

Figure S1. **Single cell analysis of chromatin/centromere-SPB contacts in *bqt1Δ* meiotic cells.** All movies represented were acquired using 10-min time-lapse intervals. (A) Schematic explaining the vectors used to represent each individual cell (see Material and methods).  $t = 0$  is the time point 10 min before spindle formation. Each observed chromatin-SPB contact (C and D, in strains lacking tagged centromere proteins but harboring tagged histone H3) or centromere-SPB contact (E and F, in strains harboring tagged centromeric Mis6) is represented by a vector whose length indicates the duration of the contact. Contacts are grouped according to accumulated contact duration (greater contact durations on left side of each graph). (B) Key for schematic: red dots indicate the start of analysis for zygotes in which karyogamy was not observed (i.e., zygotes that had undergone karyogamy before filming began); black dots indicate the start of analysis of zygotes in which karyogamy was observed. In E and F, asterisks indicate contact mediated by a centromere. (G-J) Vector graphs include only those cells displaying proper MI spindle formation. (G) Analyses using Mis6-GFP as a centromere marker. The faintness of this marker leads to the appearance of cells showing no apparent centromere-SPB contact. Using the brighter Swi6-GFP as a marker for centromeres, we observed contact throughout in all *hrs1Δ bqt1Δ* and *dhc1Δ bqt1Δ* cells (not depicted). Data in C and D, E and F, G, and H-J are represented by bar graphs in Fig. 1 D, Fig. 2 (D-G), Figs. 3 F and 4 (G-I), and Fig. 6 E, respectively.

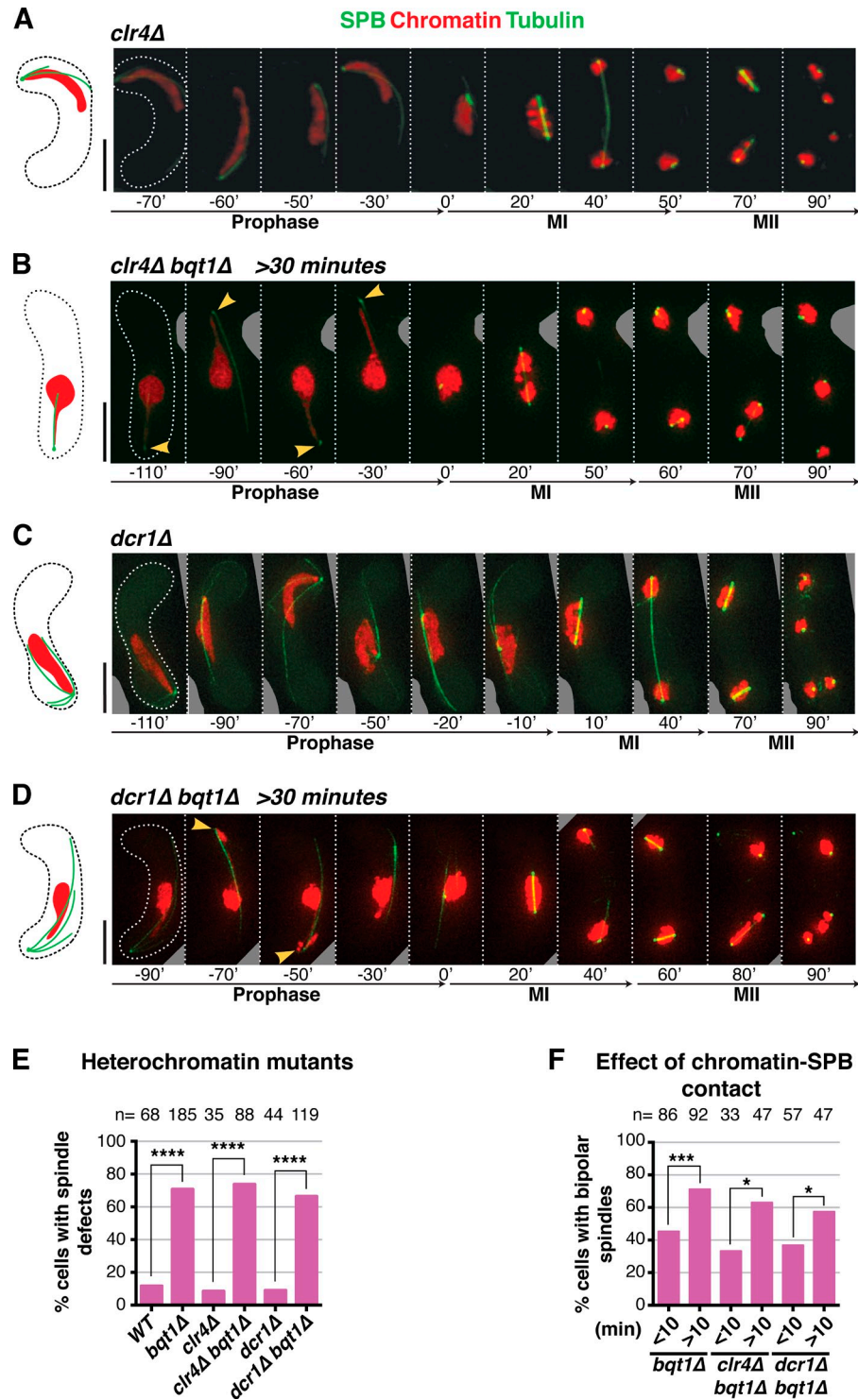


Figure S2. Rescue of the *bqt1Δ* spindle defect by centromere-SPB contact requires neither *Clr4* nor *Dcr1*. [A–D] Series of frames of films of meiocytes carrying tags as in Fig. 1. Numbering as in Fig. 1. Bars, 5  $\mu$ m. (A) *clr4Δ* zygotes show proper bipolar spindle formation. (B) *clr4Δ bqt1Δ* zygote showing persistent contact (indicated by yellow arrowheads) followed by bipolar spindle formation. (C) *dcr1Δ* zygote with WT-like spindle formation. (D) *dcr1Δ bqt1Δ* zygote showing persistent contact (indicated by yellow arrowheads) followed by bipolar spindle formation. (E) Quantitation of the overall spindle defects at MI and MII. (F) Quantitation of bipolar MI spindle formation as a function of chromatin-SPB contact. *n* is the total number of cells scored from at least two (E) and more than five (F) independent experiments. \*\*\*\*,  $P < 0.0001$ ; \*\*\*,  $0.0001 < P < 0.001$ ; \*,  $0.01 < P < 0.05$ .

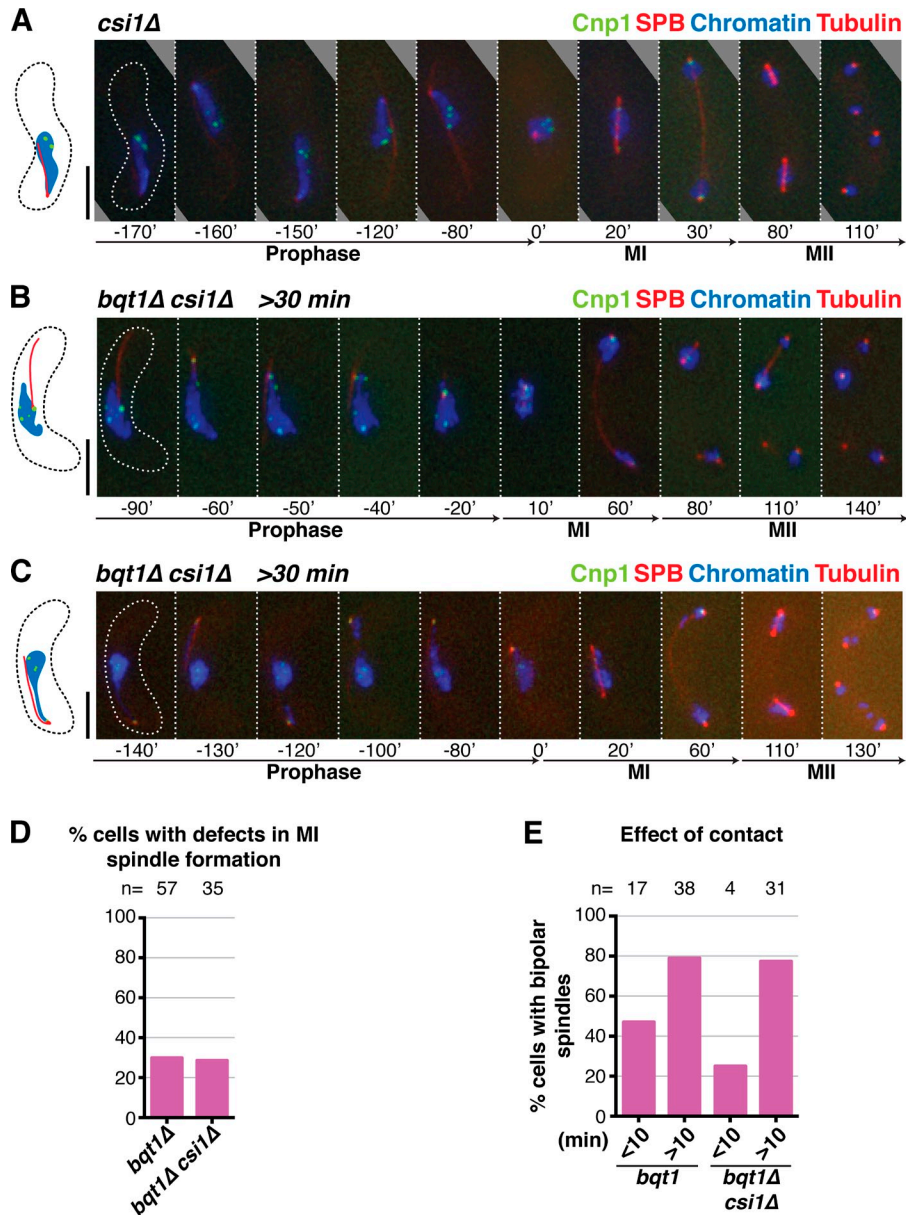


Figure S3. **Centromere-SPB interactions and spindle rescue in *bqt1Δ* meiotic cells occurs independently of Csi1.** (A–C) Series of frames of films from meiotic cells harboring the tags detailed in Fig. 2 H. Numbering as in Fig. 1. Bars, 5  $\mu$ m. (A) *csi1Δ* zygotes show normal meiotic progression. (B and C) *bqt1Δ csi1Δ* zygotes displaying >30-min contact preceding successful bipolar spindle formation. (D) Quantitation of deficiency in MI spindle formation. (E) Quantitation of the effect of centromere-SPB contact on bipolar MI spindle formation. Contact occurs to the same extent and with the same effect with or without Csi1. *n* is the total number of cells scored from greater than three independent experiments.

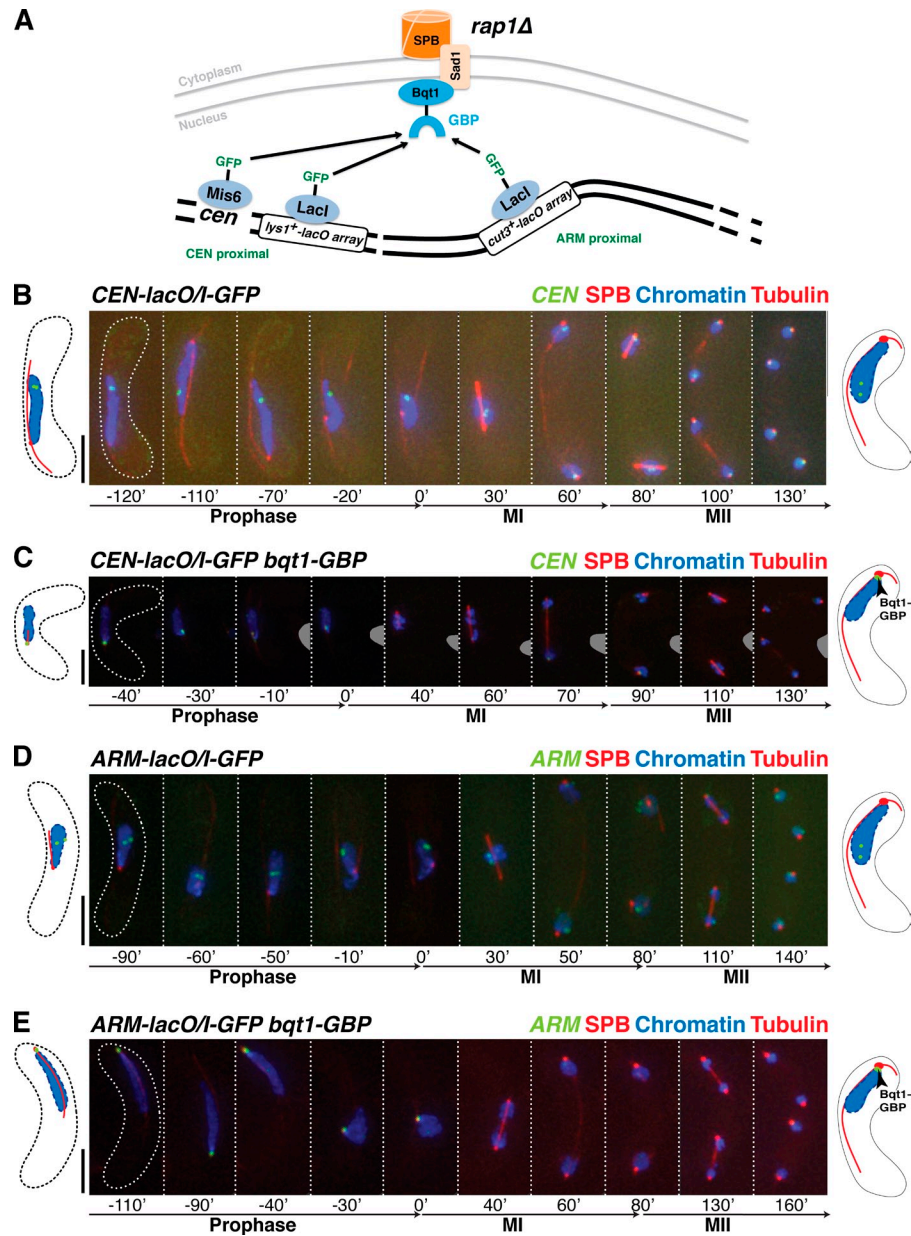


Figure S4. **Forcing SPB interactions with specific genomic loci does not affect meiotic progression in a bouquet-proficient background (controls for Fig. 7).** (A) Schematic of the GBP-GFP system used to force CEN-proximal and ARM-proximal (euchromatic) SPB interactions. (B–E) Frames of films of meiocytes harboring the specified tags: SPB, chromatin, and tubulin tagged as in Fig. 2 along with LacI-GFP; *lacO* arrays near *lys1<sup>+</sup>* and *cut3<sup>+</sup>* genes, respectively; Bqt1 is endogenously fused at its C terminus with GBP. Schematics on the right of each series show the expected prophase phenotype (NM outlined with a dashed blue line); numbering as in Fig. 1. Bars, 5  $\mu$ m. (B) *lys1<sup>+</sup>-lacO/I-GFP* meiocyte shows normal meiotic progression. (C) *lys1<sup>+</sup>-lacO/I-GFP bqt1-GBP* meiocyte shows successful recruitment of locus to the SPB while maintaining meiotic progression. (D and E) Equivalent to B and C but with *cut3<sup>+</sup>-lacO/I-GFP*. The data shown are from a single representative experiment out of more than three repeats.

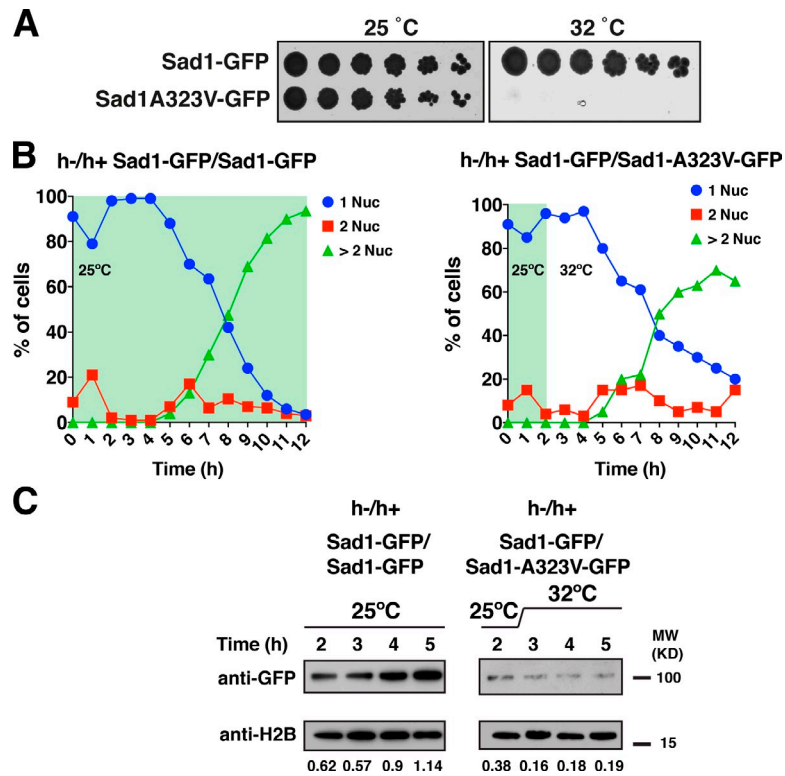


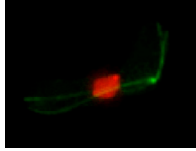
Figure S5. **Analysis of Sad1 protein levels in *sad1<sup>+</sup>/sad1-A323V* cells (supplement to Fig. 8).** (A) Serial dilutions (fivefold) of log-phase WT (Sad1-GFP) and cells harboring Sad1-A323V-GFP, grown on rich agar plates at 25 or 32°C, the nonpermissive temperature for Sad1-A323V. (B) Exponentially growing diploid cells harboring two endogenously tagged copies of Sad1-GFP or Sad1-GFP/Sad1-A323V-GFP were induced to undergo meiosis. Samples were taken every hour and stained with DAPI to assess meiotic progression; the percentage with indicated numbers of nuclei per cell (1 nucleus indicating prophase, 2 indicating MI, and >2 indicating MII) is shown for 200 cells at each time point. After 2 h of meiotic induction at 25°C, when the majority of cells had started prophase, the temperature was switched to 32°C. (C) Western blot analysis of samples from the experiments shown in B. Labels to the left indicate the antibodies used to probe the blots. Numbers below each row indicate relative Sad1-GFP intensity of each sample compared with the loading control (histone H2B). The data shown are from a single representative experiment out of three repeats.

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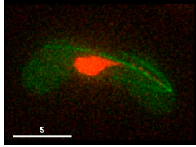
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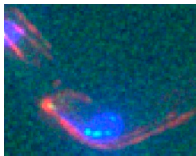
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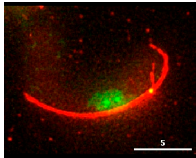
Video 1. ***bqt1Δ* cells with no contact show defective spindle formation.** A *bqt1Δ* meicyote harboring GFP-tagged tubulin and SPB and mRFP-tagged histone H3 (*h<sup>90</sup> Atb2-GFP Sid4-GFP Hht1-mRFP bqt1Δ*) was imaged by time-lapse microscopy at 27°C in an Environmental Chamber with a DeltaVision Spectris (Applied Precision) comprising a widefield inverted epifluorescence microscope (IX70; Olympus), a UPlanSapo 100× NA 1.4 oil immersion objective (Olympus), and a charge coupled device CoolSnap HQ camera (Photometrics). Images were acquired over 26 focal planes at a 0.35-μm step size with frames taken every 10 min for 7 h.



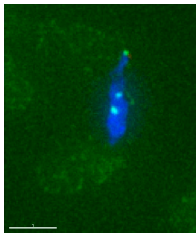
Video 2. ***bqt1Δ* cells with persistent (>30 min) chromatin–SPB contact show bipolar spindle formation.** A *bqt1Δ* meicyote (*h<sup>90</sup> Atb2-GFP Sid4-GFP Hht1-mRFP bqt1Δ*) was imaged by time-lapse microscopy at 27°C in an Environmental Chamber with a DeltaVision Spectris (Applied Precision) using the same settings as in Video 1.



Video 3. **In the majority of cases, chromatin–SPB contact is mediated by the centromere.** A *bqt1Δ* meicyote (*h<sup>90</sup> Atb2-mCherry Sid4-mCherry Hht1-CFP Mis6-GFP bqt1Δ*) was imaged by time-lapse microscopy at 27°C in an Environmental Chamber with a DeltaVision Spectris (Applied Precision) as described in Video 1.



Video 4. **Artificial maintenance of centromere–SPB contacts ensures bipolar spindle formation.** A *rap1Δ lig4Δ* meicyote (*h<sup>90</sup> Atb2-mCherry Sid4-mCherry Hht1-CFP Mis6-GFP rap1Δ lig4Δ Bqt1-GFP*) was imaged by time-lapse microscopy at 27°C as described in Video 1.



Video 5. **Loss of nuclear movement results in centromere–SPB contact throughout and bipolar spindle formation.** A *bqt1Δ dhc1Δ* meicyote (*h<sup>90</sup> Atb2-mCherry Sid4-mCherry Hht1-CFP Mis6-GFP bqt1Δ dhc1Δ*) was imaged by time-lapse microscopy. The microscope settings used are described in Video 1.

**A MATLAB script for the vector diagram of the range of contact lengths in individual cells shown in Fig. S1 is provided online.**