

TABLE S1. Up- or down-regulated genes in non-sexual and sexual flocculation cells compared to non-flocculation cells

Gene Name	Annotation ^a	WT						Haploid cells mixtures in YEPD						Diploid cells		
		rpl32-1Δ			rpl32-2Δ			Mean	Fold Change ^b	P Value	Mean	Fold Change ^b	P Value	Mean	Fold Change ^b	P Value
		Mean	Fold Change ^b	P Value	Mean	Fold Change ^b	P Value									
ribosomal proteins																
rps1401 ^c	40S ribosomal protein S14	5633.44	1248.06	-4.52	0.036	1326.02	-4.25	0.015	6315.58	2689.44	-2.35	0.026				
rpl1603	60S ribosomal protein L13/L16	3300.57	2580.24	-1.28	0.033	2634.41	-1.25	0.034	3585.11	2675.73	-1.34	0.026				
rpl1002	60S ribosomal protein L10	17886.71	14802.71	-1.21	0.034	14795.97	-1.21	0.011	16627.69	12594.82	-1.31	0.040				
rpl3002 ^c	60S ribosomal protein L30	4617.83	3830.89	-1.21	0.022	3837.77	-1.20	0.043	5565.13	4215.37	-1.32	0.017				
rpl3201 ^c	60S ribosomal protein L32	15052.34	18.00	-836.11	0.017	30959.65	2.06	0.018	14405.18	9593.92	-1.50	0.011				
rps2401	40S ribosomal protein S24	14735.41	12052.33	-1.22	0.041	14409.47	-1.02	0.011	14220.65	11075.36	-1.28	0.045				
rpl3202	60S ribosomal protein L32	17587.95	36239.27	2.06	0.027	152.37	-115.42	0.020	16567.86	11080.26	-1.50	0.030				
rpl101	60S ribosomal protein L10a	18816.36	18969.15	1.01	0.026	18969.15	1.01	0.030	18094.96	11784.33	-1.54	0.042				
rps1001 ^c	40S ribosomal protein S10	10861.23	12052.49	1.11	0.041	11542.01	1.06	0.014	11121.78	7372.40	-1.51	0.009				

rps1002 ^c	40S ribosomal protein S10	14556.74	15476.00	1.06	0.032	15157.35	1.04	0.011	14060.89	9911.73	-1.42	0.011
rps2201	40S ribosomal protein S15a	14333.47	15542.50	1.08	0.032	14871.41	1.04	0.011	13948.28	11190.53	-1.25	0.045
rpl703	60S ribosomal protein L7	2739.70	6017.69	2.20	0.014	5063.29	1.85	0.032	2920.91	2377.35	-1.23	0.029
rps3001	40S ribosomal protein S30	13630.96	14623.43	1.07	0.036	14222.28	1.04	0.012	12263.64	9984.89	-1.23	0.011
rps1701	40S ribosomal protein S17	15215.98	16107.03	1.06	0.031	16565.03	1.09	0.034	14777.35	12035.24	-1.23	0.042
rps2601	40S ribosomal protein S26	13941.52	15681.42	1.12	0.032	15571.84	1.12	0.011	12662.72	10313.09	-1.23	0.011
rps002	40S ribosomal protein S0B	16414.69	16414.69	1.00	0.030	16414.69	1.00	0.034	15292.11	12486.72	-1.22	0.040
rps1901	40S ribosomal protein S19	19155.88	19207.22	1.00	0.026	19155.88	1.00	0.029	18104.99	14801.21	-1.22	0.034
rps401	40S ribosomal protein S4	13976.35	13976.35	1.00	0.036	13976.35	1.00	0.011	13624.35	11224.91	-1.21	0.045
rpl1801	60S ribosomal protein L18	14692.58	15140.85	1.03	0.033	15045.05	1.02	0.011	14273.98	11817.19	-1.21	0.042
rpl3001 ^c	60S ribosomal protein L30	17511.32	18269.91	1.04	0.027	17742.12	1.01	0.032	16679.63	12456.60	-1.34	0.040
ribosomal biogenesis proteins												
urb2 ^c	ribosome biogenesis protein Urb2 (predicted)	949.35	743.77	-1.28	0.013	759.67	-1.25	0.026	997.52	766.36	-1.30	0.033
SPBP16F5.06	ribosome biogenesis protein Nop6	692.14	552.76	-1.25	0.018	511.85	-1.35	0.039	305.91	199.86	-1.53	0.030

	ribosome biogenesis protein (predicted)	1984.28	1705.68	-1.16	0.050	1912.93	-1.04	0.046	739.57	376.74	-1.96	0.016
SPAC890.05	ribosome biogenesis protein (predicted)	795.50	767.77	-1.04	0.013	830.70	1.04	0.024	550.99	380.96	-1.45	0.016
SPAC1952.02	ribosome biogenesis protein Brx1	4530.33	5137.57	1.13	0.017	5062.42	1.12	0.032	1661.42	1264.63	-1.31	0.020
brx1	ribosome biogenesis protein Ltv1 (predicted)	3782.44	3822.04	1.01	0.022	3835.39	1.01	0.043	680.65	527.71	-1.29	0.047
SPAC3F10.17	ribosome biogenesis protein Nob1 (predicted)	4274.68	4374.11	1.02	0.034	4182.13	-1.02	0.039	816.10	540.52	-1.51	0.046
SPAC1486.09	ribosome biogenesis protein Noc1 (predicted)	2001.83	1963.71	-1.02	0.044	1732.39	-1.16	0.033	768.91	544.89	-1.41	0.046
SPBC83.15	ribosome biogenesis protein Nsa1	1474.80	1577.87	1.07	0.028	1541.46	1.04	0.029	390.84	307.90	-1.27	0.019
SPCP1E11.08	ribosome biogenesis protein Nsa2 (predicted)	10258.98	12704.83	1.24	0.020	11230.71	1.09	0.031	1928.82	1586.63	-1.22	0.016
SPCC4G3.18	ribosome biogenesis protein Rix1 (predicted)	1298.11	1261.07	-1.03	0.036	1258.13	-1.03	0.016	772.62	604.75	-1.28	0.041
SPAPB8E5.07c	ribosome biogenesis protein Rrp12	1721.44	1724.28	1.00	0.049	1711.17	1.00	0.026	571.62	467.30	-1.22	0.013
SPBC947.07	ribosome biogenesis protein Rrp14-C	669.62	609.37	-1.10	0.016	669.62	1.00	0.030	250.67	199.59	-1.26	0.030
rrs1	ribosome biogenesis protein Rrs1 (predicted)	1426.83	1659.62	1.16	0.052	1619.73	1.14	0.028	643.13	454.87	-1.41	0.013
SPAC23H4.15	ribosome biogenesis protein Tsr1 (predicted)	2057.68	2192.25	1.07	0.039	2214.59	1.08	0.040	1091.81	796.05	-1.37	0.031

SPCC14G10.02	ribosome biogenesis protein Urb1	841.91	981.51	1.17	0.046	871.25	1.03	0.023	441.51	330.81	-1.33	0.018
nop16	ribosome biogenesis protein Nop16 (predicted)	2373.50	2420.21	1.02	0.036	2385.87	1.01	0.037	441.10	177.15	-2.49	0.034
ribosome synthesis-regulating transcription factors												
SFP1 ^c	Transcription factor that controls expression of ribosome biogenesis genes in repression	9.11	9.11	1.00	0.011	9.11	1.00	0.022	11.49	13.97	1.22	0.021
CRF1	Transcriptional co-repressor involved in repression of ribosomal protein (RP) gene	7.93	7.93	1.00	0.013	7.93	1.00	0.025	10.46	12.60	1.21	0.024
Pheromone response pathway (MAPK signal pathway)												
STE11 ^c	Signal transducing MEK kinase involved in pheromone response	15.14	26.85	1.77	0.019	26.01	1.72	0.038	171.39	20.36	8.41	0.035
pmk1 ^c	MAP kinase Pmk1	1001.53	1233.16	1.23	0.036	1064.71	1.26	0.019	1269.90	1788.71	1.41	0.014
cmk2	MAPK-activated protein kinase Cmk2	245.11	426.14	1.74	0.012	329.03	1.34	0.024	268.40	379.48	1.41	0.016
byr1	MAP kinase kinase Byr1	2198.95	2772.39	1.26	0.031	3110.40	1.41	0.029	2364.80	3050.59	1.29	0.023
srk1	MAPK-activated protein kinase Srk1	1332.67	824.57	-1.62	0.012	817.19	-1.63	0.024	1497.67	4191.64	2.80	0.017
STE12	Transcription factor that is activated by a MAP kinase signalling cascade	28.89	29.72	1.03	0.017	29.72	1.03	0.034	40.36	53.18	1.32	0.027

sin1	stress activated MAP kinase interacting protein Sin1	894.37	651.98	-1.37	0.015	685.41	-1.30	0.029	976.55	1185.04	1.21	0.021
pka1 ^c	cAMP-dependent protein kinase catalytic subunit Pka1	2378.11	976.17	-2.44	0.046	1110.66	-2.14	0.018	4026.47	3056.57	-1.24	0.023
Sexual reproduction												
mug57 ^c	meiotically upregulated gene Mug57	102.77	200.03	1.95	0.012	202.70	1.97	0.040	177.45	288.68	1.63	0.021
mug97	meiotically upregulated gene Mug97	34.19	59.33	1.73	0.019	72.82	2.13	0.041	45.17	65.89	1.46	0.024
mei4	meiotic forkhead transcription factor Mei4	46.01	59.61	1.30	0.009	80.37	1.75	0.037	69.59	104.19	1.50	0.015
SPCC1442.04c	meiotic recombination protein (predicted)	116.70	127.57	1.29	0.020	152.69	1.31	0.020	122.67	204.18	1.66	0.029
SPAC11D3.03c	meiotic chromosome segregation protein	83.70	246.14	2.94	0.010	281.44	3.36	0.028	95.17	65.60	-1.45	0.024
rec15	meiotic recombination protein Rec15	15.13	24.02	1.59	0.021	27.87	1.84	0.036	20.72	17.52	-1.18	0.040
mug146	meiotically upregulated gene Mug46	102.70	133.03	1.30	0.019	153.47	1.49	0.020	129.40	109.27	-1.18	0.015
mug5	meiotically upregulated gene Mug5	30.17	51.37	1.70	0.010	49.18	1.63	0.020	19.85	14.63	-1.36	0.021
tht2	meiotically upregulated gene Mug22	28.44	41.34	1.45	0.012	40.84	1.45	0.034	30.65	21.01	-1.46	0.033
rec8	meiotic cohesin complex subunit Rec8	33.54	33.54	1.00	0.015	33.54	1.00	0.030	49.66	71.05	1.43	0.023

rec10	meiotic recombination protein Rec10	112.85	67.03	-1.68	0.016	80.12	-1.41	0.037	131.28	164.18	1.25	0.037
rec25	meiotic recombination protein Rec25	46.27	51.37	1.11	0.010	51.37	1.11	0.019	56.53	72.65	1.29	0.022
mug184	meiotically upregulated gene Mug184	84.70	41.27	-2.05	0.012	65.03	-1.30	0.015	117.20	158.59	1.35	0.038
mug66	meiotically upregulated gene Mug66	143.83	158.70	1.10	0.016	158.70	1.10	0.019	181.76	454.43	2.50	0.013
MEI5	Meiosis specific protein involved in DMC1-dependent meiotic recombination	6.67	6.67	1.00	0.015	6.67	1.00	0.030	7.58	9.48	1.25	0.032
REC8	Meiosis-specific component of sister chromatid cohesion complex	29.72	29.72	1.00	0.017	29.72	1.00	0.034	49.66	71.05	1.43	0.023
SMA2	Meiosis-specific prospore membrane protein	20.33	21.26	1.05	0.014	21.26	1.05	0.047	27.36	37.02	1.35	0.019
Sporulation and spore formation												
mde10 ^c	spore wall assembly peptidase Mde10	596.03	746.70	1.25	0.013	789.27	1.32	0.025	671.15	776.10	1.26	0.032
meu14	sporulation protein Meu14	76.17	102.70	1.35	0.024	102.70	1.35	0.029	86.43	115.46	1.34	0.052
ADY3	Protein required for spore wall formation	9.99	12.14	1.21	0.016	10.68	1.27	0.019	11.99	14.09	1.28	0.021

SPO75	Meiosis-specific protein of unknown function, required for spore wall formation	15.79	15.79	1.00	0.019	15.79	1.00	0.032	14.65	17.95	1.23	0.039
ISC10	Protein required for sporulation, transcript is induced 7.5 hours after induction	13.30	13.30	1.00	0.015	13.30	1.00	0.015	12.54	15.12	1.21	0.020
SSP2	Sporulation specific protein that localizes to the spore wall; required for sporulation	8.72	9.11	1.04	0.011	9.11	1.04	0.022	9.87	11.94	1.21	0.025
CRR1	Putative glycoside hydrolase of the spore wall envelope; required for normal sporulation	15.18	15.18	1.00	0.020	15.49	1.02	0.013	19.46	24.15	1.24	0.029
Potential agglutination proteins												
SPBC947.04 ^c	cell surface glycoprotein (predicted), DIPSY family, 47.5% homology with <i>S. pombe</i> adhesin Mam3	672.03	2843.93	4.23	0.030	1803.99	2.68	0.025	768.69	2624.16	3.41	0.027
SPBPJ4664.02	cell surface glycoprotein (predicted), 55.1% homologue with <i>S. cerevisiae</i> adhesin FLO11	656.27	1992.06	3.04	0.043	1303.66	1.99	0.015	99.37	245.91	2.47	0.014
SPAC186.01	cell surface glycoprotein (predicted), DIPSY family, 53.1% homology with <i>S. pombe</i> adhesin Mam3	238.95	538.90	2.26	0.019	624.70	2.61	0.032	249.55	500.35	2.01	0.039

Mug2	cell surface glycoprotein (predicted), DUF1773 family protein 1	141.85	224.85	1.59	0.011	171.37	1.21	0.018	76.99	111.07	1.44	0.025
SPCC569.01c	cell surface glycoprotein (predicted), DUF1773 family protein 5 /// cell surface	984.54	1433.52	1.46	0.043	1413.70	1.44	0.020	1080.74	1561.71	1.45	0.016
SPBC359.04c	cell surface glycoprotein (predicted), DIPSY family, 50.4% homology with S. pombe adhesin Map4	343.03	433.63	1.26	0.012	454.69	1.33	0.044	384.72	604.61	1.57	0.041
ecm33	cell wall protein Ecm33	4615.59	5854.92	1.27	0.022	5468.09	1.28	0.030	7788.34	8409.62	1.08	0.048
SPAC977.07c	cell surface glycoprotein (predicted) /// cell surface glycoprotein (predicted), 50.6% homology with S. pombe adhesin Map4	116.36	148.23	1.27	0.017	198.03	1.70	0.040	177.89	107.05	-1.66	0.015
Mam3	cell agglutination protein Mam3	726.13	490.05	-1.48	0.013	404.37	-1.80	0.049	637.44	820.46	1.29	0.030
Map4	cell surface agglutination protein Map4	645.40	603.04	-1.07	0.017	580.32	-1.11	0.034	688.65	903.50	1.31	0.028
Dan1	Cell wall mannoprotein with similarity to Tir1p, Tir2p, Tir3p, and Tir4p	24.60	22.35	-1.10	0.013	22.35	-1.10	0.045	21.01	26.98	1.28	0.026
Dan4	Cell wall mannoprotein with similarity to Tir1p, Tir2p, Tir3p, and Tir4p	27.99	27.99	1.00	0.018	26.97	-1.04	0.037	33.05	48.25	1.46	0.033

pau24	Cell wall mannoprotein with similarity to Tir1p, Tir2p, Tir3p, and Tir4p	19.45	20.09	1.03	0.015	19.45	1.00	0.051	32.76	43.41	1.33	0.037
ccw12	Cell wall mannoprotein, mutants are defective in mating and agglutination	62.03	62.03	1.00	0.018	62.03	1.00	0.016	100.66	122.61	1.22	0.049

^a: Annotations are from Gene DB (<http://www.genedb.org/genedb/pombe/index.jsp>).

^b: Bold numbers indicated >1.2 fold change (P<0.05).

^c: Changes in transcripts level were confirmed by QPCR.

TABLE S2. PCR primers* used in this study

Primer	Sequence
Primers for target gene deletion	
<i>rpl32-1</i> deletion	
RPL32-1D1	5'-gtgctgtattggttcatatTTtaataag-3'
RPL32-1D2	5'-gcaagctaaacagatctgtttcgaccgttgc-3'
RPL32-1D3	5'-cgccatccagttaaaattaaaaagctattc-3'
RPL32-1D4	5'-gttcgtttaataacattgaagctcaag-3'
<i>rpl32-2</i> deletion	
RPL32-2D1	5'-cagcgagagcggttagtcgttgac-3'
RPL32-2D2	5'-gcaagctaaacagatcttctgttgtgggtg-3'
RPL32-2D3	5'-aaaaatatacaatgtaccaggatg-3'
RPL32-2D4	5'-cgccatccagttaaaattagaatcacgacttag-3'
<i>rpl21-2</i> deletion	
RPL21-2D1	5'-tagttctgaataagcgcaacataa-3'
RPL21-2D2	5'-gctaaacagatctgtgttcctg-3'
RPL21-2D3	5'-catccagttaaaattaaaaagaatg-3'
RPL21-2D4	5'-tttgcagcctcacgaatgt-3'
<i>rpl9-2</i> deletion	
RPL9-2D1	5'-cactttccatcggtccagaa-3'
RPL9-2D2	5'-gctaaacagatctgttgatgttgg-3'
RPL9-2D3	5'-catccagttaaaatgtatcacatgc-3'
RPL9-2D4	5'-catcctcgatacattattgtaattttg-3'
<i>mpg</i> deletion	
Mpg-D1	5'-caatcttcagcgtagtgcgtgaag-3'
Mpg-D2	5'-gctaaacagatctaatacgaaatatac-3'
Mpg-D3	5'-ccatccagttaaagatactacatttaac-3'
Mpg-D4	5'-agcaaattaagaaatctcaagaagaag-3'
<i>fbp</i> deletion	
Fbp-D1	5'-ctttagatcacttaatgttagcttacgg-3'
Fbp-D2	5'-gctaaacagatctgtcgatcttaatg-3'
Fbp-D3	5'-ccatccagttaaaagaaaattcttt-3'
Fbp-D4	5'-cgctatTTTgttagttttcgatatc-3'
Primers for gene expression in <i>S. pombe</i>	
<i>RPL32-1</i> expression	
upL32-1	5'- <u>atccc</u> atatgatggctgcaatcaacattgtc-3' (<i>Nde</i> I)
doL32-1	5'- <u>gcagg</u> gatccctaagcgccaagatgtc-3' (<i>Bam</i> H I)

RPL32-2 expression

upL32-2	5'-atccc <u>atatgatggctgcgtcaat</u> tcatc-3' (<i>Nde</i> I)
doL32-2	5'-gcagg <u>gatcc</u> tactc <u>cgt</u> gagagcgaatt-3' (<i>Bam</i> H I)

KanMX6 expression

upMX6	5'-atccc <u>atatgatgggt</u> aaggaaag-3' (<i>Nde</i> I)
doMX6	5'-gcagg <u>gatcc</u> gattagaaaaactcatcgag-3' (<i>Bam</i> H I)

Primers for QPCR

rpl32-1

SP3201F	5'-ggctgcaatcaacattgtcaaaaagcg-3'
SP3201R	5'-gttcgacatc <u>agagacatt</u> gcgaacaag-3'

rpl32-2

SP3202F	5'-ggctgctgt <u>caat</u> atcat <u>caaga</u> agcg-3'
SP3202R	5'-gct <u>caacat</u> ctgaa <u>acgttacggact</u> ag-3'

beta-actin

SPACTF	5'-ggattc <u>cctacgttggt</u> gaagctc-3'
SPACTR	5'-gggt <u>caaaggaggc</u> c <u>ctcaaac</u> -3'

rpl30-1

SP3001F	5'-ctgtgg <u>ttacca</u> agaagt <u>cta</u> aaaagagc-3'
SP3001R	5'-c <u>agcgtaatgg</u> taacattgcc-3'

rpl30-2

SP3002F	5'-gctgc <u>accattacc</u> actgcacc-3'
SP3002R	5'-ctgt <u>agtgg</u> tacag <u>aggcagcg</u> -3'

rps10-1

SP1001F	5'-g <u>caaagctatt</u> cat <u>caagcc</u> tttttc-3'
SP1001R	5'-g <u>gttaacc</u> cat <u>cagcaga</u> gc-3'

rps10-2

SP1002F	5'-gg <u>ccattcat</u> ca <u>aggctt</u> gtcc-3'
SP1002R	5'-cc <u>agcatcagcagc</u> agc-3'

Primers for gene expression in *E. coli*

RPL32-2 expression

upL32-2	5'-c <u>agtgaatt</u> cat <u>ggctgcgt</u> caat <u>atc</u> -3' (<i>Eco</i> R I)
doL32-2	5'-gc <u>agctcgagtt</u> act <u>cgt</u> gag <u>agc</u> att-3' (<i>Xho</i> I)

Primers for determination of haploid and diploid yeast cells

MT1	5'-aga <u>agagag</u> agt <u>ttgaag</u> -3'
MP	5'-ac <u>ggtagt</u> cat <u>cggttt</u> cc-3'
MM	5'-ta <u>cgtt</u> c <u>agtgata</u> cgtagtg-3'

*, all the oligonucleotide primers were synthesized by Sangon Corporation (Shanghai, China).