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Supplementary Figure S3. Fluorescence recovery after photobleaching of EGFPelF4A3, EGFP-MAGOH and EGFP-Y14. These are representative cells from Figure 3. HeLa cells were transiently transfected with EGFP-fusion proteins. After 48 hours, cells were treated with AKT inhibitor ( $5\mu$ M) before photobleaching. Control cells were treated without the drug. The same cell is shown before photobleaching, just after photobleaching, and when the recovery has reached a plateau. The bleach zone for each cell is indicated by the white square. Size bar =  $5\mu$ m.

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Supplementary Figure S6. The PI3 kinase, AKT, and mTOR signaling pathways do not change the degradation rate of selected mRNAs. HeLa cells were plated in 6-well plates and, after 48 hours, treated with Actinomycin D (+ActD) at final concentration of  $0.5\mu$ g/ml for 7 hours. Over the last 3 hours cells were also treated with the drugs: LY294402 (20 $\mu$ M), AKT inhibitor VIII (5 $\mu$ M) and Rapamycin (100nM). Endogenous mRNAs from unfractionated cells were isolated and quantified by qRT-PCR. Ct values

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## SUPPLEMENTARY MOVIES

**Movie 1. Fluorescence recovery of EGFP-UAP56.** HeLa cells transiently expressing EGFP-UAP56 were imaged by confocal laser scanning microscopy. EGFP-UAP56, concentrated at a RNA spicing nuclear speckled domain, was photobleached (white square). After bleaching, single images were acquired every 6 seconds for 115 seconds. This movie is from one of the cells analyzed in Figure 1

**Movie 2. Fluorescence recovery of EGFP-ALY/REF.** HeLa cells transiently expressing EGFP-ALY/REF were imaged by confocal laser scanning microscopy. A region containing nucleoplasm and few RNA splicing speckled domains was

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