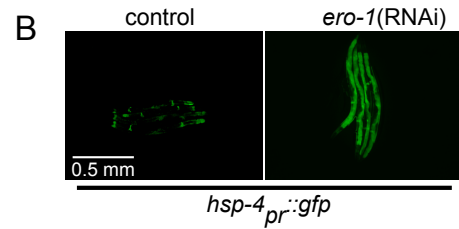


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Family	Protein	BLAST score	Mitoprot Score
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	CEBPE	15.8	1
DDIT3	DDIT3	17.7	10
CREB	ATF1	18.9	11
	CREB-1	15.0	2
	CREM	25.4	4
OASISA	CREB3	30.4	0
	CREB3L3	38.1	0
	CREB3L4	17.3	0.4
OASISB	CREB3L1	22.7	0.7
ATF6	ATF6	25.0	0.7
	ATF6B	28.9	6
CREBZF	CREBZF	21.9	35
XBP1	XBP1	31.2	0.3
NFIL3	NFIL3	19.2	0.3
ATF2	ATF2	27.7	19
	ATF7	31.6	4.5
	CREB5	31.2	6
JUN	JUN	33.1	18
	JUNB	16.5	15
	JUND	31.6	4
FOS	FOS	20.8	3
	FOSB	15.4	11
	FOSL1	18.5	9
	FOSL2	18.5	7
ATF3	ATF-3	21.9	1
	JDP2	20.8	3
ATF4	ATF-4	42.0	12
	ATF-5	40.0	30
B-ATF	B-ATF	25.4	8.6
	B-ATF2	21.2	0
	B-ATF3	28.1	18
PAR	DBP	18.9	56
	HLF	21.9	10
	TEF	30.0	1
SMAF	MAFF	23.9	6
	MAFG	13.1	3
LMAF	MAFB	23.1	5
	MAF	23.9	3
	MAFA	NS	1
	NRL	NS	2
NFE2	NFE2-p45	25.0	20
	NFE2L1	25.0	10
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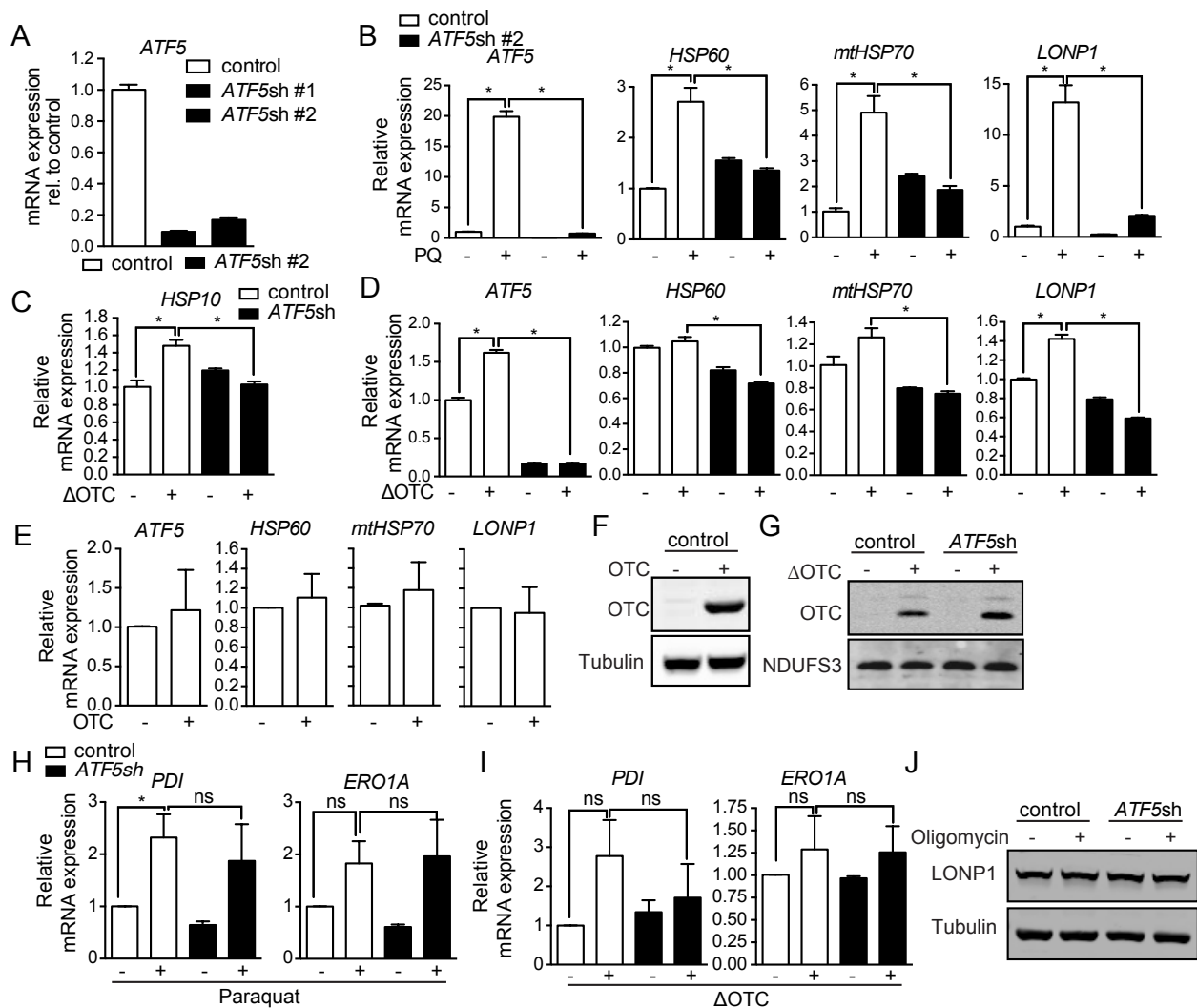


**Figure S1, related to Figure 1**

**ATF5 has the highest homology to ATFS-1 and contains a putative mitochondrial targeting sequence.**

(A) Table of bZip proteins with each protein's Mitoprot II and BLAST score. Mitoprot II score is the percentage likelihood of import into mitochondria.

(B) Photomicrographs of *hsp-4<sub>pr</sub>::gfp* treated with control or *ero-1*(RNAi). Scale bar, 0.5 mm.



**Figure S2, related to Figure 2**

**ATF5 depletion shows ATF5 is required for UPR<sup>mt</sup> gene expression in response to stress.**

(A) Expression levels of *ATF5* mRNA in HEK 293T cells treated with vector shRNA, *ATF5* shRNA #1, or *ATF5* shRNA #2 (see Experimental Procedures) (n=3, mean  $\pm$  SEM, \*p<0.05).

(B) Expression levels of *ATF5*, *HSP60*, *mtHSP70* and *LONP1* mRNA in control or *ATF5* shRNA #2 HEK 293T cells with or without paraquat (PQ) (n=3, mean  $\pm$  SEM, p<0.05,).

(C) Expression levels of *HSP10* mRNA in control or *ATF5* shRNA #1 HEK 293T with or without  $\Delta$ OTC expression (n=3, mean  $\pm$  SEM \*p<0.05).

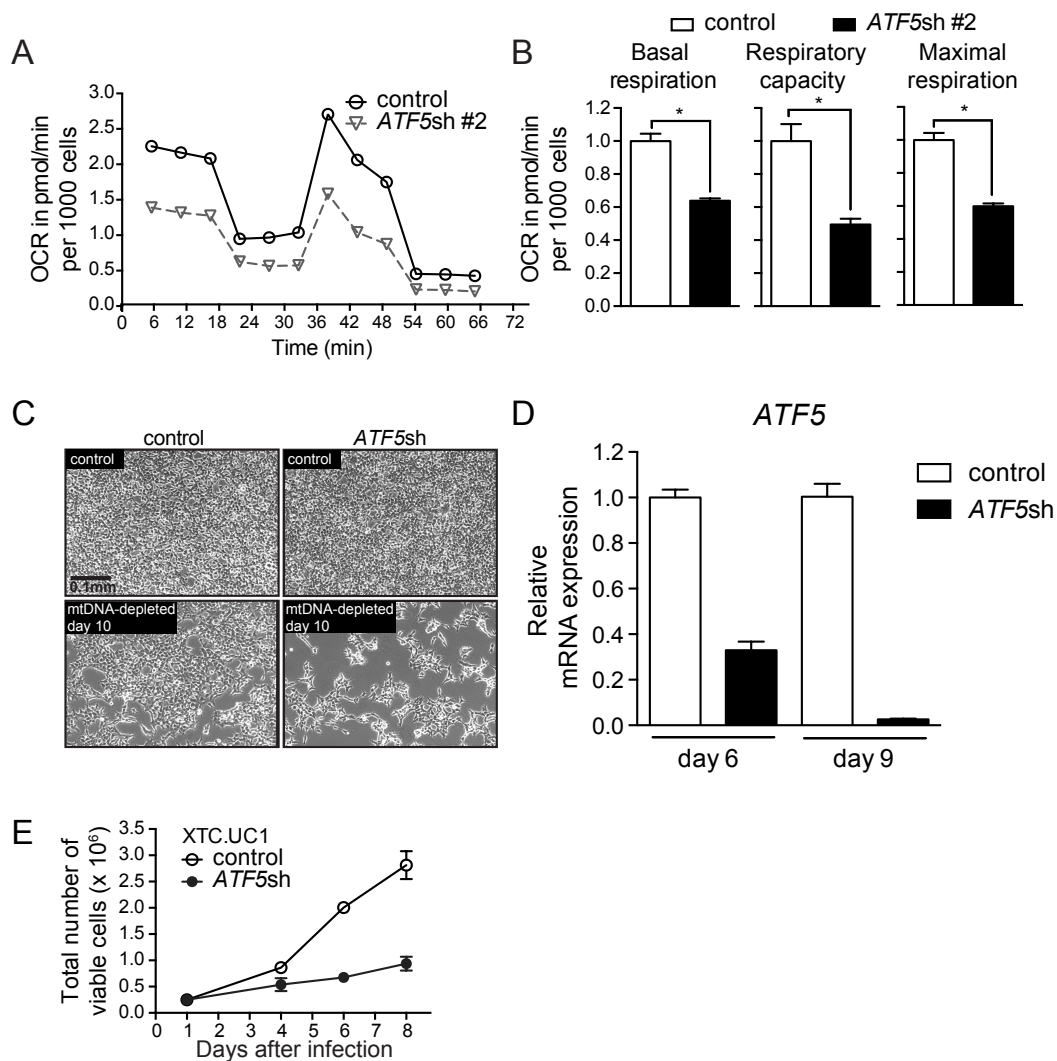
(D) Expression levels of *ATF5*, *HSP60*, *mtHSP70* and *LONP1* mRNA in control or *ATF5* shRNA #2 HEK 293T cells with or without  $\Delta$ OTC expression (n=3, mean  $\pm$  SEM, p<0.05,).

(E) Expression levels of *ATF5*, *HSP60*, *mtHSP70*, and *LONP1* mRNA in HEK 293T cells with or without OTC expression (n=2 combined experiments, mean  $\pm$  SEM, p<0.05).

(F-G) Immunoblots from control or *ATF5* shRNA HEK293T cell lysates with or without OTC (F), or  $\Delta$ OTC (G) expression.

(H-I) Expression levels of *PDI*, and *ERO1A* mRNA in control or *ATF5* shRNA HEK293T cells treated with either (H) PQ, or (I) expressing  $\Delta$ OTC (n=3 combined experiments, mean  $\pm$  SEM, \*p<0.05).

(J) Immunoblots from control or *ATF5* shRNA HEK293T cells with or without oligomycin treatment.



**Figure S3, related to Figure 4**

**ATF5 promotes survival and recovery from mitochondrial stress.**

(A-B) Oxygen consumption rates (OCR) of control or *ATF5* shRNA #2 HEK 293T cells (n=15 (control) and n=16 (*ATF5*sh), mean  $\pm$  SEM, \*p<0.05).

(C) Photomicrographs of control and *ATF5* shRNA HEK 293T cells following 6 days of mtDNA depletion by EtBr treatment. The cells were imaged 4 days after removal of EtBr. Scale bar, 0.1 mm.

(D) Expression levels of *ATF5* mRNA in control or *ATF5* shRNA HEK293T cells following 6 days of mtDNA depletion by EtBr treatment (n=3, mean  $\pm$  SEM).

(E) Growth curve of control or *ATF5* shRNA XTC.UC1 cells (n=2, mean  $\pm$  SEM).

## SUPPLEMENTAL EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURES

### Worm strains and plasmids

The reporter strains *hsp-60<sub>pr</sub>::gfp(zcls9)V*, *hsp-4<sub>pr</sub>::gfp(zcls4)V*, *atfs-1(tm4525)V* and *hsp-60<sub>pr</sub>::gfp* and RNAi feeding conditions have been described previously [S1-3]. Induction of *hsp-4<sub>pr</sub>::gfp* by heat shock was performed as in [S4]. Briefly, *hsp-4<sub>pr</sub>::gfp* was incubated at 30°C for 1 hour to induce heat shock, then imaged.

To generate the *hsp-16<sub>pr</sub>::ATF5* expression plasmid, *ATF5* cDNA was amplified and ligated into the *hsp-16<sub>pr</sub>::atfs-1* plasmid replacing *atfs-1* [S1]. Generation of *hsp-16<sub>pr</sub>::ATF4* was achieved by amplifying *ATF4* cDNA and ligating into *hsp-16<sub>pr</sub>::ATF5* plasmid, replacing *ATF5*. The transgenic *C. elegans* lines were generated by co-injecting either the *hsp-16<sub>pr</sub>::ATF5* or *hsp-16<sub>pr</sub>::ATF4* plasmid (25 ng/μl) with a *myo-3<sub>pr</sub>::mCherry* (60 ng/μl) marker plasmid, and pBluescript (65 ng/μl) into *hsp-60<sub>pr</sub>::gfp; atfs-1(tm4525)* generating multiple stable extra-chromosomal arrays. The *hsp-16<sub>pr</sub>::ATF5* transgene was crossed into the described reporter worms. The *myo-3<sub>pr</sub>::ΔOTC* plasmid was generated by amplifying ΔOTC [S5] and ligating it into the *myo-3<sub>pr</sub>::mCherry::ubl-5* plasmid by replacing the *ubl-5* open reading frame. The ATF5::GFP mammalian expression plasmid was generated by amplifying *ATF5* cDNA and ligating into the EGFP-N1 plasmid (Clontech). All plasmids were confirmed by sequencing.

### Cell culture and plasmids

HeLa and HEK 293T cells were cultured in DMEM supplemented with 10 % FBS, 10 mM HEPES, 2 mM L-glutamine, 100 U/ml penicillin/100 μg/ml streptomycin. *ATF5*-knockdown cells were generated through lentiviral-driven gene silencing using two different shRNAs (*ATF5sh* #1(Thermo Scientific): 5'-AAGTCTTCCATCTGTTCCAGC-3'; *ATF5sh* #2(Sigma): 5'-TGTCTTGGATACTCTGGACTT-3') expressed by the pLKO.1 vector, while pLKO.1 was used as a control (Sigma). To induce mitochondrial stress, cells were either transfected with ΔOTC plasmid [S5], or treated with 400 μM paraquat for 48 hours unless stated otherwise. Treatment of HEK 293T cells with antimycin (Sigma), piericidin (Santa Cruz), and/or oligomycin (Sigma) was for 24 hours before collecting cells for qPCR as described below. Cellular doubling times were calculated as described [S6].

### RNA Isolation, qRT-PCR and Western Blots

Total RNA was isolated using RNA Stat-60 (amsbio) or RNEasy Plus Mini-Kit (Qiagen). cDNA synthesis and qPCR was performed as described [S7] using the following primers: *ATF5* forward 5'-CTGGCTCCCTATGAGGTCCTTG-3' and reverse 5'-GAGCTGTGAAATCAACTCGCTCAG-3'; *HSP60* forward 5'-GATGCTGTGGCCGTTACAATG-3' and reverse 5'-GTCAATTGACTTTGCAACAGTCACAC-3'; *mtHSP70* forward 5'-CAAGCGACAGGCTGTCACCAAC-3' and reverse 5'-CAACCCAGGCATCACCATTGG-3'; *LONP1* forward 5'-CATTGCCTTGAACCCTCTC-3' and reverse 5'-ATGTCGCTCAGGTAGATGG-3'; *HD-5* forward 5'-ACCTTGCTATCTCCTTTCAGG-3' and reverse 5'-CGGTTCCGCAATAGCAGGTG-3'; *HSP10* forward 5'-TGGCAGGACAAGCGTTTAG-3' and reverse 5'-GGTTACAGTTTCAGCAGCAC-3'; *PDI* forward 5'-TGAGAACATCGTCATCGCC-3' and reverse 5'-CGTTCCTCCGTTGTAATCAATG-3'; *ERO1A* forward 5'-CAAGGGACAAGTGAAGAGAAC-3' and reverse 5'-CCCCATTTCTTTTCTAACCAG-3'. And, *HPRT* forward 5'-CTTTGCTGACCTGCTGGATT-3' and reverse 5'-TCCCCTGTTGACTGGTCATT-3' was used as a reference gene.

SDS-Page, western blots and mouse liver sucrose fractionation were performed as described [S1, 8] using the following antibodies: OTC (Santa Cruz), Tubulin (Santa Cruz) NDUFS3 (Abcam), GFP (Roche), ATF5 [S9], and KDEL (Stressgen) and imaged on an Odyssey infrared imager (LI-COR).

### Microscopy

HeLa cells were transfected using Lipofectamine 2000 (Life Technologies) with 1 μg of GFP, Histone 2B::GFP, or ATF5::GFP expressing plasmids. The cells were treated with 10 μM MG-132 for 6 hours, stained with MitoTracker Red FM (Life) for 30 minutes prior to fixation with 4% paraformaldehyde (Fisher Chemicals) and incubated with primary GFP antibody (Roche) followed by incubation with secondary antibody AlexaFluor488 (Life). Samples were imaged on a Nikon Eclipse Ti.

*C. elegans* images were acquired as previously described [S1].

### Respiration Analysis

Oxygen consumption was measured using a Seahorse Extracellular Flux Analyzer XF<sup>96</sup> as described [S10]. Analysis plates were coated with Corning Cell-Tak. 64,000 cells were seeded per well in 30 μl of XF-Media by centrifugation. After a 25 minute incubation at 37°C in an incubator w/o CO<sub>2</sub>, 145 μl of XF-Media was added to each well followed by another incubation period of 20 minutes, and then the plates were subjected to analysis using 1 μM oligomycin, 500 nM FCCP and 1 μM rotenone/antimycin as indicated. Data were normalized to cell number.

**mtDNA Content**

DNA was extracted from  $2 \times 10^6$  cells using phenol/chlorophorm/isoamyl alcohol (25:24:1) [S11] and mtDNA quantitation by qPCR was performed as described [S12] using the following primers: mtDNA 16S rRNA forward 5'-GCCTTCCCCCGTAAATGATA-3' and reverse 5'-TTATGCGATTACCGGGCTCT-3'; nDNA  $\beta$ 2-M forward 5'-TGCTGTCTCCATGTTTGATGTATCT-3' and reverse 5'-TCTCTGCTCCCCACCTCTAAGT-3'.

**Bioinformatics**

Promoter search was performed using the Signal Search Analysis Server program FindM using the UPR<sup>mt</sup> Element previously described [S2]. BLAST analysis against the whole sequence of ATFS-1 was done using the BLASTP 2.3.1+ program [S13].

**Statistics**

Unless stated otherwise, experiments were performed at least three times, or in triplicates and expressed as mean  $\pm$  SEM. Bar graphs of qPCR and Seahorse data show one representative experiment. Group differences were assayed using two-tailed Student's t test. Significance was considered when  $p \leq 0.05$ . Pearson correlation coefficient was performed as described in [S14].

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