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Supplementary Figure 2: TDP-43 acetylation of a panel of ALS-associated TARDBP mutations

a) A schematic of the TDP-43 protein depicting the nuclear localization sequence (NLS), RNA-recognition motifs (RRMs), and C-terminal glycine-rich domain harboring the majority of the ALS-associated genetic mutations. b) Cells were cotransfected with Creb-binding protein (CBP) and the following cytoplasmic targeted expression plasmids: unmodified TDP-43- Δ NLS (positive control for acetylation), TDP-43-ΔNLS containing ALS-associated mutations (A90V, G294A, G295S, G298S, R361S), or TDP-43-ΔNLS containing 4FL RNA-binding deficient mutations in RRM1 and RRM2 (F147/149/229/231L). Cell lysates were evaluated bv immunoprecipitation and western analysis using an anti-acetyl-lysine antibody. There were no appreciable differences in TDP-43 acetylation status among the various mutants compared to TDP-43- Δ NLS.

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Supplementary Figure 2: Ion scores from acetylated Lys-145 and Lys-192 peptides identified from mass spectrometry analysis

(a-b) Acetylated peptides were identified by mass spectrometry analysis from immunoprecipitated TDP-43- Δ NLS protein. Listed in the table are the ion scores that correspond to the m/z spectrums obtained. The numbers listed in red bold illustrate statistical significance and the presence of acetylation at Lys-145 (a) andLys-192 (b). Mass spectrometry data were acquired with Xcaliber software (Thermo Fisher) and analyzed using PEAKS 6.0 (Bioinformatics Solutions Inc.) and Scaffold 3 software systems.

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Supplementary Figure 7: TDP-43 acetylation-mimics promote TDP-43 aggregation in differentiated Neuro2A cells

Neuro2A cells were transfected with cytoplasmic TDP-43 (TDP-43- Δ NLS), or plasmids containing acetylation mimic mutations (TDP-43- Δ NLS-K145Q or TDP-43- Δ NLS-K145/192Q) for 48 hrs followed by differentiation by serum deprivation for an additional 24 hrs to extend neuritic processes. Soluble (S) and insoluble (I) cell lysates were analyzed by immunoblotting using P-409/410, myc (9E10), and GAPDH antibodies. b) Differentiated Neuro2A cells expressing non-acetylated TDP-43 (left panel) showed limited P-409/410 immunoreactivity within neurites (dashed box region is shown at higher exposure within inset to avoid image over-exposure). In contrast, the acetylation-mimic mutants (right panel), displayed strong accumulation of P-409/410-positive TDP-43 aggregates near the cell soma and distally within neurites. See white arrows highlighting transfected cells containing myc-positive TDP-43 aggregates in both soma and neurites.



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Supplementary Figure 10: Characterization of an acetylated TDP-43 antibody (Ac-K145)

a-b) ELISA assays were performed with the indicated antibodies against chemically acetylated (a) or unmodified (b) Lys-145-containing peptides consisting of the following amino acid sequence: TGHSKGFGFVR. Shown is a representative ELISA assay from N=3 independent biological replicates, and error bars represent standard deviation (SD) among triplicate experimental samples. As shown, anti-acetyl-lysine and acetylated TDP-43 antibody (Ac-K145) specifically detected the Lys-K145 acetylated peptide, but not the unmodified peptide, indicating a site-specific acetylated TDP-43 antibody. c) Recombinant WT TDP-43 or TDP-2KR (K145/192R) proteins were incubated in an acetylation reaction lacking cofactor (mock), or containing 0.4 mM coenzyme A (coA) or acetyl coenzyme A (Ac-coA) in the presence of 0.5 μ g recombinant CBP for 1 hr at 37° followed by immunoblotting with Ac-K145. Acetylated WT TDP-43 protein was specifically detected by Ac-K145, while the TDP-2KR mutant protein showed diminished CBP-mediated acetylation.









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Supplementary Figure 15: Acetylated TDP-43 aggregates recruit the CHIP/Hsp70 complex

a) Double-labeling immunofluorescence microscopy illustrates that TDP-43 aggregates induced by either exposure to 0.2 mM arsenite for 1 hr (top rows) or acetylation-mimic mutations in the absence of stress (TDP-43- Δ NLS-K145Q, bottom row) are sufficient to recruit both CHIP and Hsp70 to cytoplasmic TDP-43 aggregated foci (see merged panels). Scale bar represents 25 µm. b) HDAC6-FLAG was immunoprecipitated followed by detection of myc-tagged cytoplasmic TDP-43 (TDP-43- Δ NLS) or endogenous CHIP, indicating an arsenite-inducible interaction between HDAC6 and TDP-43 that is independent of HDAC6 catalytic activity (compare lanes 2 and 3) (CD=catalytically-dead).



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