

**Centromeric barrier disruption leads to mitotic defects in *Schizosaccharomyces pombe***

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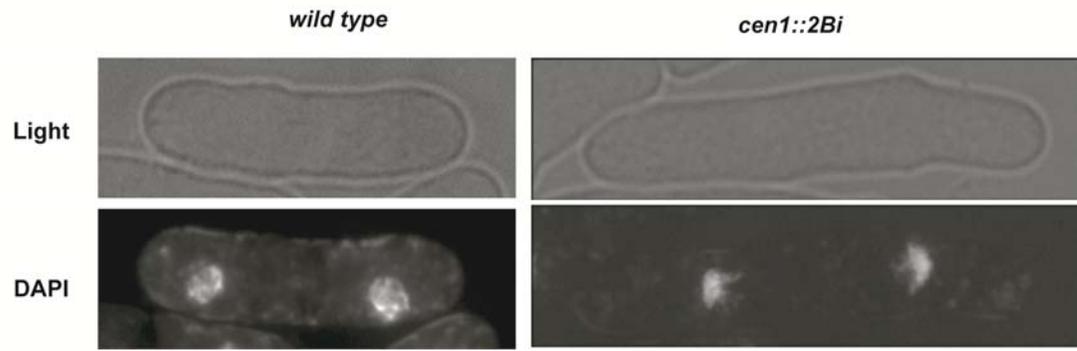
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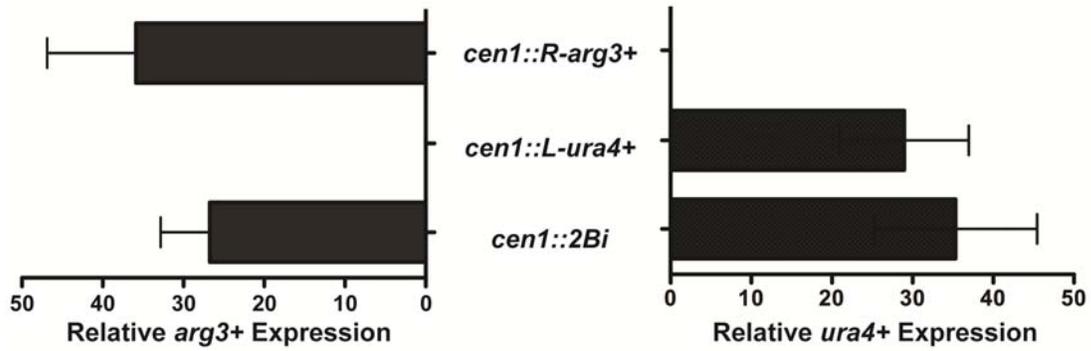
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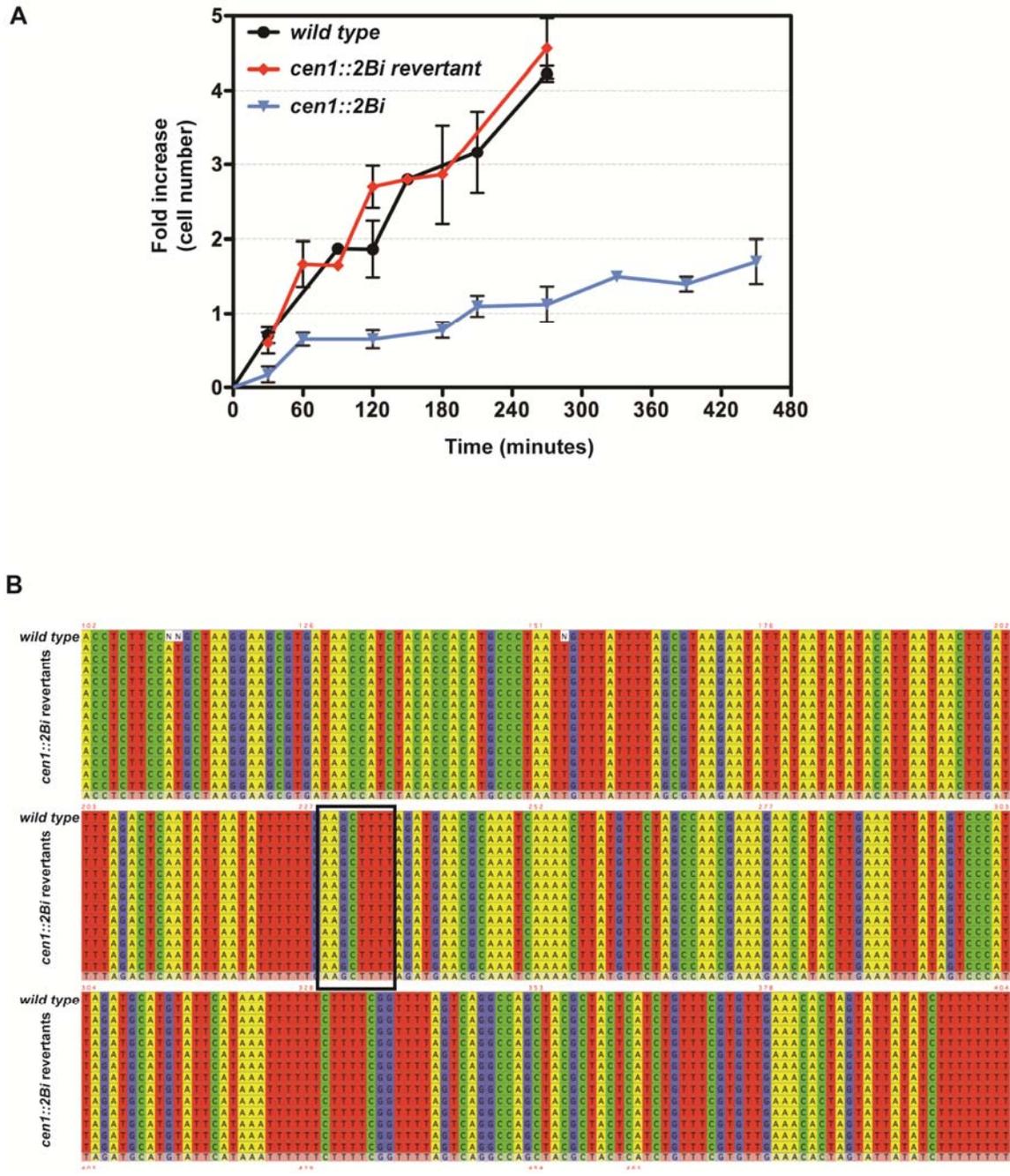
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**Figure S1** The *cen1::2Bi* mutant displays abnormally long morphology. Light and fluorescence microscopy images of binuclear cells of the indicated ethanol-fixed strains with DAPI staining of the DNA.



**Figure S2** Barriers are intact in the *cen1::2Bi* mutant. Relative *ura4*<sup>+</sup> and *arg3*<sup>+</sup> gene expression in *cen1::L-ura4+*, *cen1::R-arg3+* and *cen1::2Bi* strains. Reporter gene expression was assayed by quantitative RT-PCR and values are reported as expression relative to an internal control, *act1*<sup>+</sup>.



**Figure S3** The *cen1::2Bi* revertant strains have wild-type growth kinetics and sequence. (A) Growth kinetics of *cen1::2Bi* revertant strains in non-selective media at 32°C. For comparison, the kinetics of WT and *cen1::2Bi* strains in selective media at 32°C are also displayed. These data are identical to those in Figure 1C. (B) Partial sequence analysis of *cen1::2Bi* revertant strains. The site of reporter gene insertion (Hind III site) is boxed.

**Quantitative RT-PCR**

Total nucleic acid was isolated from logarithmically growing cells in YES or PMG –*ura-arg* media at 32°C and was then subjected to DNAse treatment and RT-PCR using oligodT as a primer (Scott, *et al.*, 2006). Expression was analyzed by quantitative PCR using SYBR Green on a BioRad iCycler using primers specific to the integrated copy of *ura4<sup>+</sup>* or *arg3<sup>+</sup>* and normalized to expression from the *act1<sup>+</sup>* locus.

**Table S1 List of yeast strains used in this study.**

	Genotype
KFY503	<i>h<sup>90</sup> pCen1-3C (ura3<sup>+</sup>) ade6-210 leu1-32 his3D arg3D4 ura4 293</i>
KFY1174	<i>h<sup>90</sup> pCen1-3C (ura3<sup>+</sup>)imr(ΔalaΔglu)::ade6<sup>+</sup> ade6DN/N arg3D4 his3D leu1032 ura4 293</i>
KFY1175	<i>h<sup>90</sup> pCen1-3C (ura3<sup>+</sup>)imr(ΔalaΔglu)::ade6<sup>+</sup> ade6DN/N arg3D4 his3D leu1032 ura4 293</i>
KFY556	<i>h+ imr1L(Hind III)::ura4<sup>+</sup> leu1-32 ade6-210 ura4D18 arg3D4 his3D</i>
KFY557	<i>h- imr1L(Hind III)::ura4<sup>+</sup> leu1-32 ade6-210 ura4D18 arg3D4 his3D</i>
KFY1568	<i>h+ imr1R (HindIII)::arg3<sup>+</sup> ura4D18 his3D arg4D4 leu1-32 ade6DN/N</i>
KFY1569	<i>h- imr1R (HindIII)::arg3<sup>+</sup> ura4D18 his3D arg4D4 leu1-32 ade6DN/N</i>
KFY1597	<i>h- imr1R (HindIII)::arg3<sup>+</sup> imr1L (HindIII)::ura4 ura4D18 his3D arg3D4 leu1-32 ade6-210</i>
KFY1598	<i>h<sup>90</sup> imr1R (HindIII)::arg3<sup>+</sup> imr1L (HindIII)::ura4<sup>+</sup> ura4D18 his3D arg3D4 leu1-32 ade6-210</i>
KFY1629	<i>h- imr1R (HindIII)::arg3<sup>+</sup> imr1L (HindIII)::ura4<sup>+</sup> ura4D18 his3D arg3D4 leu1-32 ade6-210</i>
KFY1703	<i>h<sup>+</sup> cdc25-22 leu1-32 ura4D18 arg3D4 his3D</i>
KFY1871	<i>h? imr1R (HindIII)::arg3<sup>+</sup> imr1L (HindIII)::ura4<sup>+</sup> cdc25-22 ura4D18 his3D arg3D4 leu1-32 ade6-210</i>
KFY1912	<i>h- ars1(MluI)::pREP41XCnp1(Leu2+) leu1-32</i>

**Table S2 List of primers used in this study.**

Primer Name	Sequence	Use
47332339	CGGGATCCGGTTCGAAAAAATTCATCCC	amplify <i>arg3</i> <sup>+</sup>
47332340	CGGGATCCAAATTGATCCATCCCCTT	amplify <i>arg3</i> <sup>+</sup>
5055	GCAAACACATTAATTCTCATGAATTTAGAGATTT CCATTAATAACTTGATTTTAGACTCAATATTAATATT	Δala
5056	AAATATTAATATTGAGTCTAAAACAAGTTATTAATG GAAATCTCTAAATTCATGAGAATTAATGTGTTTGC	Δala
5057	AAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAGAGATAATTTTTTTATAAGC TACTTTTTATTTGAAATTA	Δglu
5058	TTAATTTCAAATAAAAAAGTAGCTTATAAAAAAAT TATCTCTTTTTTTTTTTTTTTT	Δglu
6705	CGCGGATCCATTGTTFTACCAACTGCT	pcr check
6708	CGCGGATCCTCGCAGCCTTCAATAACT	pcr check
7453	AATCCAACCGTGAGAAGATGA	Actin RT
7454	ACGACCAGAGGCATACAAAGA	Actin RT
BW84F	CGGCATCGCTTGTACTTTTT	panhet RT
BW84R	GACGGAACCAATGATGTGA	panhet RT
5373	AAATCACCGGAGCAATGTTT	Site1 RT
5374	AAACACCATGGTTTGTTTGTTA	Site1 RT
5375	TCATTCGTTGTACCAACTGCT	Site2 RT
5376	TGTGTTTGCCATCTTACAATTCA	Site2 RT
201301	TGCGGTTGAGTGTAGGAAAA	Site3 RT
201302	CTGATAGCACATAAACTTTATCATCA	Site3 RT
201307	GCCAGACTTTCTTAGGATATGAATT	cen2het_imr2F
201308	CATCAGTTCGAAATCATTCTACTTG	cen2het_imr2R
201309	TTGTTGCCGCACTTGATG	cen3het_imr3F
201310	TCATGCATACATTACCGATCTACC	cen3het_imr3R