### **SUPPLEMENTARY**

Genetic analysis of L123 of the tRNA-mimicking eukaryote release factor eRF1, an amino acid residue critical for discrimination of stop codons

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**Figure S1.** Structural presentation of the position-123 residues in the various crystal structures of **eRF1 (aRF1).** The domain N of various eRF1s with relevant amino acid residues are shown using the previously reported apo- and complexed forms of eRF1/aRF1 (apo-form of *Aeropyrum pernix* aRF1 (pdb id:3AGK), aRF1 in an aEF1A-bound complex (pdb id:3VMF), apo-form of *Homo sapiens* eRF1 [pdb id: 1DT9], human eRF1 in an eRF3-bound complex [pdb id: 3E1Y]). In all structures, the position-123 residue is shown in purple, and residues that contain putative stop codon-binding pockets (T29, E52, V68, Y122, and C124, in *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* numbering) are shown in yellow. Structural models were rendered by MolFeat version 3.5 (Fiatlux, Tokyo).

**Figure S2.** Western blot analysis of cellular protein levels of Myc-tagged Sc-eRF1 wild type (WT) and L123 mutants. Protein expression levels of Myc-tagged Sc-eRF1 variants in the assay strain were monitored by western blot analysis using an anti-myc antibody (Sigma–Aldrich, St Louis, MO, USA). Cellular levels of endogenous PGK1 were monitored as loading control, using an anti-PGK antibody (Invitrogen, Carlsbad, CA, USA). Yeast transformant cells were collected and precipitated with 10% trichloroacetic acid, suspended in SDS sample buffer, neutralized with 5 N NaOH solution, and vigorously mixed with glass beads on the FastPrep 24 instrument (MP Biomedicals, Santa Ana, CA, USA). Proteins in the cell extracts were separated by SDS-PAGE, transferred to polyvinylidene fluoride membranes, and detected using the appropriate antibodies and an enhanced chemiluminescence western blot detection system (GE Healthcare, Little Chalfont, UK).

### Table S1 Yeast strains used in this study

Name	Genotype	Reference
S13-I01	MATa ura3-1 ade2-1 leu2-3,112 sal4-2 (eRF1ts) HO::kanMX-Rluc-[UAA]-Luc2	(49)
S13-I03	MATa ura3-1 ade2-1 leu2-3,112 sal4-2 (eRF1ts) HO::kanMX-Rluc-[UAG]-Luc2	(49)
S13-I05	MATa ura3-1 ade2-1 leu2-3,112 sal4-2 (eRF1ts) HO::kanMX-Rluc-[UGA]-Luc2	(49)
S13-I07	MATa ura3-1 ade2-1 leu2-3,112 sal4-2 (eRF1ts) HO::kanMX-Rluc-[UGG]-Luc2	(49)
S13-D09	MATα ade2Δ::hisG his3Δ200 leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 met15Δ0 trp1Δ63 ura3Δ0 tTA-tetO (YBR143C/SUP45)::hphMX4	(26)
Y138	MATα ade2Δ::hisG his3Δ200 leu2Δ0 lys2Δ0 met15Δ0 trp1Δ63 ura3Δ0 SUP35::HIS3 HO::tTA-tetO (YDR172W/SUP35):: kanMX4 tTA-tetO (YBR143C/SUP45)::hphMX4	(36)
SKY81	MATa ura3-1 ade2-1 leu2-3,112 sal4-2 (eRF1ts) HO::CaURA3-R luc-[UAA]-Luc2	This work
SKY82	MATa ura3-1 ade2-1 leu2-3,112 sal4-2 (eRF1ts) HO::CaURA3-Rluc-[UAG]-Luc2	This work
SKY83	MATa ura3-1 ade2-1 leu2-3,112 sal4-2 (eRF1ts) HO::CaURA3-Rluc-[UGA]-Luc2	This work
SKY84	MATa ura3-1 ade2-1 leu2-3,112 sal4-2 (eRF1ts) HO::CaURA3-Rluc-[UGG]-Luc2	This work
SKY106	MATα ura3-1 ade2-1 leu2-3,112 sal4-2 (eRF1ts) HO::kanMX-Rluc-[UAA]-Luc2 tTA-tetO-SUP35 (eRF3 <sup>+</sup> )	This work
SKY107	MATα ura3-1 ade2-1 leu2-3,112 sal4-2 (eRF1ts) HO::kanMX-Rluc-[UAG]-Luc2 tTA-tetO-SUP35 (eRF3 <sup>+</sup> )	This work
SKY108	MATα ura3-1 ade2-1 leu2-3,112 sal4-2 (eRF1ts) HO::kanMX-Rluc-[UGA]-Luc2 tTA-tetO-SUP35 (eRF3 <sup>+</sup> )	This work
SKY109	MATα ura3-1 ade2-1 leu2-3,112 sal4-2 (eRF1ts) HO::kanMX-Rluc-[UGG]-Luc2 tTA-tetO-SUP35 (eRF3 <sup>+</sup> )	This work

Name of Primers	Sequences	Restriction site (Underlined in sequence)	
Sc-eRF1N <sup>*1</sup>	5'-G <u>GGATCC</u> ATATGGATAACGAGGTTGAAAAA-3'	BamHI	
Sc-eRF1C <sup>*1</sup>	5'-GG <u>GTCGAC</u> TTAAATGAAATCATAGTCAGATCC-3'	SalI	
Hs-eRF1N	5'-G <u>GAATTC</u> CATATGGCGGACGACCCCAGTGC-3'	EcoRI	
Hs-eRF1C	5'-GG <u>GTCGAC</u> CTAGTAGTCATCAAGGTCAAAAAATTC-3'	SalI	
Hs-eRF3cN	5'-GG <u>GAATTC</u> CATATGATGGAGGAGGAAGAGGA-3'	EcoRI	
Hs-eRF3C	5'-GG <u>GTCGAC</u> TTAGTCTTTCTCTGGAACCAG-3'	SalI	

## Table S2Primers used for construction of yeast expression plasmids

\*1. "N" and "C" denotes the N- and C-terminal position of the open reading frame, respectively.

Sc-eRF1 Mutation	Rea	dthrough frequen	ncy <sup>*1</sup>
Wittation	UAA	UAG	UGA
Vector			
(p416GPD)	27.2%	24.6%	24.1%
WT	2.6%	2.6%	2.4%
L123I	3.9% (1.5) *2	3.5% (1.4)	14.4% (6.0)
L123V	2.6%	2.6%	7.7%
L123F	3.4%	3.7%	1.5%
L123A	4.8%	7.0%	2.4%
L123S	4.9%	6.7%	2.3%
L123T	3.3%	3.8%	3.9%
L123C	3.4%	3.8%	3.1%
L123M	3.1%	3.0%	3.1%
L123G	7.0%	7.2%	2.2%
L123D	7.5%	5.0%	3.7%
L123E	5.7%	4.7%	6.4%
L123N	5.0%	4.1%	2.6%
L123Q	4.4%	5.4%	3.4%
L123R	2.5%	3.2%	1.3%
L123K	2.7%	3.3%	1.6%
L123H	4.0%	3.1%	1.9%
L123Y	3.2%	3.4%	1.9%
L123W	4.0%	2.9%	3.0%
L123P	28.8%	27.7%	21.9%

Table S3Readthrough frequencies of comprehensive Sc-eRF1 L123 mutants.

\*1. Readthrough frequencies are indicated as mean from three independent measurements. The assay strains S13-I01, S13-I03, S13-I05, and S13-I07 (Table S5) were used.

\*2 Fold-changes to the wild type values are rounded to the first decimal place are shown in parentheses.

#### Table S4

## Summary of the readthrough frequencies of Hs-eRF1 L126 mutants under various conditions

Hs-eRF1 Mutation <sup>*1</sup>	Additional condition *2	Readt	hrough frequ	iency *3	Fold-change <sup>*6</sup>			
		UAA	UAG	UGA	UAA	UAG	UGA	
WT	Sc-eRF3 <sup>*4</sup>	5.0%	3.9%	5.2%	1.3	(1)	1.3	
	Hs-eRF3c <sup>*5</sup>	7.2%	4.9%	7.4%	1.5	(1)	1.5	
L126I	Sc-eRF3	5.5%	4.6%	11.2%	1.2	(1)	2.4*7	
	Hs-eRF3c	7.6%	6.2%	25.1%	1.2	(1)	4.1	
L126V	Sc-eRF3	6.1%	4.8%	10.0%	1.3	(1)	2.1	
	Hs-eRF3c	8.5%	6.2%	21.5%	1.4	(1)	3.4	
L126F	Sc-eRF3	6.8%	5.6%	5.3%	1.3	1.1	(1)	
	Hs-eRF3c	11.3%	8.2%	6.1%	1.9	1.4	(1)	
L126A	Sc-eRF3	25.4%	16.3%	10.8%	2.4	1.5	(1)	
	Hs-eRF3c	11.8%	11.2%	4.5%	2.6	2.5	(1)	
L126S	Sc-eRF3	9.3%	9.1%	4.0%	2.3	2.3	(1)	
	Hs-eRF3c	15.0%	15.0%	4.8%	3.1	3.1	(1)	

\*1. Wild type and mutant Hs-eRF1s were expressed from the p416GPD (URA3 marker) expression vector in the case of "with Sc-eRF3" or from the p415GPD (LEU2 marker) in the case of "Hs-eRF3c" and "+paromomycin (with Hs-eRF3c)".

\*2. The assay strains S13-I01, I03, I05, I07 (for additional condition; Sc-eRF3c), SKY106-109 (for additional condition; Hs-eRF3c), SKY143-146 (for additional condition; paromomycin) were used.

\*3. Readthrough frequencies are indicated as the mean from three independent measurements.

\*4. Sc-eRF3 is expressed from the endogenous wild type SUP35 gene in the strains S13-I01, I03, I05, and I07.

\*5. Hs-eRF3 is expressed from the p416GPD (URA3 marker) expression vector. The endogenous Sc-eRF3 is downregulated in the presence of tetracycline (150 mM).

\*6 Fold-changes to selected stop codon, shown as (1), are rounded to the first decimal place.

\*7. Values cited in Fig.3AB are shown in boldface.

Hs-eRF1 Mutation	Additional condition <sup>*2</sup>	Readth	rough frequ	Fo	Fold-change *6		
*1	Condition	UAA	UAG	UGA	UAA	UAG	UGA
T32A	Sc-eRF3 <sup>*4</sup>	20.4%	26.0%	12.8%	1.6	2.0	(1)
	Hs-eRF3c <sup>*5</sup>	26.7%	29.3%	18.0%	1.5	1.6	(1)
E55A	Sc-eRF3	7.1%	21.4%	11.4%	(1)	3.0	1.6
	Hs-eRF3c	10.1%	27.6%	17.3%	(1)	2.7	1.7
V71L	Sc-eRF3	17.7%	19.9%	41.9%	(1)	1.1	2.4
	Hs-eRF3c	21.4%	27.0%	49.9%	(1)	1.3	2.3
Y125F	Sc-eRF3	7.0%	17.6%	7.6%	(1)	2.5	1.1
	Hs-eRF3c	7.1%	20.8%	10.2%	(1)	2.9	1.4
C127A	Sc-eRF3	15.8%	15.9%	8.8%	1.8	1.8	(1)
	Hs-eRF3c	22.4%	19.7%	12.0%	1.9	1.6	(1)

Table S5Readthrough frequencies of Hs-eRF1 mutants other than L126

\*1. Wild type and mutant Hs-eRF1s were expressed from the p416GPD (URA3 marker) expression vector in the case of "Sc-eRF3" or from the p415GPD (LEU2 marker) in the case of "Hs-eRF3c" and "+paromomycin (with Hs-eRF3c)". See Table S2 for wild type Hs-eRF1

\*2. The assay strains S13-I01, I03, I05, I07 (for additional condition; Sc-eRF3c), SKY106-109 (for additional condition; Hs-eRF3c), SKY143-146 (for additional condition; paromomycin) were used.

\*3. Readthrough frequencies are indicated as the mean from three independent measurements.

\*4. Sc-eRF3 is expressed from the endogenous wild type SUP35 gene in the strains S13-I01, I03, I05, and I07.

\*5. Hs-eRF3 is expressed from the p416GPD (URA3 marker) expression vector. The endogenous Sc-eRF3 is downregulated in the presence of tetracycline (150 mM).

\*6 Fold-changes to selected stop codon, shown as (1), are rounded to the first decimal place.

\*7. Values cited in Fig.3CD are shown in boldface.

eRF1 Mutation *1	Additional condition <sup>*1</sup>	Readthrough frequency <sup>*2</sup>			Fold-change *3			
		UAA	UAG	UGA	UAA	UAG	UGA	
WT	(-paromomycin)	(2.6%)	(2.6%)	(2.4%)	(1)	1.0	0.9	
	+paromomycin	11.0%	13.7%	12.2%	(1)	1.3	1.1	
L123I	(-paromomycin)	(3.9%)	(3.5%)	(14.4%)	1.1	(1)	3.7	
	+paromomycin	19.8%	21.3%	50.7%	(1)	1.1	2.6	
L123V	(-paromomycin)	(2.6%)	(2.6%)	(7.7%)	(1)	1.0	3.0	
	+paromomycin	20.0%	23.0%	43.6%	(1)	1.2	2.2	
L123F	(-paromomycin)	(3.4%)	(3.7%)	(1.5%)	2.3	2.5	(1)	
	+paromomycin	13.9%	22.6%	6.2%	2.2	3.6	(1)	
L123A	(-paromomycin)	(4.8%)	(7.0%)	(2.4%)	2.0	2.9	(1)	
	+paromomycin	13.3%	29.9%	6.8%	2.0	4.4	(1)	
L123S	(-paromomycin)	(4.9%)	(6.7%)	(2.3%)	2.1	2.9	(1)	
	+paromomycin	11.9%	27.1%	7.3%	1.6	3.7	(1)	

# Table S6Readthrough frequencies of selected Sc-eRF1 L123 mutants

\*1. "-paromomycin": The readthrough frequency data (parenthesized) was cited from Table S1. "-paromomycin": The assay strains SKY81, SKY82, SKY83 and SKY84 harboring either the wild type or mutant Ss-eRF1 expression vectors based on the p415GPD (LEU2 marker) in the presence of paromomycin (+paromomycin [10 mg/ml]).

\*2. Readthrough frequencies are indicated as the mean from three independent measurements.

\*3 Fold-changes to selected stop codon, shown as (1), are rounded to the first decimal place.

\*4. Values cited in Fig.3 are shown in boldface.

Figure S1









apo-A. pernix aRF1 (3AGK)

aEF1α bound A. pernix aRF1 (3VMF)

apo-Human eRF1 (1DT9)

eRF3 bound human eRF1 (3E1Y)

Figure S2

