

## SUPPLEMENTARY EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURES

### *Yeast two-hybrid assay*

The yeast two hybrid assay was performed according to described in Assmann (2006) [01] and was performed with the baits SCOCO (2-82) and SCOCO (2-65) and prey FEZ1 (221-392).

### *In silico modeling*

According to the YASARA homology modeling routine, an alignment with the target sequence is obtained using different sources of information such as: sequence-based profiles and structure-based profiles for both the target and the template. A structure-based alignment correction, based on SSALN matrices [02], considers structural information in order to avoid gaps in secondary structure elements [03]. The presented alignment (Supplementary Figure 4), in which 20 of the 47 template profile alignments are displayed, 227 of 392 target residues accounting for 57.9% its total sequence were aligned to template residues. Amongst these residues, sequence identity if 18.9% and 39.9% are similar, BLOSUM62 score > 0 and 16 loops had to be modeled (Supplementary Table 1). The final model based on the template with pdb id 1XD4 had a Z-Score of 0.366 for dihedral, -3.052 for Packing 1D, -1.743 for Packing 3D and an overall of -1.947, thus being a satisfactory model. Per residue Z-score can be seen on Supplementary Figure 5.

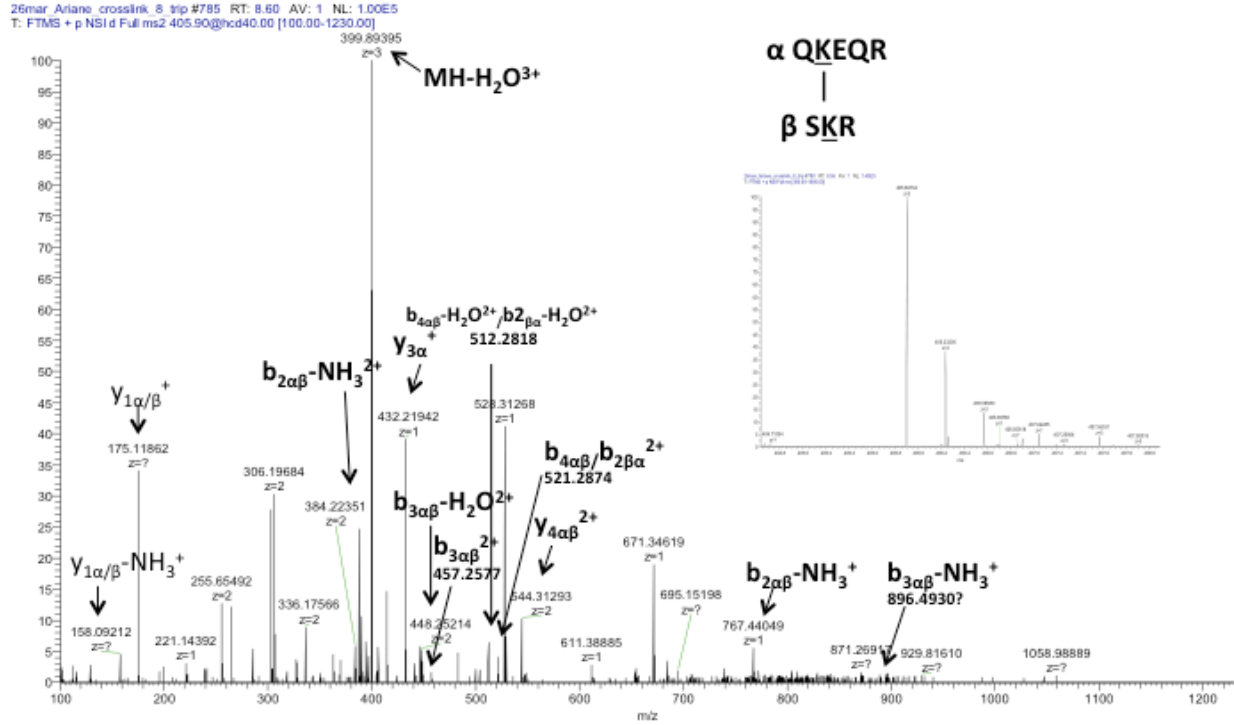
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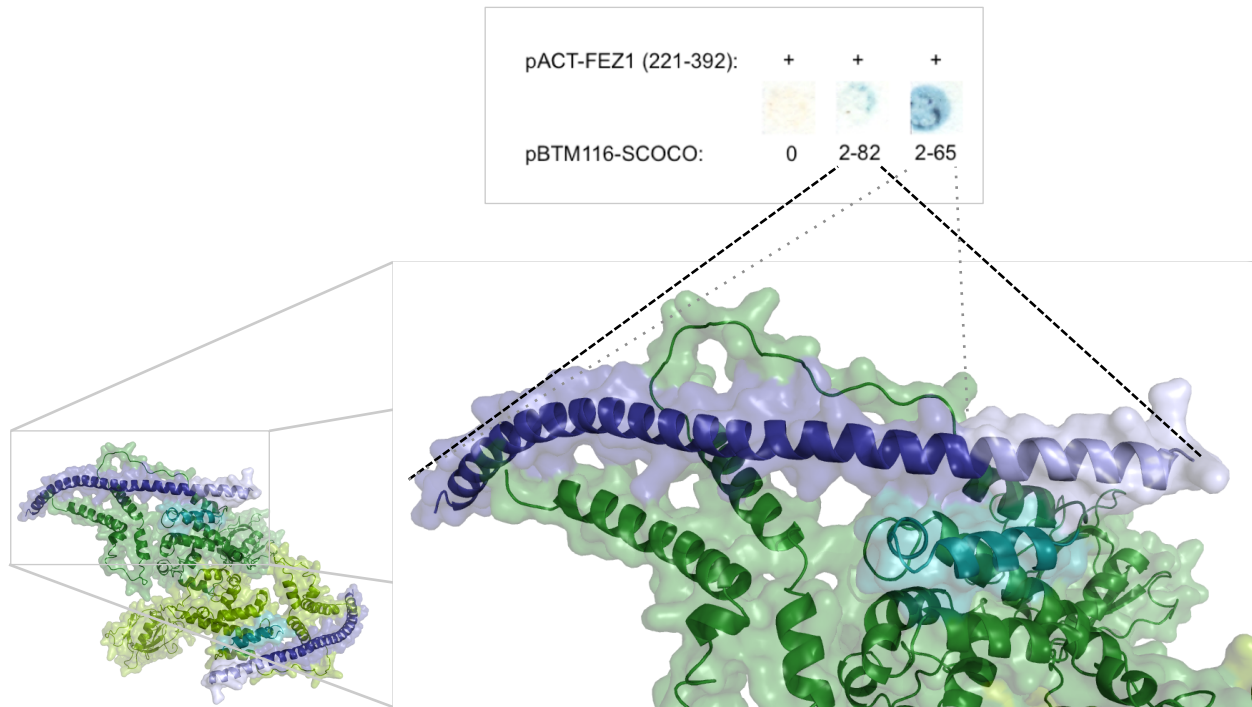
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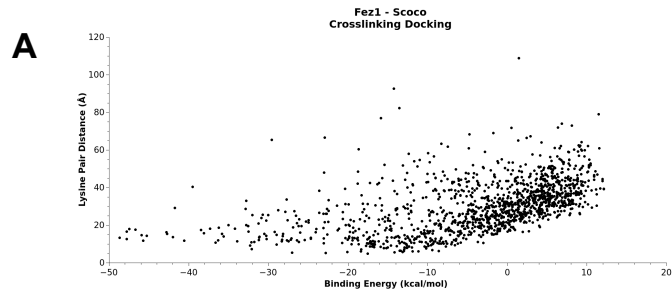
## SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURES



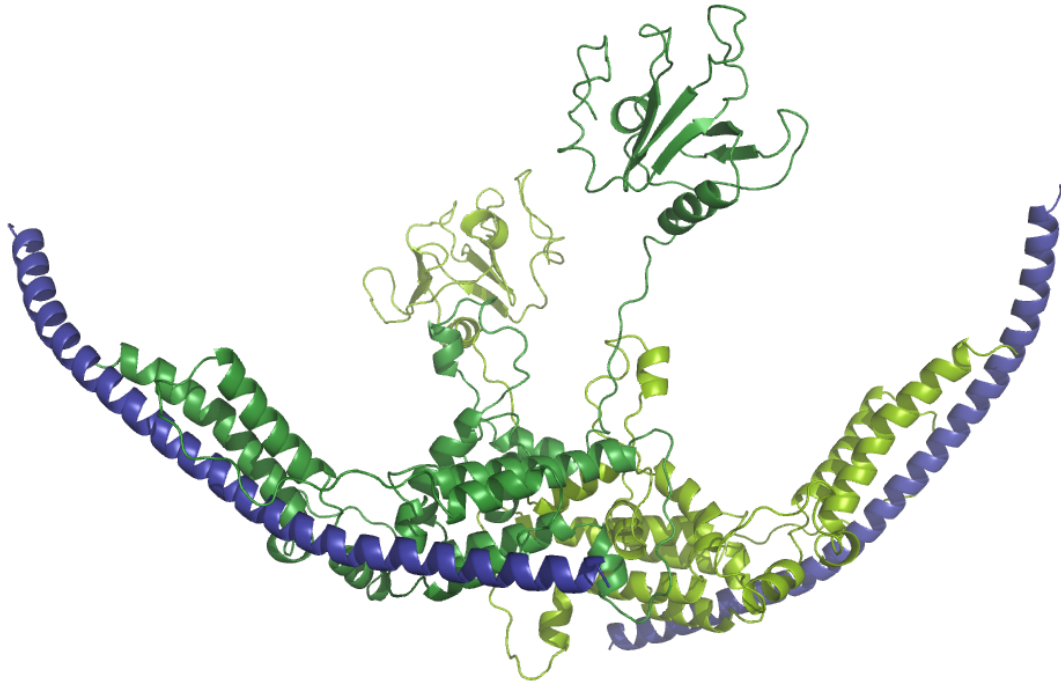
**SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURE 1.** Interaction between FEZ1 and SCOCO in an independent experiment A) Purified recombinant proteins FEZ1 and SCOCO were incubated, chemically cross-linked, digested with trypsin, and analyzed by MS. MS/MS spectra were manually validated for b and y ion series of the  $\alpha$  (peptide of FEZ1) and  $\beta$  (peptide of SCOCO) chains. The same peptides were found in two independent experiments.



**SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURE 2.** Assay for  $\beta$ -galactosidase activity in yeast cells shows that FEZ1 (221-392) interacts with the coiled-coil region of SCOCO (2-82 and 2-65) and no interaction was detected with the empty vector pBTM116 (0). In the model, FEZ1 is shown in green and SCOCO in deep blue. The SCOCO region used in the two-hybrid assay is shown in light blue. The highlighted helix in cyan corresponds to the minimal interaction region in FEZ1/UNC-76 with SCOCO/UNC-69.



**B**



**SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURE 3.** A) Relationship between binding energy and cross-linked lysine pair distance between FEZ1 and SCOCO. It was possible to obtain models from the docking routine that exhibit both optimal C $\alpha$ -C $\alpha$  distance between lysine pairs ( $>20$  Å) and favorable binding energy. B) General model of FEZ1-SCOCO in heterotetrameric fashion (ratio 2:2). FEZ1 is colored in green and SCOCO in deep blue.



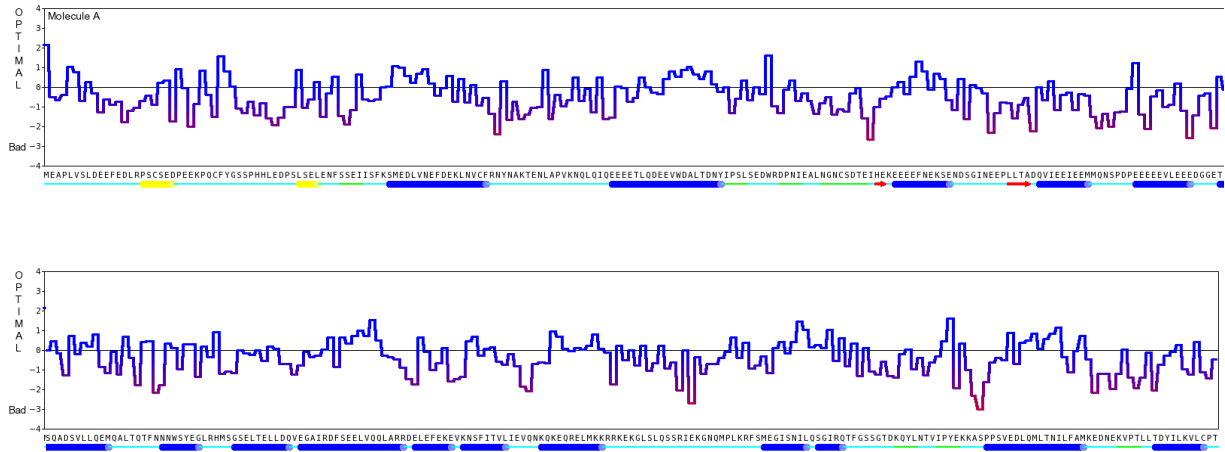


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(AL) [Secondary structure assigned by YASARA]  
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**SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURE 4 (part 3/3). Profile alignment of 20 templates for FEZ1 protein.**

### MODEL QUALITY PER RESIDUE



**SUPPLEMENTARY FIGURE 5.** Per residue Z-score of FEZ1 protein modeling



## SUPPLEMENTARY TABLE 1

Supplementary Table 1. Modeled loops in FEZ1 protein

Loop	N-terminal anchor	Loop sequence	C-terminal anchor
1	LQSSR	IEKGNQMPLKRFSMEGISNILQSGIRQTFGSSGTDKQ	YLNTV
2	IHEKE	EEEFNEKSENDSGINE	EPLLT
3	DNEKV	PTLLT	DYILK
4	LQEMQ	ALTQTFN	NNWSY
5	HLEDP	SLSELENFSS	EISF
6	EIEEM	MQNS	PDPEE
7	ELMKK	RRKEKGLS	LQSSR
8	EVWDA	LTDNYIPSLSEDWRDPNIEALNGN	CSDTE
9	LFAMK	EDN	EKVPT
10	NVCFR	NYNAKTENLAPVKNQLQIQ	EEEEET
11	ELEFE	KEV	KNSFI
12	ITVLI	EVQN	KQKEQ
13	WSYEG	LRHMS	GSELT
14	QYLNT	VIPYEKKA	SPPSV
15	DEEFE	DLRPSCSEDPEEKPCQCFYGSSPH	HLEDP
16	None	MEAP	LVSLD