

## Supplementary Figures

**FIGURE S1. Bioinformatic analyses of Ndufaf5 and BioC.** (A) Alignment of Ndufaf5 and BioC proteins suggests that they might be truly orthologs. Figure shows both Ndufaf5 isoforms from human, *Dictyostelium* Ndufaf5 and BioC proteins from *E.coli* and *C.crescentus*. Grey intensity represents the identity percentage. Asterisks represent conserved amino acids cited in the text (G86, L165 and L235). (B) Phylogenetic tree of Ndufaf5-BioC family. Ndufaf5 protein from human, *D.discoideum* and a representative group of orthologs in  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\gamma$ -proteobacteria (19 proteins), obtained previously using Blast, were used. Branch lengths represent % of evolution. The number between brackets are Uniprot entries. NA, Not Annotated.

**FIGURE S2. *ndufaf5*<sup>-</sup> growth rates are complemented in *ndufaf5*<sup>-</sup> Rescue strain but not by AMPK inhibition.** (A) Growth rates in association with bacteria (SM plates) were obtained from at least 3 independent experiments. Numbers between brackets indicate the copy number of the AMPK<sup>as</sup> construct. (B) A representative experiment of growth in HL5 liquid medium is shown. Numbers between brackets indicate the copy number of the AMPK<sup>as</sup> construct.

### FIGURE S3.

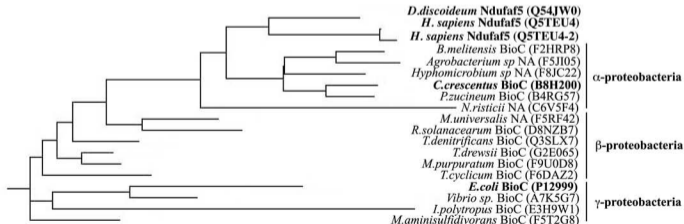
Confocal analyses of GFP-Atg18 and mitochondria I. Wild-type, *ndufaf5*<sup>-</sup> and *midA*<sup>-</sup> growing cells transfected with the autophagic marker GFP-Atg18 were stained with the mitochondrial marker Mitotracker Red, fixed and visualized by confocal microscopy. No colocalization was observed. Bar, 10  $\mu$ m.

**FIGURE S4.** Confocal analyses of GFP-Atg18 and mitochondria II. Wild-type, *ndufaf5*<sup>-</sup> and *midA*<sup>-</sup> growing cells transfected with the autophagic marker GFP-Atg18 were fixed, stained with DAPI and visualized by confocal microscopy. Nuclei and mitochondria were stained by DAPI (Red color was assigned to the fluorescence emission of DAPI). The signal was not found to colocalize with GFP-Atg18 puncta. Bar, 10  $\mu$ m.

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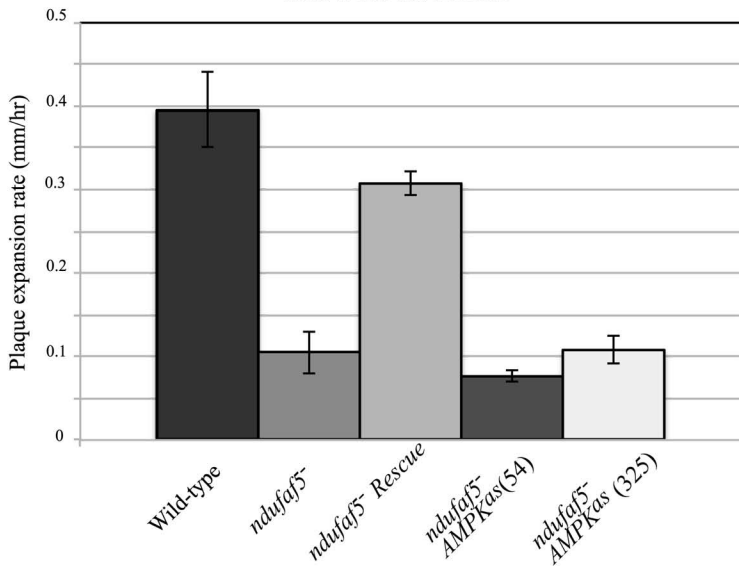
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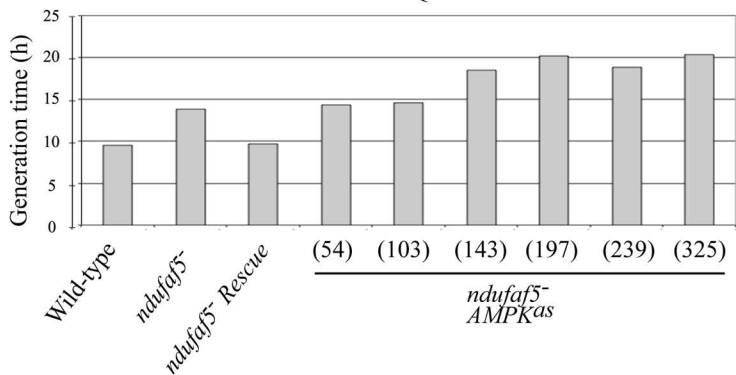


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## GROWTH ON PLATE

**B**

## GROWTH IN LIQUID MEDIUM

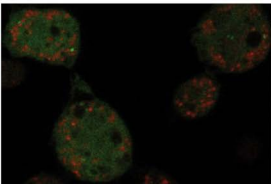
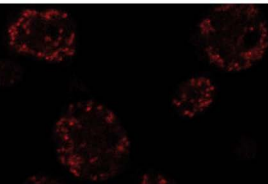
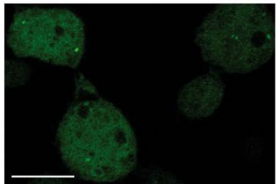
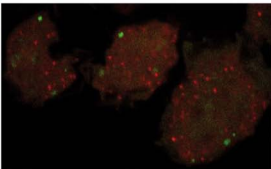
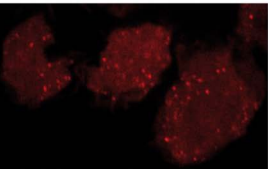
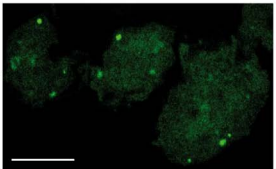
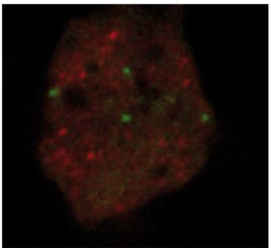
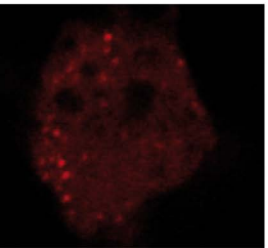
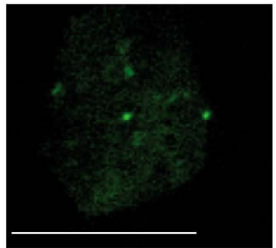


GFP-Atg18

Mitotracker Red

Merge

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*ndufaf5*<sup>-</sup>*midA*<sup>-</sup>

GFP-Atg18

DAPI

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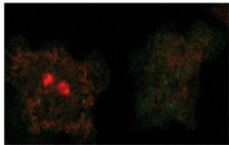
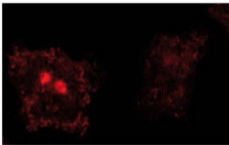
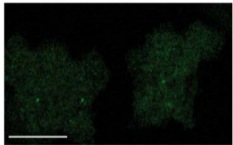
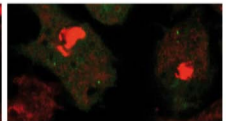
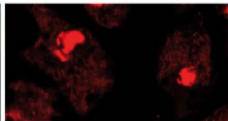
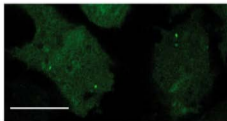
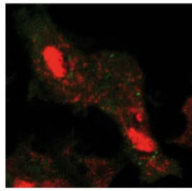
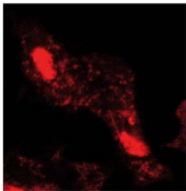
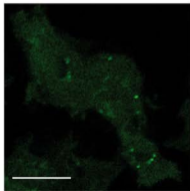
*ndufaf5*<sup>-</sup>*midA*<sup>-</sup>

TABLE S1. Oligonucleotides used for KO verification and site- directed mutagenesis

<b>EXPERIMENT</b>	<b>OLIGO FORWARD</b>	<b>OLIGO REVERSE</b>
<b>GENOMIC KO VERIFICATION</b>	1. AACTTGAGAATCCAATAGTTGC	2. CAAATAATAATTAACCAACCCAAG
<b>RNA KO VERIFICATION</b>	3.TAGGATCCATGTTAAGAACAACATTTAGAAAAGG	4. CCCAATGTAATGAGAAATTACTTATAATTAATC
<b>CONTROL (DDB_G0268840)</b>	5.CGGGATCCGCATGTAACATCCAAAGATTTTAG	6.CGGGATCCCTATATTATTATTTTTTAATAAATCAAATGG
<b>DIRECTED MUTAGENESIS M1</b>	7.GGTAATGTTTTAGATTTTGTAGTAGAAATGGAGC	8.GCTCCATTTCTACTAACAAAATCTAAAACATTACC
<b>DIRECTED MUTAGENESIS M2</b>	9. GATTAATTATAAGTAATTTCTCATTACATTGGG	10. CCCAATGTAATGAGAAATTACTTATAATTAATC
<b>DIRECTED MUTAGENESIS M3</b>	11. GATATTGGTAACATTCCATCAAAGAATAGATAC	12. GTATCTATTCTTTGATGGAATGTTACCAATATC

Organism	E-value	Eukaryote	Bacteria	GenBank accession
<i>Polysphondylium</i>	7e-102	Metazoa		EFA86651.1
<i>Drosophila</i>	3e-67	Metazoa		NP_610922.1
<i>Laccaria</i>	6e-66	Fungi		XP_001877001.1
<i>Danio rerio</i>	3e-65	Metazoa		NP_001076363.1
<i>Xenopus</i>	2e-64	Metazoa		NP_001016398.1
<i>Homo sapiens</i>	6e-62	Metazoa		NP_077025.2
<i>Mus musculus</i>	2e-60	Metazoa		NP_081369.2
<i>Anopheles</i>	4e-60	Metazoa		XP_309862.3
<i>Aspergillus</i>	8e-60	Fungi		XP_662522.1
<i>Neurospora</i>	4e-57	Fungi		XP_956725.2
<i>Pichia</i>	9e-54	Fungi		XP_002492537.1
<i>Yarrowia</i>	5e-51	Fungi		XP_501354.1
<i>Oriza sativa</i>	2e-50	Plantae		EEC69002.1
<i>Vitis vinifera</i>	4e-50	Plantae		XP_002279511.1
<i>Arabidopsis</i>	1e-46	Plantae		XP_002890535.1
<i>Rhodospirillum</i>	5e-46		alphaproteobacteria	YP_425827.1
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<i>Rhodomicrobium</i>	1e-45		alphaproteobacteria	YP_004013051.1
<i>Ochrobactrum</i>	4e-45		alphaproteobacteria	YP_001369577.1
<i>Brucella</i>	6e-44		alphaproteobacteria	YP_001628309.1
<i>Agrobacterium</i>	3e-41		alphaproteobacteria	NP_357097.2
<i>Caenorhabditis</i>	7e-41	Metazoa		NP_496949.1
<i>Rhodoseudomonas</i>	1e-40		alphaproteobacteria	YP_530416.1
<i>Rickettsi</i>	4e-19		alphaproteobacteria	YP_001492229.1

**TABLE S2.** Phylogenetic distribution of Ndufaf5 homologous proteins. *Dictyostelium* Ndufaf5 protein was subjected to Blast and representative homologous showing significant E-values and covering most of the sequence were selected from prokaryotes, metazoan, plants and fungi kingdoms.