

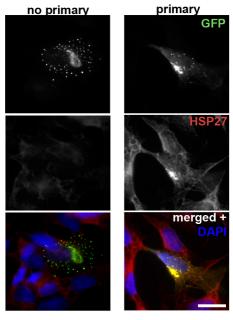
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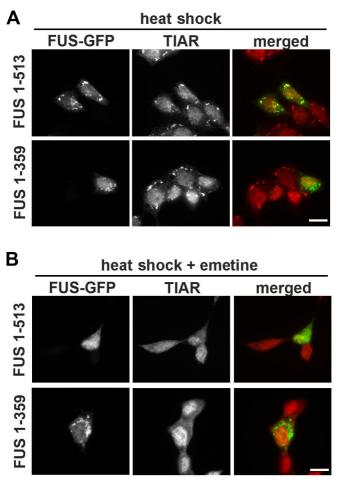
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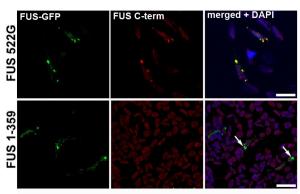
Recruitment into stress granules prevents irreversible aggregation of FUS protein mislocalized to the cytoplasm

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## **Supplementary Video and Figure Legends**

Application Suite AF software.

Video S1. Formation of small cytoplasmic aggregates of the FUS 1-359 protein.

Multiple small aggregates of GFP-FUS 1-359 protein (green) are formed throughout the cytoplasm of cells few hours after transfection with a corresponding plasmid.

Time-lapse microscopy using Leica TCS SP2 MP confocal microscope (Fluotar L 63x0.70 oil objective). A sequence of images taken with 8 min intervals over a period of approximately 4 hours was further transformed into a movie using Leica

Video S2. Fusion and translocation of small cytoplasmic aggregates of the FUS 1-359 protein. Large juxtanuclear aggresome is formed by fusion of smaller aggregates (appearing as a small round puncta) initially dispersed throughout the cytoplasm of cells expressing GFP-FUS 1-359 protein (green) after transient transfection of SH-SY5Y cells with a corresponding plasmid. Time-lapse microscopy using Leica TCS SP2 MP confocal microscope (Fluotar L 63x0.70 oil objective). A sequence of images taken with 8 min intervals over a period of approximately 4 hours was further transformed into a movie using Leica Application Suite AF software.

Fig. S1. Large perinuclear structures formed by FUS 1-359 are positive for small chaperone HSP27, a typical constituent of aggresome. Control immunostaining in the absence of primary anti-HSP27 antibody (left panels) demonstrates that the observed signal in the red cannel (right panels) is not due to the bleeding-through of green GFP fluorescence.

Fig. S2. Truncated FUS 1-359 is not recruited into stress granules upon heat shock. FUS 1-513 but not FUS 1-359 is recruited into TIAR-positive stress granules upon heat shock (43°C for 1 hour) (**A**) and heat shock induced stress granules containing FUS 1-513 are dissipated upon concurrent emetine treatment, while FUS 1-359 aggregates remain intact (**B**). Scale bars: 20  $\mu$ m for all panels.

Fig. S3. Antibody against C-terminal epitope of FUS does not detect FUS 1-359 and therefore can be used for specific localization of full-length variants in cotransfection experiments. FUS R522G but not FUS 1-359 (arrows) expressed in SH-SY5Y neuroblastoma cells are recognized by an antibody against C-terminus of FUS. Scale bar:  $35 \mu m$  the top and  $45 \mu m$  for the bottom panel.