutes in 0.1% Triton X-100 and 4% paraformaldehyde in 0.1M Sodium Phosphate buffer pH 7.4 and embedded in LR White resin (Electron Microscopy Sciences). ~80nm thick LR White sections were picked up on formvar/carbon coated copper grids for immunolabeling.

The gold-labeling was carried out at room temperature on a piece of parafilm. Anti-Ubiquitin (1:50 P4D1, Cell Signaling) antibodies and protein A gold were diluted in PBS with 0.1% Triton X-100 and 1% BSA. The diluted antibody solution was centrifuged 1 minute at 14000 rpm prior to labeling to avoid possible aggregates. Grids were floated on drops of PBS with 0.1% Triton X-100 and 1% BSA for 10 minutes to block for unspecific labeling, transferred to 5µl drops of

primary antibody and incubated for 30 minutes. The grids were then washed in 4 drops of PBS for a total of 15 minutes, transferred to 5µl drops of Protein-A gold for 20 minutes, washed in 4 drops of PBS for 15 minutes and 6 drops of double distilled water. Grids were picked up with metal loops and the excess liquid was removed by streaking on a filter paper. Post-staining of the LR White sections was done with 0.3% lead citrate. The grids were examined in a TecnaiG² Spirit BioTWIN mission electron microscope and images were recorded with an AMT 2k CCD camera (courtesy of Maria Ericsson, Harvard Medical School EM Facility).

Western Blot and Biochemical Analysis of Detergent Insoluble Fractions

Biochemical Analysis of detergent insoluble fractions was done as previously (Cumming et al., 2008; Nezis et al., 2008; Tofaris et al., 2003). In brief, either fly heads and abdomens, or thoraces were dissected from at least 15 male flies and homogenized in ice-cold PBS with 1% Triton X-100 containing protease and phosphatase inhibitors. Homogenates were centrifuged at 14000 rpm at 4 °C and supernatant collected (Triton X-100 soluble fraction). The remaining pellet was washed in ice-cold PBS with 1% Triton X-100. The pellet was then resuspended in RIPA buffer containing 8M urea and 5% SDS, centrifuged at 14000 rpm at 4 °C, and collected supernatants (Triton X-100 insoluble fraction) were analyzed on 4-20% SDS-PAGE. Western blots were probed with anti-Ubiquitin antibodies (P4D1, Cell Signaling; 1:1000) and either anti- α -Tubulin or anti-Histone H3 antibodies (Cell Signaling, 1:1000) as loading controls.

For densitometry of Western blots, band intensity was quantified with the Histogram function of Photoshop.

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